To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
Submitted by: Teresa Berkeley-Simmons, Budget Manager
Subject: Contract: Downtown Berkeley YMCA for Fitness Center Memberships for City Employees

RECOMMENDATION
Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments with the Downtown Berkeley YMCA in the amount of $224,064 for fitness center memberships for City employees and Legislative Assistants for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION
FY 2020 Contract Cost: $224,064 (389 members @ $48 per month * 12 months)
FY 2019 Contract Cost: $221,184 (384 members @ $48 per month * 12 months)

The FY 2020 contract represents an increase of $2,880 from the FY 2019 contract. The increase is due to the number of memberships increasing from 384 members to 389 members. Although the contract cost of $224,064 for FY 2020 is based on 389 memberships, this amount is a flat fee for the duration of the fiscal year regardless of whether memberships increase or decrease during the fiscal year. The FY 2020 Budget includes funding for this contract in fringe benefit accounts in department budgets that is collected and paid out from the Payroll Deduction Trust Fund. The General Fund will cover approximately $108,374 of the contract cost and the remaining $115,690 will be covered by other funds.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS
The current agreement began on July 1, 2018 and ends on June 30, 2019. A new contract is needed for FY 2020, which will continue the memberships for City employees and Legislative Assistants at a low cost.

BACKGROUND
Since 1989, the City has had an agreement with the YMCA to provide low cost fitness memberships for City employees and officials.

The City’s labor contracts require the City to pay 75% of the total membership cost and employees pay the remaining 25%. Beginning on July 1, 2018, the full membership...
cost was $64 per month, which meant the City’s share was $48 per month and the 
employee’s share was $16 per month. For FY 2020, the membership cost will remain at 
$64 per month.

This benefit is included in all of the collective bargaining agreements and would 
terminate at the same time as the longest union contract containing the benefit. The 
City would need to hold meet and confer sessions with the unions if it wishes to 
eliminate this benefit.

The Downtown Berkeley YMCA contract is a Strategic Plan Priority, advancing our goal 
to attract and retain a talented and diverse City government workforce.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
There are no identifiable environmental impacts or opportunities associated with the 
subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION
City contracts for personal services over $50,000 require authorization from the City 
Council before the City Manager can execute the contract.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED
None

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Attachments:
1: Resolution
RESOLUTION NO. ##.###-N.S.

CONTRACT: DOWNTOWN BERKELEY YMCA FOR LOW COST FITNESS CENTER MEMBERSHIPS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, the City has had an agreement with the Downtown Berkeley YMCA to provide low cost fitness memberships for City employees and legislative assistants; and

WHEREAS, the City’s labor contracts require the City to pay 75 percent of the total membership cost; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement began on July 1, 2018 and ends on June 30, 2019 and a new contract is proposed for FY 2020; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2020 Budget includes funding for this contract in fringe benefit accounts in department budgets that is collected and paid out from the Payroll Deduction Trust Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract and any amendments with the Downtown Berkeley YMCA for low cost fitness center memberships for City of Berkeley employees and legislative assistants for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 in the amount not to exceed $224,064. A record signature copy of said contract and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.