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**Subject:** 7/19 Budget & Finance: DPH Retroactive Item  
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Good morning Supervisors Chan, Mandelman and Safai,

The Department of Public Health (DPH) will request approval for one (1) retroactive item at the July 19<sup>th</sup> Budget & Finance Committee meeting. We've provided a brief description of the item and our DPH representative. Please let us know if you have any questions.

**File no. 230774 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Health Resources and Services**

**Administration - Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A and B - \$7,223,161** - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant increase in the amount of \$2,555,761 for a total amount of \$7,223,161 from the Health Resources and Services Administration for participation in a program, entitled "Ending The Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Epidemic: A Plan for America - Ryan White Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) Program Parts A and B," for the period of March 1, 2020, through February 28, 2024.

- **Description:** The goals of the Ending the HIV Epidemic (ETHE) funding is very similar to that of our local Getting to Zero campaign: to reduce new HIV infections to zero and to increase Viral Load Suppression and to address and remove health disparities among communities who may experience these. HIV Health Services focused our application and the allocated funding from our grant award to program that would address health disparities and improve viral load suppression overall, but most particularly focusing on the following target populations living with HIV: transgender women (particularly transgender women of color), persons experiencing homelessness, persons who inject drugs, African American clients, Latinx clients, and persons experiencing incarceration.
- **Reason for Retroactive Request:** DPH received the notice of award on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for a grant increase in the amount of \$2,555,761. The grant start date was predetermined by the grantor as March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Upon receiving the grant increase notification, DPH prepared the budget. The grant documents were forwarded to the Controller's Office for review on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Once the review was complete, the grant accept and expend legislation was forwarded to the Mayor's Office on June 13<sup>th</sup> for introduction on June 27<sup>th</sup>. We respectfully request approval to retroactively accept and expend this grant increase.
- **DPH Representative:** Bill Blum | Director of Programs, Primary Care; Director, HIV Health Services, Department of Public Health | email: [bill.blum@sfdph.org](mailto:bill.blum@sfdph.org)

Thank you for your time and consideration.  
Best, Ana

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