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Hello Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The Department of Public Health (DPH) will request approval for four (4) retroactive items at the January 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Supervisors meeting. We'd like to provide you with brief background information and reason for retroactivity prior to the meeting. Please see below for a description of the item and our DPH representatives who may be contacted should you have any questions.

**Agenda item #21 – File no. 221185 – Contract Amendment – Retroactive – Progress Foundation – Behavioral Health Services – Not to Exceed \$221,847,999** – Resolution retroactively approving Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Progress Foundation and the Department of Public Health (DPH), for behavioral health services; to increase the Agreement by \$127,324,481 for an amount not to exceed \$221,847,999; to extend the term by five years, from December 31, 2022, for a total Agreement term of July 1, 2018, through December 31, 2027; and to authorize DPH to enter into amendments or modifications to the contract prior to its final execution by all parties that do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities to the City and are necessary to effectuate the purposes of the contract or this Resolution.

- **Description:** Under the contract, Progress Foundation provides the following services: (1) Acute Diversion Units; (2) Transitional Residential Treatment Programs; (3) Seniors Programs; (4) Supportive Living Programs; (5) Dore Urgent Care Clinic.
- **Reason for Retroactive Request:** The proposed resolution was submitted on November 17<sup>th</sup> for introduction on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Due to the holidays and winter recess, this item was not able to be presented before the end of the year, resulting in this item becoming retroactive. We respectfully request retroactive approval for this contract amendment.
- **DPH Representative:** Maximilian Rocha | Director of Systems of Care, Behavioral Health Services, Department of Public Health | email: [Maximilian.Rocha@sfdph.org](mailto:Maximilian.Rocha@sfdph.org)

**Agenda item #22 – File no. 221194 - Contract Agreement - Retroactive - San Francisco AIDS Foundation - Health Access Point Services - Not to Exceed \$11,886,595** - Resolution retroactively approving an original contract agreement between the San Francisco AIDS Foundation and the Department of Public Health (DPH), to provide Health Access Point services in an amount not to exceed \$11,886,595 for a total initial contract term of January 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026, and to authorize DPH to enter into amendments or modifications to the contract prior to its final execution by all parties that do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities to the City and are necessary to effectuate the purposes of the contract or this Resolution.

- **Description:** Under this contract, SF AIDS Foundation would provide Health Access Point (HAP) services for men who have sex with men (MSM). HAP services include HIV, HCV and STD testing, STD treatment medication, case management, support groups, and navigation services. In addition, the AIDS Foundation will provide lab testing and capacity building for

other HAPs.

- **Reason for Retroactive Request:** The proposed resolution was submitted on November 22<sup>nd</sup> for introduction on December 6<sup>th</sup>. Due to the holidays and winter recess, this item was not able to be presented before the first of this year, resulting in this item becoming retroactive. We respectfully request retroactive approval for this contract.
- **DPH Representative:** Nikole Trainor | Budget, Contract and Communication Manager, Department of Public Health | email: [Nikole.Trainor@sfdph.org](mailto:Nikole.Trainor@sfdph.org)

**Agenda item #23 – File no. 221203 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - National Institutes of Health - Brief Longitudinal Incident Sentinel Surveillance (BLISS) to End the HIV Epidemic Among Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID) - \$178,137** - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$178,137 from the National Institutes of Health for participation in a program, entitled “Brief Longitudinal Incident Sentinel Surveillance (BLISS) to End the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Epidemic among Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID),” for the period of August 15, 2022, through July 31, 2023.

- **Description:** This grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) provides funding for a new epidemiological data system in Alameda and San Francisco counties called Brief Longitudinal Incident Sentinel Surveillance (BLISS) to End the HIV Epidemic among persons who inject drugs (PWID). BLISS data will help identify and avert outbreaks, micro-target interventions, prioritize those at highest risk, fill unmet care and prevention needs, and help end the HIV epidemic.
- **Reason for Retroactive Request:** DPH received the award on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, for a program start date of August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The program start date was pre-determined by the grantor. Upon receiving the award agreement, DPH worked to prepare the budget and legislative packet. The accept and expend packet was sent to the Controller’s Office for review on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Once the review was completed, the legislation was forwarded to the Mayor’s Office on November 17<sup>th</sup> for introduction on November 29<sup>th</sup>. We respectfully request approval to retroactively accept and expend this grant.
- **DPH Representative:** Erin Wilson | Senior Research Scientist, Center for Public Health Research, Department of Public Health | email: [Erin.Wilson@sfdph.org](mailto:Erin.Wilson@sfdph.org)

**Agenda item #24 – File no. 221248 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Office of Refugee Health - Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP) - Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022-23 Award Number 22-38-90899-00 - \$324,061** - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$324,061 from the Office of Refugee Health through the California Department of Public Health for participation in a program, entitled “Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP) - Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022-23 Award Number 22-38-90899-00,” for the period of October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.

- **Description:** This grant from the Office of Refugee Health (ORH) through the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) provides funding for DPH to participate in the Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP). Funding is used to help ensure that arriving refugees, arriving asylees, special immigrant visa holders, Cuban/Haitian entrants, federal-certified victims of human trafficking, Afghan and Ukrainian humanitarian parolees, and other eligible entrants start the health assessment process. The health assessment process also includes

scheduled immunization and referrals to health care providers for identified health conditions.

- **Reason for Retroactive Request:** DPH received the award on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, for a program start date of the same date. The program start date was pre-determined by the grantor. Upon receiving the award agreement, DPH worked to prepare the budget and legislative packet. DPH sent the packet for review by the Controller's Office on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Once the Controller's review was final, the legislation was sent to the Mayor's Office on November 22<sup>nd</sup> for introduction on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. We respectfully request approval to retroactively accept and expend this grant.
- **DPH Representative:** Cristy Dieterich | Program Manager for Community Health Equity & Promotion (CHEP), Department of Public Health | email: [Cristy.Dieterich@sfdph.org](mailto:Cristy.Dieterich@sfdph.org)

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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