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Subject: 7/1 Government Audit & Oversight: DPH Retroactive Item
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Hello Supervisors Preston, Chan and Mandelman,

The Department of Public Health (DPH) will request approval for one (1) retroactive item at the July 1st Government Audit & Oversight Committee meeting. Please see below for a brief description of the item and our DPH representative who may be contacted should you have any questions.

Agenda item #4 – File no. 210720 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - PS20-2010: Integrated Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States - \$2,740,288 -

Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$2,740,288 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for participation in a program, entitled “PS20-2010: Integrated Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States,” for the period of August 1, 2020, through July 31, 2021.

- **Description:** San Francisco has implemented a data-driven high impact prevention strategy over the last decade, and HIV surveillance has shown significant reductions in new HIV diagnoses and increasing linkage to care and number of people living with HIV who are virally suppressed. While SF’s progress is encouraging, some communities experience significant and persistent disparities in HIV associated indicators. DPH will take steps to improve focus and responsiveness to the specific needs of communities of color and PEH, while maintaining existing focus on high prevalence populations. Through SF’s Component A proposal, DPH will (1) address overlapping vulnerabilities, health disparities and inequities and (2) use a community- and person-centered approach, integrated strategies, status-neutral services, and disruptive innovation to increase access to treatment and prevention, address the root causes, and to keep up with the changing times. DPH’s Component C proposal will address more timely identification of HIV status, increasing capacity through expansion of express visits, and reducing HIV disparities by increasing the proportion of patients who are most vulnerable to HIV. This grant does not require an ASO amendment.
- **Reason for Retroactivity:** We are respectfully requesting retroactive approval to accept and expend this grant. DPH received the revised award agreement on October 30, 2020 for a project start date of August 1, 2020.
- **DPH Representatives:**
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Thank you for your time and consideration,
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