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Renovation of Martin Luther King, Jr. Pediatric Hub Modular Units Located on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Campus

Medical foster care hubs play a critical role in the effort to provide a system of care for every detained child or child at risk of detention in Los Angeles County (County). Six County medical hubs ensure access to quality health and mental health evaluations and services, as well as care coordination and linkages to specialty care for children in the child welfare system.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Pediatric Hub (MLK Hub) is currently located at 1721 East 120th Street, Los Angeles, on the MLK Medical Campus in three modular units built in 1974. The units are more than forty years old and are in poor condition. In the short term, these facilities require cosmetic and other minor renovations until a plan is adopted to permanently relocate this facility.

The Department of Health Services, the Department of Child and Family Services, and other related County departments are currently evaluating the feasibility of a permanent relocation of the MLK Hub within the former but now closed MLK hospital facility, however those renovations are not anticipated to be completed for approximately three years at the earliest, and the improvements proposed are critical in the interim for ensuring the safety of County staff and quality of experience for the young patients (and their caregivers) receiving services at the MLK Hub.

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The MLK Health and Wellness Community Development Corporation (MLK CDC) is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization established in August of 2016 to help revitalize the MLK Medical Campus. MLK CDC has developed a plan, in coordination with the MLK Medical Campus facilities management and leadership from the MLK Hub, to make needed cosmetic renovations to the existing MLK Hub facilities. The MLK CDC has offered to contribute the funding needed for the proposed cosmetic renovations, estimated at approximately \$175,000, and directly hire and supervise the contractors needed to properly perform the work. MLK CDC proposes to perform the work in such a manner that will minimize disruption to patient care. These renovations will help transform the dilapidated modular units into a more appropriate and welcoming setting to serve vulnerable foster youth and their caretakers.

The MLK CDC's contributions will be at no cost to the County, however, in exchange for these contributions, the County will provide access to the modular units free of charge to MLK CDC, its employees, contractors, suppliers and agents to enable the work to be completed.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Find that the cosmetic renovation of the three modular units at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Pediatric Hub (MLK Hub) is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Section 15302 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 2 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves renovation of existing facilities.
2. Accept the donation, with thanks, from the MLK Health and Wellness Community Development Corporation (MLK CDC) in the form of cosmetic renovations to the MLK Hub in the approximate amount of \$175,000.
3. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or her designee, to negotiate and execute, and if necessary, amend or terminate for convenience, all necessary access agreements, on a gratis basis, with the MLK CDC for

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construction activities associated with the renovation of the three modular units for the MLK Hub, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.

4. Authorize the CEO, or her designee, to negotiate and execute other ancillary documentation, approved as to form by County Counsel, necessary to effectuate the renovation of the MLK Hub modular units, and to take other actions necessary and appropriate to effectuate such renovations.
5. Instruct the CEO to send a letter of appreciation to the MLK CDC acknowledging its donation in the approximate amount of \$175,000, following completion and acceptance of the cosmetic renovations.

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