



Administrative Report

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Meeting Date: 5/5/2026

To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

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TITLE

APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH HOUSING, EMPOWERMENT, RECOVERY AND OUTREACH (HERO) COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ADD GRANT SUPPORT SERVICES AND RELATED DUTIES FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$6,000

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On October 7, 2025, the Mayor and City Council approved a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Housing, Empowerment, Recovery and Outreach (HERO) Community Services for consultation services to our Alternative Crisis Response (ACR) Pilot Program to address mental health in the community. At the Strategic Planning Session on March 31, 2026, the Mayor and City Council included in the Strategic Plan, to be adopted by the City Council, direction to staff to search for grant funding to continue the City's ACR program. The City Attorney's Office is now applying to the California Commission for Behavioral Health (CBH) for a grant from the Innovation Partnership Fund. However, the Quality of Life Prosecutor needs assistance from someone experienced in applying to behavioral health grants. Staff recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve the amendment to the MOU to add grant support services and related duties from HERO.

BACKGROUND

If the Mayor and City Council adopt the resolution on the City Council agenda to direct staff to apply for the Innovation Partnership Fund, the City Attorney's Office will need assistance to complete the application. While the Quality of Life Prosecutor has taken on the majority of the twelve required attachments, a behavioral health provider with grant application experience in this field can help strengthen Redondo's proposal and improve its competitiveness. HERO has the experience and background applying to such grants. HERO will charge the same hourly fee the City is currently paying for its consultation services. The grant application due date is May 8, so it is not likely that too many hours will be required from HERO to complete the application.

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the amendment with HERO to add grant support services and related duties.

COORDINATION

The City Attorney's Office coordinated with HERO in connection with the preparation of this report.

FISCAL IMPACT

HERO's hourly rate for grant related services will be funded by the general fund. If the City is awarded the grant, the City could potentially receive around \$1,710,009 for the ACR team to operate over a three year period.

Submitted by:

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ATTACHMENTS

- Amendment