

CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor Paul A. Dyster
DATE: June 14, 2018
RE: City Council Agenda Item:

Council Members:

The City awarded CDBG funds to Family & Children's Services of Niagara to provide mental health counseling services to homeless youth in Community Development's 2017 Action Plan. While the 2017 program year began on July 1, 2017, the City did not receive its funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development until January 1, 2018. This, coupled with the agency's need to follow state-mandated hiring requirements for mental health counselors, has delayed the hiring of the youth counselor.

At this time, the counselor has been hired and will begin serving homeless children immediately. It is requested that Council approve an amendment to the contract, setting new program dates of 7/1/18 to 6/30/19. This will allow for timely expenditure of CDBG funds while also providing an appropriate level of service from the subrecipient.

Will the Council vote to approve the proposal presented herein and to authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the same?

Respectfully submitted,

Paul A. Dyster, Mayor

Nicholas Melson, City Administrator

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Director of Community Development

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