



Agenda Item No: 1.g

PLACENTIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: July 21, 2026

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From: Community Services

Subject:

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ST. JUDE HOSPITAL

Financial Impact:

None.

Summary:

The City of Placentia entered into a grant agreement with St. Jude Hospital (St. Jude) for the period of January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, to support community health initiatives focused on preventing and reducing obesity. Staff was unable to expend grant funds by the December timeline, and St. Jude has offered the option to extend the deadline to September 30, 2026.

Recommended Action:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve Amendment No. 1 to a Community Services Agreement with St. Jude to extend the grant agreement period to allow for the use of funds to purchase senior exercise equipment and adaptive games and equipment for the City's adaptive recreation program to June 31, 2026; and
2. Authorize the Acting City Administrator and/or her designee to execute all necessary documents, in a form approved by the City Attorney; and
3. Authorize the Acting City Administrator, or her designee, to approve the eligible agreement term extension based upon contractor performance and at the discretion of the City.

Strategic Plan Statement:

This item supports Strategic Plan Goal No. 1: Fiscal Sustainability, by ensuring that grant funds provided under the agreement with St. Jude are used in a responsible and effective manner.

Discussion:

The City of Placentia entered into an agreement with St. Jude to support programs aimed at increasing physical activity, improving mental health, and promoting healthier eating among residents. However, due to recent staff turnover, the City was unable to fully meet the original timelines and deliverables outlined in the grant agreement. The transition in staffing impacted

program continuity and delayed planned purchases and implementation efforts.

As a result, staff is requesting an extension of the agreement to allow sufficient time to complete the intended use of funds, including the financial assistance for swim lessons and water safety days and adaptive games and equipment for the City's adaptive recreation program. By requesting an extension, the City is avoiding the loss or underutilization of allocated funds due to unforeseen staff turnover, thereby protecting available financial resources. The extension allows staff to strategically invest these funds in equipment that will provide long-term value, including financial assistance for underserved youth in aquatic programs and adaptive recreation resources, which will support ongoing programs without requiring significant future expenditures.

This approach demonstrates prudent financial management, maximizes external funding opportunities, and helps maintain a balanced budget while continuing to deliver high-quality services that benefit the community.

Financial Summary:

The agreement with St. Jude Hospital for Amendment No. 1 is for a not-to-exceed amount of grant-allocated funds totaling \$9,600 for the September 30, 2026, extension. Under this agreement, the City of Placentia will utilize these grant funds to purchase equipment for seniors at the Senior Center, as well as specialized equipment to support participants in the City's adaptive recreation program.

Attachments

[Amendment 1 ST JUDE - Professional Services signed.pdf](#)
[ST. JUDE 2025 Agreement.pdf](#)