



Agenda Statement

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ITEM TITLE:

Authorization to Continue Physician's Assistance Program Payments to Dr. Angela Alfaro

SUBMITTED BY: Brian Carlson, Finance Director

FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: \$15,000 immediately; \$60K total for 2020

Unencumbered Balance: \$180,000

Funding Source: Physician's Assistance Reserve; 350.0200.55000

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve ongoing payments, per original contract.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

- Finance Director was informally tasked by previous City Manager with oversight of this program.
 - Staff elected to apprise Council of the Dr.'s changed employment/practice status and to obtain explicit approval of ongoing payments.
 - Based primarily on representations by Dr. Alfaro, staff finds that the scope and nature of Dr. Alfaro's new practice satisfies the original contract terms.
- Dr. Alfaro executed a contract with the City in January of 2019 for participation in the Physician's Assistance program.
 - She has since established her own health clinic, apart from the Valdez Medical Clinic.

- Practice is full-time (Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri), and full-scope, excluding obstetrics
- Practice includes a nurse practitioner for increased office-hour availability
- Dr. Alfaro provides hospital ER coverage on Tuesday, and overnight/weekend calls six times per month, coordinated via Valdez Medical Clinic
- Dr. Alfaro will be present to field Council questions.