

I. Roll Call

Commissioner Merz called the meeting to order at 2:43 pm.

Present: Lynn Merz, Maria Su, Linda Asato and Ingrid Mezquita

II. General Public Comment

There was no general public comment.

III. Discussion and possible action to approve the January 25, 2017 and February 22, 2017 Fiscal Committee meeting minutes

There was no further discussion and a motion to approve the January 25, 2017 and February 22, 2017 Fiscal Committee meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Su and seconded by Commissioner Asato.

The motion carried unanimously and was approved at 2:44 pm.

There was no public comment.

IV. Discussion and possible action to approve a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to prequalify consultants for assessment services for the San Francisco Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS)

Staff presented the RFQ for Training and Technical Assistance for Quality Improvement Services. Qualified respondents will need to demonstrate the ability to provide valid, reliable, external assessments utilizing the Environmental Rating Scales (ERS) and Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) for licensed family child care homes and center-based settings serving children ages zero to five years. The funding availability will be up to \$1,438,385 annually.

The following were discussed:

- Possible applicants or agencies that can provide the service.
- No barriers anticipated even with the short turn-around time.
- Local funds will only be used to support local assessments.
- A state First 5 grant will support regional assessment work.

A motion to approve the RFQ to prequalify consultants for assessment services for the San Francisco Quality Rating and Improvement System was made by Commissioner Su and seconded by Commissioner Asato.

The motion carried unanimously and was approved at 2:50 pm.

There was no public comment.

V. Discussion and possible action to approve the First 5 San Francisco 2017-18 and 2018-19 budgets

Staff presented the 2017-18 two-year rolling budget. The total for the 2017-18 portion is at \$28.2 million.

The following are highlights of the 2017-18 two-year rolling budget:

- 49% of the budget will support the Family Support initiative.

- 36% of the budget will support the Child Development initiative which includes the regional work.
- 5.7% of the budget will support general operations and evaluation.
- The Prop 10 Tobacco Tax allocation will drop approximately 17% in 2017-18 due to the increase in smoking age, e-cigarettes, and the state backfill to and from Prop 10.
- There is a need to increase use of the sustainability funds to cover the shortfall due to the revenue drop.
- The work order from the Office of Early Care and Education (OECE) was reduced due to the shift of curriculum enhancement and family engagement support contracts.
- Program personnel expenses have been moved out of the administrative category and into the respective program initiatives to reflect true program costs.
- There are no changes to staff.

The following were discussed:

- A small federal grant from unspent Race to the Top funds was awarded to the state to provide QRIS related certification.
- The OECE funding around family engagement support and services.
- Some staff may be supporting multiple program initiatives.
- Additional work and planning will begin to be developed for the Family Support and Child Health initiatives.
- Issues around the funding and awarding of the Family Resource Center grants due to the Human Services Agency's (HSA) focusing its funding in selective FRC services.

A motion to accept the First 5 San Francisco 2017-18 and 2018-19 budgets and move it to the full Commission for approval was made by Commissioner Su and seconded by Commissioner Asato.

The motion carried unanimously and was approved at 3:34 pm.

There was no public comment.

VI. Fiscal Committee Update

The following were discussed:

- State revenue projections were released.
- Federal tax credit for child care.
- Cut in corporate federal taxes.
- New York's announcement of the expanding its universal preschool to 3-year-olds.
- Viking Global Investments' foundation potential funding in San Francisco.
- Declining Prop 10 revenues and the gaps it will create.

There was no public comment

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:43 pm.