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David S. Mann

Councilmember

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MOTION

I move that the City Administration move expeditiously with payment/ reimbursement of the Human Services agencies under contract with the City.

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Statement:

The City has not been efficient in dealing with its contractual obligations to the Human Services agencies.

In February 2021, I sounded the alarm about contracts that had not been finalized nine months after passing the last City budget. This delay caused incredible hardship, especially since this funding is to help organizations providing essential services to the most fragile of our citizens. Now, with contracts finally in place, these Human Services agencies struggle to receive payment per the terms of their contracts. It is clearly unacceptable and is at odds with a major initiative of Council to support these agencies.

In addition, the anti-poverty initiative ProjectLift, which Council funded in the amount of \$600K, has been waiting for a contract and funding since August 2019.

I am restating my request of motion 202100670 that a focus group be formed with members of the city administration, including Law and DCED, and representatives of the Human Service agencies, to analyze how Council decisions concerning Human Services can be implemented more expeditiously.