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TO: Northwest Regional Council

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SUBJECT: COVID Related Postponement of Bid Process for 2021 Grant Funded Programs

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Every four years Northwest Regional Council conducts an open bid process for grant funded programs, predominantly funded from federal Older American's Act and state Senior Citizen's Act and Family Caregiver Support resources. Normally, we would complete that bid process by the end of 2020 in time for 2021 contract awards. However, given our current provider's focus on navigating the COVID pandemic and to maintain continuity during the crisis, I propose delaying the bid process for those programs by a year, to be completed in time to award contracts for 2022. We can extend the existing contracts with existing providers for 2021 at the projected funding levels outlined below.

Projected Funding

The attached chart shows the FY2021 estimated funding. We do not expect increases to these fund sources so we tentatively project each program will be funded in 2021 at the same level as in 2020.

PROPOSED MOTION:

The NWRC authorizes postponing the open bid process for grant-funded programs by one year, to be completed in time for 2022 contracts. Staff will negotiate contracts with current providers for 2021 using 2020 funding amounts.

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