Sub ____ to 2020 RES-050 (Proposed Bare)

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT TO
COMMUNITY COORDINATED CHILD CARE, INC.
DCDHS – EAWS DIVISION

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic there is a need to provide child care assistance to licensed and certified providers. Child Care centers are struggling to keep their doors open due to lack of child care needed as parents have been laid-off or are underemployed. Many centers have had mandated limits on their capacity under the statewide orders. These centers need to stay open to educate and engage children as their parents and guardians return to the workforce. Dane County Department of Human Services (DCDHS) Economic Assistance and Work Services (EAWS) Division has contracted with Community Coordinated Child Care, Inc. (4-C) to provide grants to childcare providers.

To meet current child care needs, the County has contracted with Community Coordinated Child Care, Inc. (4-C) at a lump sum cost of $3,500,000 to provide one-time grants to childcare providers. The cost of the contract will be supported by the application of COVID Relief Funds.

<u>This funding should incentivize childcare providers to provide high-quality non-discriminatory services; prioritize the needs of the workforce, including paying a high wage and providing benefits; help make personal protective equipment available for staff, visitors, and children; help providers develop and implement plans for communicable disease control; and replace lost revenue due to closures in accordance with orders issued to protect public health.</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board approves a contract in the amount of $3,500,000 with Community Coordinated Child Care, Inc. (4-C) and authorizes the County Executive and County Clerk to execute the contract documents, and authorizes the Controller to issue a check for payment of contract invoice.

BE IT FINALLY RESOVLED that account 66364 NEW “COVID Childcare Grant” be created with an appropriation of $3,500,000 and that account 66364 NEW “CARES Act Revenue” be created with an appropriation of $3,500,000.

On 5/14/2020, the Health & Human Needs Committee wanted the resolution to be amended to include the following language, “This funding should incentivize childcare providers to provide high-quality non-discriminatory services; prioritize the needs of the workforce, including paying a high wage and providing benefits; help make personal protective equipment available for staff, visitors, and children; help providers develop and implement plans for communicable disease control; and replace lost revenue due to closures in accordance with orders issued to protect public health." on lines 22-27.