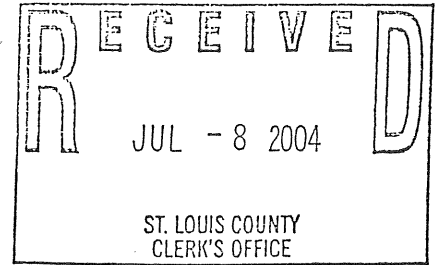




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July 13, 2004

Honorable Skip Mange
Chairman and Members of the
St. Louis County Council

Honorable Council Members:

In the attached correspondence, the Director of the Department of Health requests legislation to enter into contracts with Interlock Pharmacy Services, Inc. and Walgreen Company for the Department of Health's general and corrections pharmacy needs. The terms are July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

She advises that Ordinance No. 21,429 authorized the County to contract with Interlock Pharmacy Services, Inc. and with Walgreen Company. Their terms ended June 30, 2004. She further advises that due to a rise in the drug cost for Interlock, the amount budgeted for this contract will be increased from \$1,081,000 to \$1,114,635, but the Walgreen contract will be decreased from \$5,923,000 to \$5,423,000. The Department of Health has sufficient funding allocated for pharmaceutical expenses to allow for these contractual changes.

It is my recommendation that the St. Louis County Council take the necessary legislative action authorizing the County to approve the above-mentioned contracts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charlie A. Dooley".

Charlie A. Dooley
County Executive

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Attachment