Council Meeting Date: May 17, 2004 Agenda Item: 2(b)

## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation by Harborview Medical Center

**DEPARTMENT:** CMO

PRESENTED BY: Robert Olander, Deputy City Manager

## PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

For the past year representatives from Harborview Medical Center have been attending city council meetings throughout King County. Harborview is owned by King County and managed by the University of Washington. It has a mission to serve the communities throughout the county and provides a key component of the regional safety net for priority populations. These include persons incarcerated in the King County Jail, mentally ill patients, substance abusers and persons with sexually transmitted diseases, those without health insurance and the poor, burn victims, specialized emergency care, and victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Harborview's intensive care units, currently operating 65 beds, are some of the most high-tech in the country. Despite its mission to serve all people, regardless of their ability to pay, the hospital maintains a positive operating margin of one percent, or approximately \$4 million.

In 2000, voters of King County passed a bond issue of \$193 million for seismic upgrades to the hospital and to add 50 critically needed beds. The presentation tonight provides an overview of Harborview's services and an update on the construction program. It will be presented by Chief Executive Officer Dave Jaffee and Johnese Spisso, Chief Operating Officer.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

No action is required.

Approved By:

City Manager City Attorney

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