

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET (ORDINANCE NO. 20120910-001) TO REDUCE EXPENDITURES FOR THE AUSTIN PLAYHOUSE AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET (ORDINANCE NO. 20120910-001) TO INCREASE EXPENDITURES FOR SKILLPOINT ALLIANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. Findings:

- (A) In Council’s mid-year budget amendment (Ordinance No. 20130212-A002), Council allocated \$150,000 to the Austin Playhouse contingent upon the Austin Playhouse obtaining additional funding by March 31, 2013;
- (B) Austin Playhouse did not obtain the additional funding;
- (C) Skillpoint Alliance’s outcomes are unmatched in Austin, serving more than 118,124 Central Texas in its history and 17,870 in 2012 alone;
- (D) Skillpoint’s job training and computer literacy services focus on the “hard-to-employ” population, defined by the City of Austin as low-income, undereducated and/or former offenders, those at risk for, or currently receiving, federal and state in-kind benefits, including subsidized housing, TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, or CHIP funds, and the transitioning veterans returning to civilian life in Central Texas who need specialized training to earn a living wage;
- (E) Skillpoint Alliance has proven, through 19 years of operation that it is an excellent steward of funds received and a valuable workforce training partner in Central Texas. Highlights and accomplishments include:
 - (1) Partnership with the Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) to offer computer literacy trainings in HACA communities and at no cost to HACA residents;
 - (2) Funding support from key workforce leaders, including the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, Workforce Solutions, Travis County Health and Human Services, Texas Veterans Commission, and the Texas Workforce Commission;

- 1 (3) Recognition from Workforce Solutions Capital Area as the recipient of
2 the Innovative Solutions Award in 2011 and 2012; and
- 3 (4) Collaboration with roughly 190 business and industry leaders through
4 the 90-member Adult Workforce council and the 100-member STEM
5 Council;

6 (F) Skillpoint Alliance objectives for 2013 include:

- 7 (1) Training 400 hard-to-employ Central Texas, including 150 former
8 offenders, 50 incarcerated juveniles, and 35 transitioning veterans, and
9 offering nine training disciplines;
- 10 (2) Providing 17,500 hours of computer literacy training to 500 Central
11 Texans; and
- 12 (3) Maintaining unmatched results in job training, with 85% employed
13 within 30 days of graduation and 85% advancing their careers, receiving
14 a promotion, or increasing their wages following completion of training.

15 **PART 2.** The City Council amends the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Parks and Recreation
16 Department Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20120910-001) to reduce expenditures in
17 the amount of \$150,000 that were to be used to fund the Austin Playhouse.

18 **PART 3.** Council amends the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Health and Human Services
19 Department Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20120910-001) to increase expenditures in
20 the amount of \$150,000 to provide additional funding for Skillpoint Alliance .

21 **PART 4.** This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2013.

22 **PASSED AND APPROVED**

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27 Lee Leffingwell
28 Mayor

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31 **APPROVED:** _____ **ATTEST:** _____
32 Karen M. Kennard Jannette S. Goodall
33 City Attorney City Clerk