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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	27175	Agenda Number	31.
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Meeting Date:	9/26/2013	Department:	Health and Human Services
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of amendments to four contracts with providers of services for people living with HIV or AIDS: AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, INC. in an amount not to exceed \$273,317, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,426,035; AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER, in an amount not to exceed \$53,673 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$312,105; PROJECT TRANSITIONS, INC. in an amount not to exceed \$87,849 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$570,298; THE WRIGHT HOUSE WELLNESS CENTER in an amount not to exceed \$83,050 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$623,301.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$497,889 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD). The contract period is October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

On January 31, 2013 Council approved negotiation and execution of seven month contract amendment with above mentioned subcontractors.

For More Information:

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Boards and Commission Action:

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

The Health and Human Services Department funds a broad array of health and social services for eligible individuals with human immunodeficiency syndrome/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS), in order to maintain or improve the overall health, safety, and quality of life for these individuals. The City continues to provide local funding for HIV services as part of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-87, October 30, 2009). The City's General Fund support for these contracts helps secure over \$4 million in annual Federal Ryan White grant funding.

A competitive Request for Application (RFA) process for City-funded HIV/AIDS services planned for this year has

been postponed. The postponement will allow the City to assess the following: impact of grant funding reductions caused by sequestration; the impact of implementation of the Affordable Care Act on the local HIV service delivery system; and the impact on services due to reauthorization or non-reauthorization of the Ryan White Care Act scheduled for this year. The City of Austin, Travis County, the Travis County Healthcare District, and HIV community stakeholders will collaborate on a strategy for future investment in the continuum of HIV services after determining the impact.

In order to maintain HIV/AIDS services for individuals affected by HIV/AIDS during this time, it is necessary to extend current contracts for an additional 12 month period from October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014.

The amendments will result in the following services:

Agency:	Services:	Funding:
AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. (ASA)	Non-medical Case Management and Food Bank Services	\$273,317
Austin Travis County MHMR	Mental Health Case Management	\$ 53,673
Project Transitions, Inc.	Residential Hospice	\$ 87,849
The Wright House Wellness Center	Alternative Therapies	
	HIV Prevention & Education	<u>\$ 83,050</u>
Total:		\$497,889

Performance Measures:

HHSD Related Departmental Goal:

Social Services: - Assist People in Achieving Safety, Stability and Long Term Self-Sufficiency.