

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	27044	Agenda Number	41.
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Meeting Date:	9/26/2013	Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a one-year service agreement with the Austin Housing Finance Corporation to manage and operate various housing programs on the City's behalf during Fiscal Year 2013-2014 using funds from federal and local sources in the amount of \$9,426,028.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. Grant funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2014 federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. See attached Exhibit A for more detail.

The service agreement includes: \$1,223,344 from Local Sources including the Housing Trust Fund (\$663,231), Sustainability Fund (\$245,873), and University Neighborhood Overlay Housing Trust fund(314,240); and \$8,202,684 from Federal Sources, including \$2,409,408 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Home Investment Partnership Program, \$3,714,524 from the Community Development Block Grant, and \$2,438,752 from the Community Development Block Grant carry-forward funds reprogrammed from NHCD's Community Development (\$1,619,892), Debt Service (\$744,229), and Administration (\$74,631) activities.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	September 27, 2012 – Council approved a one-year service agreement to expire September 30, 2013.
For More Information:	Contact Elizabeth A. Spencer, Director, 512-974-3182; or Alex Zamora, Chief Financial Manager, 512-974-3151.
Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The recommended action authorizes the City Manager to negotiate and execute the City's annual service agreement with the Austin Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) allowing the AHFC to use \$9,426,028 in City funds from federal sources and local sources to fund, manage and operate various City housing programs during Fiscal Year 2013-2014, including renter assistance, homebuyer assistance, homeowner assistance and housing developer assistance. See Exhibit □A□ (AHFC Grant Operating Budget) for details. An estimated 1,701 households will be served through these programs. Employees of the City's Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) Office manage AHFC's operations through the annual service agreement.

Established in 1979 as a public, non-profit corporation pursuant to Chapter 394 of the Texas Local Government Code, the AHFC administers numerous affordable housing programs for the City using federal and local funds. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant funds provided by the City constitute the majority of AHFC's grant funds.