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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	49400	Agenda Number	7.
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Meeting Date:	9/10/2015	Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a one-year contract with FAMILY ELDERCARE, INC. to fund and administer the Senior Services Program, in an amount not to exceed \$134,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. Funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2016 federal funds from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	September 22, 2011 – Council approved a one-year service agreement, with three 12-month extension options in an amount estimated not to exceed \$134,221 per extension option, for a total agreement amount estimated not to exceed \$536,884.
For More Information:	Contact Elizabeth A. Spencer, Director, 512-974-3182; or Fernando Hernandez-Garza, Neighborhood Development Program Manager, 512-974-3114.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

If approved, funding will be provided for a one-year contract with Family Eldercare, Inc. Services to be provided by Family Eldercare under the contract include: guardianship services to assist at least 32 clients, and bill payer services to assist at least 167 clients. The contract term shall be from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

The City's 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan notes the increasing aging population of Austin, specifically in the 45 – 64 range. Consequently, access to senior services was identified as a high priority public service need. Funding of these senior services programs helps prevent and protect Austin residents age 55 or older from becoming victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and enables them to live independently for as long as possible. The program promotes and fosters increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations. All clients are required to have income levels at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and meet asset guidelines set by Family Eldercare.