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Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | Item ID | 48548 | Agenda Number | 23. |
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| Meeting Date: | 9/17/2015 | Department: | Health and Human Services |
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Subject

Authorize the negotiation and execution of a 12-month local match agreement with WORKSOURCE GREATER AUSTIN AREA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD d/b/a WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS - CAPITAL AREA WORKFORCE BOARD for child care services in an amount not to exceed \$331,832, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$331,832 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,327,328.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$331,832 will be available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department. The initial period of the agreement is October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

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| Purchasing Language: | |
| Prior Council Action: | On September 9, 2014, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget, Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20140909-001. |
| For More Information: | Dr. Rosamaria Murillo, Asst. Director for Maternal Child and Adolescent Health, 512-972-5038; Ron Hubbard, Family Health Unit Manager, 512-972-6216, Cynthia Gamez, Early Childhood Coordinator, 972-6216, Elena Shemilina, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5010. |
| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action: | |
| MBE / WBE: | |
| Related Items: | |

Additional Backup Information

Workforce Solutions - Capital Area Workforce Board (WFS), a local agent for the Texas Workforce Commission, distributes state and federal child care funding for low-income working families in Austin/Travis County. The federal government allows states to use state and local government funds to match federal funds, such as the Health and Human Services Department's Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF). Texas does not match all available federal child care funding, so local government funds can be used to increase the available match presented by federal funds. The Child Care Local Match Contribution Agreement will provide the local match for federal funds, anticipated to be at a matching ratio of 34% local funds to 66% federal funds, resulting in about \$1.98 in federal funds for each \$1.00 in City funds. This agreement will leverage an estimated \$655,979 in federal child care funds. The resulting total estimated child care funding will be an estimated \$987,811 for City client-families.

The agreement is a continuation of the City's social services child care program for low-income families in partnership with Travis County and Workforce Solutions that began in Fiscal Year 2005. The City payment will be transferred to WFS in order for the funds to be matched with federal funds. The federal matching funds and the City

funds go directly into the automated child care payment system at the Texas Workforce Commission solely for WFS's use as directed by the City. The amount of available matching funds is contingent on the federal CCDF budget and the Texas Workforce Commission's allocation to Austin/Travis County through WFS.

It is critical that this request be approved by Council by September 17, 2015, because the contract will be effective October 1, 2015, and payment will need to be made in October to obtain federal matching funds.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Related Goals:

Assist People in Achieving Safety, Stability and Long Term Self-Sufficiency

Outputs

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| Number of children provided child care services (unduplicated) | 182 |
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Outcomes

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| Federal Match received for City clients' child care (estimate) | \$655,979 |
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