

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	69258	Agenda Number	18.
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Meeting Date:	4/13/2017	Department:	Public Health
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**Subject**

Authorize negotiation and execution of amendment no. 3 to the interlocal agreement with AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT to increase funding for a mentoring project in an amount not to exceed \$366 for the current 12-month period ending September 30, 2017, with four 12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$366 per renewal option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$97,230.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$366 is included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of Austin Public Health. Funding for the renewal options is contingent upon Council approval of funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	On February 4, 2016, Council approved agenda item 20160204-015 approving negotiation and execution of this agreement. On September 14, 2016, Council approved Ordinance No. 20160914-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget, approving a 2.3% increase for social service contracts.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	
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**Additional Backup Information**

“Youth mentoring” is defined as a sustained relationship between a young person and a caring adult who is screened and trained to provide the young person with support, guidance, and assistance. Research has shown that youth participating in mentoring relationships experience positive academic returns, such as improved attendance, increased likelihood of high school graduation, increased likelihood of post-secondary education, and a more positive attitude toward school. It has been estimated that as many as 5,000 students in the Austin Independent School District (AISD) would benefit from the support, guidance, and assistance of a trained, caring, and responsible volunteer-mentor.

On December 16, 2011, the joint subcommittees from the City, Travis County, and AISD created a Mentoring Task Force that would report to the Joint Subcommittee with findings and recommendations that promote youth mentoring. On January 18, 2013, the Mentoring Task Force presented following recommendations to the Joint subcommittees:

1. Creation of the Austin/Travis County Mentoring Advisory Council A/TCMAC, consisting of twenty-four members that include seven members appointed by each governmental agency and three mentor service providers;
2. Appointment of an AISD staff member to oversee the district-wide mentoring efforts, and provide support and

guidance for the A/TCMAC;

3. Presentation of an annual accountability update to the joint subcommittees.

On January 18, 2013, the members of the joint subcommittees directed staff to draft a resolution for action by the City Council, the Travis County Commissioners Court, and the AISD Board of Trustees in support of the recommendations of the Mentoring Task Force, including a proposed budget to address expenses of the newly created A/TCMAC. On June 21, 2013, the members of the joint subcommittees unanimously adopted a motion approving the newly created A/TCMAC, which has a budget of \$45,000 to fund activities and services for a twelve-month period, with the City contributing an amount not to exceed \$15,000 per fiscal year.

In April 2016, the City entered into an interlocal agreement (ILA) with the A/TCMAC. Thereafter, the parties entered into the following amendments of the A/TCMAC ILA: Amendment No. 1 included a 6% increase of \$900 for the initial agreement and each 12-month renewal option for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$95,400; and Amendment No. 2 included the execution of the first renewal option.

During the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget adoption process, Council approved \$600,000 in funding for current social service providers for a cost of living increase, which resulted in a 2.3% increase for most social service contracts. This resulted in an increase to the A/TCMAC ILA of \$366, for a total agreement amount of \$16,266 for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017, and a total amount of \$16,266 for each of the four remaining 12-month renewal options, which requires the completion of a third amendment (Amendment No. 3) to the A/TCMAC ILA.

Related Departmental Goal:

Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.

Related Business Plan Goals:

Improve maternal, child and adolescent health outcomes from preconception through adulthood.