Recommendation for Board Action Austin Housing Finance Item ID 75129 7. Agenda Number Corporation Neighborhood Housing and **Meeting Date:** 9/28/2017 Department: Community Development

Subject

Authorize the negotiation and execution of a one-year contract with the AUSTIN AREA URBAN LEAGUE to fund and administer the Emergency Home Repair Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 with one 12 month extension option in am amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for at total contract amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget of the Austin Housing Finance Corporation. Funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2017 federal funds from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant. Funding for the 12-month extension option is contingent upon the availability of funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note	
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	September 22, 2016 – Council approved a one-year service agreement to expire September 30, 2017.
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Additional Backup Information

If approved, funding will be provided for a one year contract with the Austin Area Urban League (AAUL) with one 12-month extension option subject to the approval of the Subrecipient and the AHFC Officer or their designee. Continuation of the Contract beyond the initial 12 months is specifically contingent upon the availability and allocation of funding by AHFC Board. In addition, annual performance measures will be negotiated as part of the extension option.

Services to be provided by AAUL under the contract include: responding to client requests for repairs, verifying client eligibility, developing specifications for repairs, facilitating repairs, using licensed contractors and other skilled tradespersons, and providing quality assurance for the work performed. The cost of repairing any one home under this program shall not exceed \$5,000 per fiscal year. The contract term shall be from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

The Emergency Home Repair (EHR) program provides emergency and critical repairs to owner-occupied housing located in the City of Austin. The program addresses potentially life-threatening health and safety issues and helps preserve existing housing stock. The homeowners assisted by this program must reside in the home, and their total household incomes cannot exceed 80 percent of the Austin area Median Family Income (currently \$65,100 for a family of four). A total of 320 unduplicated households will be served. The assistance provided by this program is in the form of a grant to the homeowner. The EHR program has been in existence for over thirty one years.