

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: August 9, 2018

Item Number: **033**

Public Health

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 4 to the agreement with Asian American Resource Center, Inc. for the provision of community health navigation services to Asian American immigrant groups, adding three 12-month extension options beginning October 1, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$155,000 per extension option for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$807,775.

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| Lead Department | Austin Public Health. |
| Fiscal Note | Funding for the agreement is contingent upon available funding in future budgets. |
| Prior Council Action | On December 14, 2017 Council approved Amendment No. 3, which added one nine month extension option and \$125,000, on an 11-0 vote. On December 15, 2016, Council approved Amendment No. 1, which added one 12-month extension option to the agreement beginning January 1, 2017, on a 9-0 vote, with Council Members Troxclair and Zimmerman abstaining. |
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| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action | On June 20, 2017, the Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission passed Recommendation 20170620-3B: recommendations to City Council for the Fiscal Year 20-17-2018, which included \$316,328 for Community Health Navigator. |

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 4 to the agreement with Asian American Resource Center (AARC), Inc. for the continued provision of health navigation services for Asian American immigrants by community health workers.

Council authorization is being sought prior to their adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018 - 2019 budget in order to allow time for the parties to negotiate and execute the agreement with a start date of October 1, 2018, ensuring an uninterrupted continuation of services.

AARC is a Texas nonprofit corporation committed to improving the quality of life of Asian Americans in Austin through research and programming at the City of Austin's Asian American Resource Center. The goal of the health navigator program is to provide community health system navigation services for members of linguistically isolated Asian American (AA) immigrant groups. These services will promote self-management of health and wellness through clinical community links that enable culturally and contextually relevant care. The program will serve the three most linguistically-isolated communities of AAs (Vietnamese, Korean, and Burmese) by providing health care system navigation services including facilitating enrollment in the Affordable Healthcare Act, Medicare and Medicaid.

Amendment No. 3 added \$125,000 and one nine-month extension option ending September 30, 2018. Amendment No. 2 added \$30,000 to the agreement term ending December 31, 2017. Amendment No. 1 added \$137,775 and one 12-month extension option ending December 31, 2017. The original agreement was a six-month pilot for \$50,000 that ended December 31, 2016