

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: November 29, 2018

Item Number: **020**

Public Health

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with Asian American Resource Center for health navigation services to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$257,000 for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,578,775.

Lead Department	Austin Public Health.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$257,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Austin Public Health Department’s Operating Budget. Funding for the remaining years of the agreement is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.
Prior Council Action	On September 11, 2018, Council approved Ordinance No. 20180911-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget on a vote of 10-1 with Council Member Troxclair voting no.
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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 recommending City Council approve the FY2018 Budget include \$316,328 for community health navigator services and \$65,000 for Asian American Resource Center nonprofit funding.

Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with the Asian American Resource Center for the continued provision of health navigation services for Asian American immigrants by community health workers by increasing funding in the amount of \$157,000 for the current 12-month term and the two remaining 12-month extension options.

A portion of the proposed funding increase, in the amount of \$107,000 comes from a transfer of funds to Austin Public Health from the Parks and Recreation Department after they closed out a position at the Asian American Resource Center, supported by recommendations from the Asian American Quality of Life Commission. The remaining portion of the funding increase in the amount of \$150,000 was approved by City Council as part of the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget, also supported by recommendations from the Asian American Quality of Life Commission.

Amendment No. 4 added three 12-month extension options in the amount of \$155,000 per extension option, beginning October 1, 2018. Amendment No. 3 added \$125,000 and one 9-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 6-month pilot for \$50,000 that ended December 31, 2016.

The Asian American Resource Center is a Texas nonprofit corporation committed to improving the quality of life of Asian Americans in Austin through research, programming, and services. 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 the clinical community links that enable culturally and contextually relevant care. The program will serve the three most linguistically-isolated communities of AAs (Vietnamese, Korean, Burmese) by providing health care system navigation services, including facilitating enrollment in the Affordable Healthcare Act, and Medicare and Medicaid.