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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2199, Agenda Item #: 86.

5/21/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with Meals on Wheels & More, Inc. to provide direct relief services to Austin/Travis County residents impacted by COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the term May 26, 2020 to September 30, 2020.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$250,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund for Relief in a State of Emergency Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief.

Prior Council Action:

April 9, 2020 - Council approved Resolution No. 20200409-081 to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the Relief in a State of Emergency Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief, with an 11-0 vote on the virtual dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement with Meals on Wheels & More, Inc to provide direct relief services to Austin/Travis County residents impacted by COVID-19. The term for this agreement is May 26, 2020 through September 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, for a total agreement amount of \$250,000, with no extension options.

On April 9, 2020, City Council approved an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the Relief in a State of Emergency (RISE) Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief. On the same day, City Council approved Resolution No. 20200409-081, which authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute new emergency contracts funded from the RISE Fund to offer immediate support services and direct financial assistance to residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and economic crisis.

Meals on Wheels & More, Inc will continue serving people of color, seniors, and individuals who have been historically marginalized. The direct relief services to be offered are food access and case management.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.