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# City of Austin

# Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2910, Agenda Item #: 137.

8/27/2020

# Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 6 to the agreement with African American Youth Harvest Foundation, Inc. for programs that enhance the quality of life for African American youth and families in an amount not to exceed \$181,459, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,250,285.

# **Lead Department**

Austin Public Health.

#### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$181,459 is included in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget.

#### Prior Council Action:

December 8, 2016 - Council approved the negotiation and execution Amendment No. 2 to the 37-month agreement with African American Youth Harvest Foundation, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$182,323, on an 8-0 vote.

November 20, 2014 - Council approved the award, negotiation, and execution of a 37-month contract with 33 social service agencies, or other qualified offerors in response to Request for Proposal No. EAD0116 for self-sufficiency social services, on a 6-0 vote with Council Member Tovo recusing herself from contracts associated with Theater Action Project/Creative Action.

# For More Information:

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#### Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 6 to the agreement with African American Youth Harvest Foundation, Inc. (AAYHF) for programs that enhance the quality of life for African American youth and families in an amount not to exceed \$181,459, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,250,285.

Amendment No. 5 exercised extension option No. 2 in the amount of \$181,459, for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2019.

Amendment No. 4 exercised extension option No. 1 in the amount of \$181,459, for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2018.

Amendment No. 3 added \$4,426 to the 37-month base agreement due a 2.3% annual cost of living increase for social services agreements approved by Council during the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget adoption process.

Amendment No. 2 amended the contract exhibits.

Amendment No. 1 added \$29,385 to the 37-month base agreement due to a 6% annual cost of living increase for social services agreements approved by Council during the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget adoption process.

The City entered into an agreement with AAYHF in 2014 as a result of an Austin Public Health Department Health Self-Sufficiency Request for Applications (RFA) process, and services began on September 1, 2015 for an initial 37-month period ending on September 30, 2018, with three 12-month extension options. The agreement allows services to be provided at the African American Youth Resource Center (AAYRC). The AAYRC responds to the broad, critical needs of African American youth and families residing in Travis County, and provides programs to low-income populations of all ethnicities. The AAYRC serves as a one-stop resource for students and their families through a variety of initiatives that provide various services and connect families to offsite social services through a case management system. AAYHF acts as the lead agency in coordinating the flow of project planning, implementation, reporting and evaluation among all partners offering services at the AAYRC.

AAYHF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that works cooperatively with local school districts and institutions of higher education to identify barriers preventing academic achievement and eliminate the academic achievement gap between African Americans and other at-risk populations.

# Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.