



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2805, **Agenda Item #:** 19.

10/1/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an increase to contracts for the provision of HIV-related housing services under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS grant, with the following providers: AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,303,120.07 for the 12-month term beginning October 1, 2020, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,604,525; Project Transitions, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$510,293 for the 12-month term beginning October 1, 2020, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,872,729.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,869,497 is available from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing for Persons with AIDS, and is contingent upon approval of the Proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

April 23, 2020 - Council approved authorization and negotiation of an increase to contracts for the provision of HIV-related housing services under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS grant, with the following providers: AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the 12-month term beginning October 1, 2019, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,301,404.93; and Project Transitions, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the 12-month term beginning October 1, 2019, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,362,436.00 on an 11-0 vote.

October 31, 2019 - Council approved authorization and negotiation of an increase to contracts for the provision of HIV-related housing services under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS grant, with the following providers: AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for the 12-month term beginning October 1, 2019, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,101,404.93; and Project Transitions, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the 12-month term beginning October 1, 2019, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,212,436 on a 10-0 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Garza off the dais.

August 30, 2018 - Council approved authorization and negotiation of an increase to a contract with AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. for the Housing Opportunities for Persons Living With HIV/AIDS Program in an amount not to exceed \$102,039 for each of the 12-month terms beginning October 1, 2018 and October 1, 2019, for a total revised contract amount not to exceed \$2,918,819 on a 10-0 vote with Council member Troxclair abstaining.

November 9, 2017 - Council approved authorization and negotiation of contracts for initial 12-month terms through September 20, 2018 with two twelve-month renewal options for the provision of HIV-related housing services under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS grant, with the following providers: AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. in an amount not to exceed

\$906,681 for the first 12-month term and \$904,030 for each 12-month renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,714,741; Project Transitions, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$354,416 for the first 12-month term and \$354,010 for each 12-month renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,062,436 on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Troxclair abstaining.

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Additional Backup Information:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (also known as HUD) has awarded grant funds for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) in the amount of \$1,869,497 for HIV-related housing services to be provided in the Austin Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA). The EMSA includes Travis, Williamson, Hays, Bastrop, and Caldwell counties. Services under the HOPWA grant include short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance, tenant-based rental assistance, permanent housing placement, hotel/motel vouchers, master leasing, supportive services, and HIV/AIDS housing operations.

The approved Fiscal Year 2020-2021 City of Austin Annual Action Plan includes HOPWA funding as follows:

Sub-recipient	FY 2020-2021 Annual Plan Allocations
AIDS Services of Austin, Inc.	\$1,303,120.00
Project Transitions, Inc.	\$510,293.00
Administration	\$56,084.00

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.