



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3257, **Agenda Item #:** 26.

10/15/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No.11 to the agreement with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc. to oversee ongoing planning efforts and implementation of the Plan to End Community Homelessness, to add one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$243,972, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,718,079.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$243,972 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

December 11, 2014 - Council approved negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc. to increase funding for community coordination activities related to homeless service improvements through the implementation of the coordinated assessment system, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, with five 12-month renewal options, each in an amount not to exceed \$219,500, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,317,000, on a 7-0 vote

August 28, 2014 - Council approved negotiation and execution of a contract with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc. for planning services and coordination related to aiding individuals experiencing homelessness, for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2014 and ending on September 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$159,000, with five 12-month renewal options, each in an amount not to exceed \$159,500, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$957,000, on a vote of 6-0 with Mayor Leffingwell off the dais.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 11 to the agreement with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc. (ECHO) to oversee ongoing planning efforts and implementation of the Plan to End Community Homelessness, to add one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$243,972, for an updated total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,718,079.

Amendment No. 10 exercised the fifth 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2019.

Amendment No. 9 exercised the fourth 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2018.

Amendment No. 8 added funds to the agreement and modified exhibits.

Amendment No. 7 exercised the third 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2017.

Amendment No. 6 added funds to the agreement and modified exhibits.

Amendment No. 5 added funds to the agreement and modified exhibits.

Amendment No. 4 exercised the second 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2016.

Amendment No. 3 added funds to the agreement and modified exhibits.

Amendment No. 2 exercised the first 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2015.

Amendment No. 1 added \$60,000 for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 and each of the five 12-month renewal options, each in an annual amount not to exceed \$219,500, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,317,000

The original agreement was developed with the Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc. (ECHO) for homeless planning services and coordination, for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2014 and ending on September 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$159,500, with five 12-month renewal options, each in an amount not to exceed \$159,500, for an original total agreement amount not to exceed \$957,000.

ECHO is dedicated to planning, prioritizing, and developing strategies to end homelessness in Austin/Travis County, Texas. The overall role of ECHO is to identify specific strategies to end homelessness and to oversee ongoing planning efforts and implementation of the Plan to End Community Homelessness.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.