



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1000, **Agenda Item #:** 38.

1/27/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 3 to the agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. to provide temporary work opportunities and supportive services to individuals experiencing homelessness, to add \$223,245 in one-time funding for a revised total agreement amount of \$1,990,827.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$223,245 is included in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

October 15, 2020 - Council ratified Amendment No. 2 to the agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. to provide temporary work opportunities and supportive services to individuals experiencing homelessness, to add one 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$943,082, for a revised total agreement amount of \$1,767,582, on an 11-0 vote.

May 21, 2020 - Council authorized the ratification of Amendment No. 1 to an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$104,500 in one-time funding, to provide mobile hygiene trailers for individuals experiencing homelessness in Austin/Travis County affected by COVID-19, for a revised agreement amount of \$824,500 with no extension options, on an 11-0 vote.

October 3, 2019 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. for provision of temporary employment opportunities for individuals experiencing homelessness in an amount not to exceed \$720,000 for a twelve-month period beginning October 1, 2019, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison absent.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize Amendment No. 3 to the current agreement with Family Eldercare to add \$223,245 in one-time funding for a revised total agreement amount of \$1,990,827. This funding will be used to provide temporary work to an additional crew of individuals experiencing homelessness (supported by staff from The Other Ones Foundation) who will focus on clean-up projects from the Watershed Protection Department.

Amendment No. 2 added one 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$943,082, for a revised total agreement amount of \$1,767,582.

Amendment No. 1 added \$104,500 to provide mobile hygiene trailers for individuals experiencing

homelessness, for a revised agreement amount of \$824,500.

The current social services agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. was established to provide temporary work opportunities and supportive services to individuals experiencing homelessness, in an original agreement amount not to exceed \$720,000, for a twelve-month period beginning October 1, 2019.

Family Eldercare serves as the administrative and fiscal agent, subcontracting with The Other Ones Foundation (TOOF), to provide outreach, daily paid employment opportunities, and supportive services to individuals experiencing homelessness, as an alternative to panhandling. TOOF's mission is to transition Austin's neighbors experiencing homelessness into an engaged community through shelter, support, nourishment, and love. TOOF connects individuals experiencing homelessness with temporary work opportunities in partnership with City Departments and other organizations.

Additional City Departments are participating in funding this program in Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Funding for this program will be used for eligible clean-up activities specific to the requirements of various funding sources, broken out by City Department and funding source as described below.

Department FY21 Funding Source Amount

Austin Resource Recovery - Clean Community Fee: \$300,000

Austin Public Health - General Fund: \$395,000

Parks and Recreation - General Fund: \$108,082

Watershed Protection - Drainage Utility Charge: \$363,245, which includes \$140,000 (original amount) and \$223,245 (Amendment No. 3 amount)

Total = \$1,166,327.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.