



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1179, **Agenda Item #:** 38.

3/4/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. to provide mobile hygiene services to people experiencing homelessness in the Austin/Travis County area to extend the term of the agreement through September 30, 2021 and add one-time funding in an amount not to exceed \$287,300, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$574,600.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$287,300 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

October 15, 2020 - Council ratified an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$287,300 for a term of September 30, 2020 through March 31, 2021, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$287,300, with an 11-0 vote.

June 4, 2020 - Council approved Resolution No. 20200604-40 adopting the COVID-19 proposed spending framework for the use of all available federal and local funding that maximizes the benefit of federal COVID-19 relief funding and local funding, with an 11-0 vote.

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. 1 to an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. that extends the term of the agreement through September 30, 2021 and add one-time funding in an amount not to exceed \$287,300, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$574,600. This agreement will provide services in support of Emergency Response and Public Health Needs activities under the City's COVID-19 Spending Framework.

The original agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. was funded to provide mobile hygiene services to people experiencing homelessness in the Austin/Travis County area in an amount not to exceed \$287,300 for a term of September 30, 2020 through March 31, 2021, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$287,300.

The Mobile Hygiene Clinic (MHC) delivers essential hygiene services to people experiencing homelessness in Austin/Travis County. The MHC's will be staffed by individuals enrolled in the Workforce First program (also through Family Eldercare, Inc. with subgrantee The Other Ones Foundation) who are supervised by a member of The Other Ones Foundation's Supportive Employment Specialist staff.

Showers, toilets, and hygiene supplies are provided to promote disease prevention for higher risk individuals experiencing homelessness. The MHC manages current gaps in services and provides a transition away from congregational service delivery to ensure individuals have access to sanitation, thereby reducing the risk of poor hygiene, infection, and disease transmission.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.