



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2815, Agenda Item #: 55.

9/30/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to an agreement with Austin Child Guidance Center to provide underserved family mental health services, to add one 12-month renewal option beginning October 1, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$198,725, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,377,022.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$198,725 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

November 20, 2014 - Council approved execution of a 37-month agreement with Austin Child Guidance Center for mental health services for low-income children and families residing in Austin/Travis County in the amount not to exceed \$536,376, with three 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$178,792, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,072,752, on a 6-0 vote with Council Member Tovo recusing herself from contracts associated with Theater Action Project/Creative Action.

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 7 to an agreement with Austin Child Guidance Center (ACGC) to provide services that address underserved family mental health, to add one 12-month renewal option beginning October 1, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$198,725, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,377,022.

Amendment No. 6 exercised the third extension option in the amount of \$198,725 for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,178,297.

Amendment No. 5 exercised the second extension option in the amount of \$198,725 for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$979,572.

Amendment No. 4 exercised the first extension option in the amount of \$198,725 for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$780,847.

Amendment No. 3 added \$4,847 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 for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$582,122.

Amendment No. 2 amended the contract exhibits and added \$8,718 due to a new budget policy where Council approved additional funding for social service contracts, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$577,275.

Amendment No. 1 added \$32,181 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, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$568,557.

The City entered into an agreement with ACGC in 2014 as a result of an Austin Public Health Department, Health Self-Sufficiency Request for Applications (also known as RFA) process. Services began on September 1, 2015 for an initial 37-month period ending on September 30, 2018 in the amount of \$536,376, with three 12-month extension options each in the amount of \$178,792 for a total agreement not to exceed \$1,072,752. This agreement provides mental health services to children and families residing in Austin/Travis County by providing mental health services to low-income populations. ACGC's Underserved Families Mental Health Program serves children and their families through case management, counseling, psychiatry, group therapy, and parenting classes.

ACGC is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that works cooperatively with mental health service providers, local school districts, juvenile probation offices, and clinics. In 2013, ACGC developed the Trauma Informed Care Consortium of Central Texas (also known TICC), which convenes over 35 child-serving agencies who work with children and families who have experienced trauma, shares resources and best practices, and provides training.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.