



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1665, Agenda Item #: 27.

5/5/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 3 to an agreement with Amala Foundation to provide mental health and wellness services for African American youth, to add two 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$72,500, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$362,500.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$72,500 is included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget. Funding for the remaining terms is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Prior Council Action:

June 20, 2019 - Council authorized the award, negotiation, and execution of an agreement with four social services agencies to provide African American mental health and wellness services in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for a 12-month term beginning July 1, 2019, with two 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,500,000, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison absent.

September 11, 2018 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20180911-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget that included \$500,000 additional ongoing funding for African American mental health and healthcare outreach services, on a vote of 10-1 with Council Member Troxclair voting no.

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of Amendment No. 3 to an agreement with the Amala Foundation will provide mental health and wellness services for students, parents, and staff in Austin schools with high percentages of African American students. The goal is to eliminate the barriers that have historically kept wellness-practices from the African American community in Austin/Travis County.

Amendment No. 2 exercised the second extension option in the amount of \$72,500 for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

Amendment No. 1 exercised the first extension option in the amount of \$72,500 for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

The current social services agreement with Amala Foundation was awarded for a 12-month term from July 1,

2019 to June 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$72,500, with two 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$72,500, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$217,500.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.