Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2896, **Agenda Item #:** 38. 9/15/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with Sunrise Community Church to provide street outreach services for an initial 12-month term beginning October 1, 2022 with four 12-month extension options, each in an amount not to exceed $150,000, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $750,000.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of $150,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget. Funding for the remaining terms is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of the negotiation and execution of an agreement with Sunrise Community Church will provide street outreach services.

This agreement was awarded through the Request for Proposal (RFP) 2022-004 Homeless Crisis Response Services. The request for proposal was informed by the Homeless Strategy Division and released on March 31, 2022. Two optional pre-bid meetings were held on April 4, 2022 and April 5, 2022. In addition, two optional virtual office hours meetings were held on April 12, 2022 and May 3, 2022. Applications were due May 12, 2022. Over 650 vendors were solicited, resulting in fifteen proposals submitted. Of the fifteen submitted, five proposals related to street outreach service and four proposals were awarded.

The application evaluation process used set criteria to uniformly review all applicants evaluated by a separate and independent panel. A review panel comprised of individuals with education and expertise in the issue-area rated each application. Evaluators agreed upon strengths and weaknesses of each application, and each received a resultant score based on this process. The criteria for evaluation included the following: fiscal and administrative capacity, experience and cultural competence/racial equity; program design and performance metrics; data-informed program management; and cost effectiveness.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.