Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3702, **Agenda Item #:** 44. 1/26/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 11 to an agreement with The SAFE Alliance to provide safety and support services to survivors of sexual and domestic abuse and/or violence, to add ongoing funding in an amount not to exceed $175,000 for the term ending on September 30, 2023, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed $7,188,212.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of $175,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

September 1, 2022 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 10 to an agreement with The SAFE Alliance, on an 11-0 vote.

September 30, 2021 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 9 to an agreement with The SAFE Alliance, on an 11-0 vote.

December 5, 2019 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 with The SAFE Alliance, on an 11-0 vote.

March 28, 2019 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 6 with The SAFE Alliance, on an 11-0 vote.

September 11, 2018 - Council authorized Ordinance No. 20180911-001 for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget that included $130,000 in one-time funding for relationship violence prevention and crisis response, on an 8-2 vote.

March 31, 2016 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of an amendments to agreements with 13 social service agencies to increase funding for self-sufficiency social services, on an 8-2 vote.

November 20, 2014 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of a contract with 33 social service agencies or other qualified offerers, 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:

The mission of The SAFE Alliance, previously named the Travis County Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Survival Center, doing business as SafePlace program, is to end sexual and domestic violence through safety, healing, prevention, and social change to residents of Austin/Travis County. The SAFE Alliance's Victim Services Program serves women, children and men who have experienced rape, sexual abuse and/or domestic violence.

This social services agreement with The SAFE Alliance was awarded an agreement through the 2014 Health and Human Services Department Self-Sufficiency Request for Applications, with services beginning on September 1, 2015 for an initial 37-month period in the amount of $2,166,000, with three 12-month extension options in the amount of $722,000 per extension option.

Amendment No. 10 added one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed $932,495, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $7,013,212.

Amendment No. 9 added one 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2021 in an amount not to exceed $932,495, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed $6,080,717.

Amendment No. 8 exercised the third extension option in the amount of $932,495 for the period of October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

Amendment No. 7 added $130,000 to the agreement to expand provision of early intervention services to address violence and abuse, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $4,215,727.

Amendment No. 6 exercised the second extension option in the amount of $802,495 and authorized one-time funding of $130,000 for the period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $4,085,727.

Amendment No. 5 exercised the first extension option in the amount of $802,495 for the period of October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

Amendment No. 4 added $19,573 to the 37-month base agreement, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $2,350,737.

Amendment No. 3 added $35,204 to the 37-month base agreement, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $2,331,164.

Amendment No. 2 changed the vendor's name.

Amendment No. 1 added $129,960 to the 37-month base agreement, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $2,295,960.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.

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