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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3770, Agenda Item #: 46.

1/26/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to an agreement with the Austin Independent School District to provide tutoring and academic support for youth, to add funding in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 to the current term and each of the four remaining renewals, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,804,489.

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.

Prior Council Action:

April 7, 2022- Council authorized the negotiation and execution of agreements with 17 social service agencies, on a 9-1 vote with Mayor Adler voting nay and Council Member Harper-Madison absent.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this funding for the Austin Independent School District's VICTORY Tutorial Program will provide tutoring and academic support for low-income youth. The program provides high quality, academic support to help students reach grade level standards in core subjects. Campus administration and teachers will be able to offer tutoring services to students with a high need and no access to resources, to increase academic achievement, advancement to the next grade, and/or graduation for all students served. The term for this agreement is from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

This agreement was awarded via a solicitation process. The Austin Public Health Department's Request for Applications 004-Youth Services 2021-AB was released on July 28, 2021 and applications were due on September 23, 2021. A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting took place on August 4, 2021 and August 5, 2021. The Austin Public Health Department received 38 applications.

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

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The Austin Public Health Department awarded agreements to 17 applicants. Each agreement has an initial base term of 15 months with four 12-month extension options.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.