



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1168, **Agenda Item #:** 29.

2/23/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a cooperative contract for a care management and population health management software platform with Groupware Technologies, LLC for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.

[Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the goods required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Austin Public Health Special Revenue Fund.

Purchasing Language:

This cooperative purchase program was reviewed for these goods. The Financial Services Department has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the services required at the best value for the City.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide a comprehensive care management and population health management software platform that supports integrated and collaborative HIV care management. This platform will manage all aspects of the Austin Public Health HIV Resources Administration Unit (HRAU) client-level data. HRAU currently utilizes the State of Texas' care management system, Take Charge Texas (TCT). Like other Texas HIV/AIDS programs, HRAU has experienced significant system functionality issues since the release of TCT. Continuing to use the TCT system presents ongoing challenges related to data entry and integrity, affecting the program's ability to meet grant requirements and ensure optimal health outcomes for program clients.

The acquisition of the proposed system will ensure efficient and effective implementation of a care management solution that helps contracted subrecipients provide outstanding care to people living with HIV in the Austin Transitional Grant Area, allows health care providers to provide care seamlessly, provides tools to aid in monitoring funding, client care, and contracted subrecipient performance, promotes eligibility

determination workflow management, and allows for secure data exchanges with third-parties to assist in data collection and required federal reporting.

This contract is being awarded through an interlocal agreement with Tarrant County. An interlocal agreement is an agreement between government entities (federal, state, local government, university, school district or other qualified cooperative organization) establishing the legal grounds for participating government entities to establish and share cooperative contracts. The City enters interlocal agreements to access the cooperative contracts of other governmental entities, as well as to share the City's cooperative contracts with other governmental entities.

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The agreement is entered into under the provision of Chapter 271, Subchapter F, Texas Local Government Code.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.