



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2845, **Agenda Item #:** 60.

9/21/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to an agreement with Jail to Jobs to provide community violence intervention services to individuals at highest risk of community violence, to add one 12-month extension beginning October 1, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$1,502,000, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$2,302,000.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,002,000 is available from the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance. Funding in the amount of \$500,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

July 28, 2022 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of an agreement with Jail to Jobs to provide community violence intervention services to at-risk individuals for a thirteen-month term beginning September 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$800,000, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Fuentes off the dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

Austin Public Health has been awarded funding through a Federal Congressional earmark via Congressman Lloyd Doggett's Office. This Byrne Discretionary Grants-project was authorized for funding in the 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Public Law 117-328). The funded project is titled "City of Austin Neighborhood Peace Project Expansion" rebranded as ATX Peace. ATX Peace is a collaboration between Jail to Jobs and Life Anew designed to provide Community Violence Intervention programming to individuals who are at highest risk of being impacted by community violence in crime hotspot locations. ATX Peace utilizes street outreach, conflict mediation, wraparound services, and community engagement to provide much needed support and services to individuals and neighborhoods to reduce acts of violence, enhance community cohesion, and actualize peace.

Jail to Jobs is a 501(c)3 organization focused on breaking the cycle of recidivism by providing employment-based mentoring, workforce development, basic needs, and emotional development to youthful offenders.