



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-3951, **Agenda Item #:** 19.

2/15/2024

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County and the Austin-Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation d/b/a the Sobering Center for the operation and management of a sobering center, for an initial six-month term beginning on April 1, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$1,251,394, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$9,969,566, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$11,220,960.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,251,394 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Sobering Center serves individuals who meet the legal definition of intoxication. The Austin-Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation d/b/a the Sobering Center (LGC) aims to enhance public health and public safety by providing an alternative to the emergency room and jail whereby individuals are referred and transported to the Sobering Center by law enforcement or emergency medical services. The original term of the three-way interlocal agreement between the City, Travis County, and the LGC began on October 1, 2018 and replaced a previous interlocal agreement between the City and the LGC that governed the establishment of the Sobering Center and the provision of limited services prior to the Sobering Center becoming fully operational.

The current interlocal agreement will include an initial six-month term starting on April 1, 2024 in the amount of \$1,251,394, a first 12-month extension option in the amount of \$2,431,316, a second 12-month extension option in the amount of \$2,512,750, a third 12-month extension option in the amount of \$2,512,750, and a fourth 12-month extension option in the amount of \$2,512,750.