

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-3952, Agenda Item #: 49.

2/29/2024

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to the agreement with American Gateways to stabilize the immigration status of detained and non-detained immigrants residing in Austin/Travis County, to add one six-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$210,000, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$2,046,505.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$210,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

March 25, 2021 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 3 to the agreement with American Gateways for immigration legal services and deportation defense to add funding in an amount not to exceed \$210,000 to the term of April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 and the one remaining 12-month extension option, and add one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$420,000, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,815,000, on an 11-0 vote.

February 21, 2019 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to the agreement with American Gateways for immigration legal services and deportation defense to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for each remaining 12-month extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$975,000, on an 11-0 vote.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to the agreement with American Gateways to stabilize the immigration status of detained and non-detained immigrants residing in Austin/Travis County.

Amendment No. 6 added \$21,505 to the agreement in one-time funds.

Amendment No. 5 exercised the fifth extension option for the period of April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$420,000.

Amendment No. 4 exercised the fourth extension option for the period of April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$420,000.

Amendment No. 3 added one additional extension option and \$210,000 in ongoing funding.

Amendment No. 2 exercised the second 12-month extension option through March 31, 2021.

Amendment No. 1 added \$150,000 to the first 12-month term and each of the remaining 12-month extension options.

On March 22, 2018, Council approved the agreement with American Gateways to provide immigration legal services and deportation defense, for a 12-month term beginning April 1, 2018 with four 12-month extension options. Funding for this agreement included \$60,000 in annual funding as well as \$75,000 in one-time funding for the first year.