



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

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**File #:** 24-4474, **Agenda Item #:** 10.

5/2/2024

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with the Travis County Healthcare District d/b/a Central Health for the Emergency Medical Services Department's provision of integrated health services to eligible Medical Access Program beneficiaries for an initial 12-month term with four 12-month extension options, for a total agreement amount of \$1,000,000 for the initial term, to be paid to the City.

### **Lead Department**

Emergency Medical Services.

### **Fiscal Note**

This item has no fiscal impact.

### **Prior Council Action:**

June 8, 2023 - City Council approved the execution of an amendment to and one-year renewal of an existing agreement with the Community Care Collaborative for the Emergency Medical Services Department to provide ground emergency medical transport services.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

The Emergency Medical Services Department has received reimbursement from the Travis County Healthcare District (d/b/a Central Health) for the Medical Access Program (MAP) patients for the past eleven or more years under previous interlocal agreements with Central Health. On June 1, 2013, Central Health and the Seton Healthcare Family created the Community Care Collaborative (CCC), which is a 501(c)(3) corporation designed to be an integrated delivery system that provides a coordinated continuum of services to a defined patient population. The CCC now oversees and funds the MAP and reimburses the City for the transport of MAP beneficiaries.

In October 2012, an initial agreement was executed with Community Care Collaborative and in October 2013 the City entered into a new agreement, which provided the ability for three additional one-year terms. The City exercised the renewals in 2014, 2015 and 2016. In October 2017, a new agreement was executed that included a renewal provision allowing up to three additional one-year terms. Under the 2017 agreement, CCC reimbursed the City \$696,822 for the emergency medical transport services EMS provides to eligible MAP beneficiaries during the renewal term. This new contract changes the reimbursement from transport services to services provided by ATCEMS Integrated Services, including but not limited to screening and triage of 911 calls, alternative transport, telemedicine, Naloxone distribution, and other similar services.