

#### CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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HCD16-43 The Montrose Center

Agenda Item#:

## **Summary:**

ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a contract between the City of Houston and **THE MONTROSE CENTER**, providing up to \$1,193,982.00 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the administration and operation of an Emergency Rental Assistance Program, including supportive services, for low income persons living with HIV/AIDS

### **Background:**

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a contract between the City of Houston and The Montrose Center (Montrose) to finance the operation of a HOPWA project, which provides (1) Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA); (2) Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utilities Assistance (STRMU); and (3) Supportive Services for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

The City will grant Montrose up to \$1,193,982 to provide TBRA, STRMU, and supportive services to a minimum of 300 low-income households. Through its rental assistance programs, Montrose provides rental subsidies to help participants at risk of becoming homeless obtain emergency and/or permanent housing assistance. Rental assistance will be provided as follows: (1) TBRA for 45 households and (2) STRMU for 255 households of persons living with HIV/AIDS. Montrose also provides permanent housing placement services (PHPS), case management, professional counseling and other supportive services.

Category	Contract Amount	Percent
Administrative	\$83,579.00	6.92%
Supportive Services	\$208,422.00	17.47%
Supportive Services -PHPS	\$23,029.00	1.93%
TBRA	\$300,000.00	25.15%
STRMU	\$578,952.00	48.53%
Total	\$1,193,982.00	100%

HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for program years 2015 and 2016 HOPWA contracts. Montrose was one of the agencies selected. The contract provides funding for a 12-month period from May 1, 2016 – April 30, 2017. Montrose has received HOPWA funding through the City of Houston for various contracts since 2012.

The Housing and Community Affairs Committee reviewed this item on March 22, 2016.

Neal Rackleff, Director Housing and Community Development Department

Amount of Funding: \$1,193,982.00 Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Fund 5000

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