

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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HCD20-54 Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc.

Agenda Item#: 24.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a First Contract Amendment between the City of Houston and Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc. (ACCT), providing \$629,500.00 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds for a project that 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.

ACCT will provide TBRA, STRMU, and supportive services to a minimum of 95 low-income households. The City of Houston is the HOPWA program administrator for multiple areas; including: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris Liberty, Montgomery, and Waller counties. Located in Galveston, ACCT provides rental subsidies to help participants at risk of becoming homeless obtain emergency and/or permanent housing assistance through its rental assistance programs. Supportive services include permanent housing placement services (PHPS), case management, and nutritional and transportation services. Housing assistance will be provided as follows: (1) TBRA for 50 households, (2) STRMU for 35 households, and (3) PHPS for 10 households of persons living with HIV/AIDS. The City of Houston provides approximately 65% of the costs for this HOPWA project.

Category	Total	Percent
Administrative	\$38,500.00	6%
Supportive Services	\$120,600.00	19%
Supportive Services – PHPS	\$15,400.00	2%
TBRA	\$350,000.00	56%
STRMU	\$105,000.00	17%
Total	\$629,500.00	100%

HCDD conducted a request for proposals for HOPWA contracts for fiscal year 2019, with an option for a one-year renewal. ACCT was one of the agencies selected. The initial contract term provides funding from May 1, 2019 – April 30, 2020. This first contract amendment provides funding through April 30, 2021.

Fiscal Note: No Fiscal Note is required on grant items

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Prior Council Action: 4/17/2019 (O) 2019-280

Amount of Funding: \$629,500.00 Federal Government – Grant Funded (5000)

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