



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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HCD16-44 Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc.

Agenda Item#:

Summary:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOUSTON AND ACCESS CARE OF COASTAL TEXAS, INC., PROVIDING UP TO \$440,015.00 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:

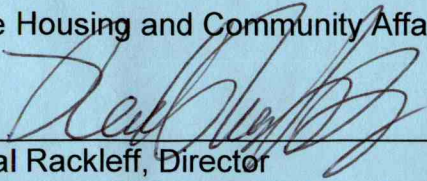
The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a contract between the City of Houston and Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc. (ACCT) to finance the operation of a HOPWA project, which provides (1) Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA); (2) Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and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

The City will grant ACCT up to \$440,015 to provide TBRA, STRMU, and supportive services to a minimum of 65 low-income households. The City of Houston is the HOPWA Program administrator for multiple areas, which includes the counties of Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, and Waller. 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. Services will be provided as follows: (1) TBRA for 30 households and (2) STRMU for 35 households of persons living with HIV/AIDS. Supportive services include case management, permanent housing placement services, nutritional and transportation services.

Category	Contract Amount	Percent
Administrative	\$30,800.00	7.00%
Supportive Services	\$90,000.00	20.45%
TBRA	\$230,000.00	52.27%
STRMUA	\$89,215.00	20.28%
Total	\$440,015.00	100.00%

HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for program years 2015 and 2016 HOPWA contracts. ACCT was one of the agencies selected. The contract provides funding for a 12-month period from May 1, 2016 – April 30, 2017. ACCT has received HOPWA funding through the City of Houston for various contracts since 2006.

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



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Amount of Funding:

\$440,015.00

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Fund 5000

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