



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 11/9/2016

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HCD16-94 Coalition for the Homeless

Agenda Item#:

Summary:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOUSTON AND COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT AND PROVIDING UP TO \$130,000.00 IN ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (“CDBG”) FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF STRATEGIC HOMELESS PLANNING SERVICES/ACTIVITIES; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a first contract amendment to extend the contract between the City of Houston and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County (The Coalition) to continue providing strategic homeless planning activities.

The Coalition addresses solutions to homelessness through collaborative resource development and service coordination in the areas of affordable housing, education, employment, transportation, child care, mental health, food, and shelter. Currently, the City receives millions of dollars in federal funding for homelessness. These planning activities are required to keep the program in regulatory compliance. Additionally, information gained through this planning process may result in an increase in future funding. Activities include the Community Strategic Plan to End Homelessness, permanent supportive housing implementation planning, and transitional housing inventory analysis.

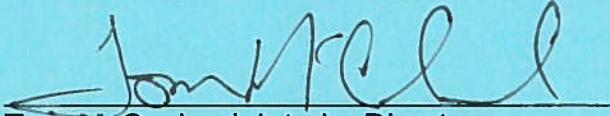
A critical part of the planning process is the Point-in-Time Enumeration, an annual count of homeless persons. The count is facilitated by the Coalition and is required of all communities receiving funding from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The count is reported to HUD, and is one factor in determining the amount of funding that our community receives in supportive housing program grants.

CDBG funds are providing 9% of the cost of these strategic planning activities.

Category	Amount	Percentage
Program Administration	\$12,785.37	10%
Program Services	\$117,214.63	90%
Total	\$130,000.00	100%

This first contract amendment will provide funding for a 12-month period, from December 1, 2016 - November 30, 2017.

The Housing and Community Affairs Committee reviewed this item on September 20, 2016.



Tom McCasland, Interim Director

Prior Council Action:

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Amount of Funding:

\$130,000.00

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - Fund 5000

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