

## AGENDA



Thursday, April 5, 2007

**Health and Human Services  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 5**

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**Subject:** Authorize execution of 12-month contracts for HIV-related services with AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, INC., Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$218,072; AUSTIN LATINO/A GAY ORGANIZATION (ALLGO), Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$159,908; AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER, Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$49,398; THE WRIGHT HOUSE WELLNESS CENTER, INC., Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$114,600; and PROJECT TRANSITIONS, INC., Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$53,022.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$347,083 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department. The contract period is March 1, 2007 through February 28, 2008. Funding for the remaining five months of the contract period is contingent on available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**For More Information:** Vince Cobalis, Asst. Director for Human Services, 972-5011; Mark Peppler, Manager, HIV Resources Administration, 972-5081; Linda Terry, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

**Prior Council Action:** Council approved Fiscal Year 2006-2007 budget, September 11, 2006

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**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Austin through the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) funds a broad array of health and social services for eligible individuals with HIV/AIDS in order to maintain or improve overall health, safety, and quality of life. The City continues to provide local funding for HIV services as part of the Maintenance of Effort requirement of the recently reauthorized Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006, Part A. The General Fund support for these contracts helps secure approximately \$3.5 million in annual funding under Part A of the HIV/AIDS Treatment Act.

Because of the delayed reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act and the unknown impact of new provisions on final funding amounts, the release of an RFA for City-funded HIV/AIDS services will be postponed until the consequences of reauthorization are known. This will enable HHSD to be clear on HIV/AIDS service gaps and know how to best invest City dollars.

Since the contracts are extended for one 12-month period only, the distribution of current Fiscal Year 2007 funds will be the same as last year's distribution as included on the attachment.