

AGENDA



Thursday, November 8, 2007

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 58**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 1 to an Interlocal Agreement with Austin/Travis County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center for the continuation of treatment services for certain Class B enhanced public intoxication offenders in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of Downtown Austin Community Court.

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

For More Information: Sydney Ceder, Senior Buyer/974-2035

Purchasing Language: Interlocal Agreement.

MBE/WBE: This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is an Interlocal agreement; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this contract.

Prior Council Action: 6/8/06 – Approved a 12-month service agreement with extension options available upon Council approval.

With the cooperation of the Travis County Attorney, County Court at Law Judges, MHMR, Travis County, and the Community Court, the plans were finalized for the establishment of a 90-day residential treatment facility for those individuals who have been charged with Class B Enhanced Public Intoxication. Travis County approved funding for two FTE Case Managers and a half-time nurse and psychiatrist for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 and the current Fiscal Year. In addition to counseling for substance abuse issued and appropriate referrals for mental health treatment, clients will be given life skills training and every effort will be made to secure long term housing and employment for those individuals completing the treatment cycle.

Amendment No. 1 will provide for a continuation of the services for an additional 120 days in order for the Downtown Austin Community Court to work with MHMR to modify the existing scope of work. This item will be brought back to Council, with a revised scope of work, at a meeting in late January or early February 2008 for approval.