

Thursday, September 30, 2010

Health and Human Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION Item No. 11

Subject: Approve the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER, dba Austin Travis County Integral Care, to provide Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) eligible services to youths and their families, for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$203,700, with one 12-month renewal option, an amount not to exceed \$203,700, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$407,400.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. Grant funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2010 federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

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

For More Information: Vince Cobalis, Asst. Director, Human Services, 972-5011; Stephanie Hayden Family and Youth Services Manager, 972-5017; Charles Kemp, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

Boards and Commission Action: June 22, 2010, Community Development Commission approval of the 2010-2011 Year Action Plan.

Prior Council Action: September 28, 2006, Approval of original Interlocal Agreement; July 23, 2009, Approval of the 2009-2010 Action Plan; June 22, 2010, Approval of the 2010-2011 Action Plan, and November 5, 2009 approval of the third year renewal.

Since 2001, the City of Austin, Travis County and the Austin Travis County Mental Health Retardation Center (ATCMHMR) have had a contract to establish a Youth and Family Assessment Center that would provide access to an array of services for youth and their families. The Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City and ATCMHMR Center for youth assessment services establishes a network providing services for eligible clients and their families through the Youth and Family Assessment Center (YFAC). ATCMHMR is doing business as Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC).

This interlocal agreement provides funding for services provided through the ATCMHMR Managed Services Organization (MSO) network. The City Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program provides funding of \$203,700 that is designated to pay for CDBG eligible services for youth and families. These services include education and training, assessment/evaluation, counseling/therapy, community supports (i.e. respite care, childcare, employment services, etc.) and enrichment services (after school programs, educational camps etc.)

The CDBG funds are administered by the Health and Human Services Department. The MSO will provide fiscal oversight and quality assurance for the youth and family services network established under this agreement.

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.