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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	9430	Agenda Number	21.
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Meeting Date:	9/22/2011	Department:	Health and Human Services
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 6 to the Interlocal Agreement with AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT; for child care quality improvement services and training for child care employees for a 6-month renewal in an amount not to exceed \$86,039 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$770,209.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$86,039 will be available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department. The period of the amended Agreement is October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012. Funding for the renewal is contingent on available funding in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

September 27, 2007 - Council approval of initial Interlocal Agreement. April 23, 2009 Council approved Amendment No. 3. June 23, 2011 - Council authorized extension of existing contracts through March 31, 2012.

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Boards and Commission Action:

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

On June 23, 2011, Council directed the City Manager to extend current contracts social services through March 31, 2012. Council approval of this 6-month renewal is requested to comply with that directive. New contracts resulting from the social services Request for Proposals process are anticipated to begin April 1, 2012, contingent on Council approval.

The agreement with Austin Community College (ACC) Child Development Department provides child care quality improvement services and training for child care employees. Two programs are provided through the agreement. The Accreditation Program assists child care providers in improving program quality and moving toward meeting voluntary quality standards such as those set by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The Teacher/Director TRAC (Training, Retention and Compensation) Program provides scholarships and academic guidance for child care teachers and directors taking college child development courses. Both ACC programs target

providers that serve a high percentage of low-income families, and they work in coordination with Workforce Solutions, the other City child care quality improvement contractor.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Related Departmental Goal: Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.

Output: Number of early childhood staff receiving training or technical assistance (unduplicated): 32 individuals

Outcome: Percent of participants that score a “C” grade or higher on coursework: 75%