

CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF BOARD CONSIDERATION:
CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

8/26/13
Austin Housing Finance Corporation

SUBJECT: Authorize the negotiation and execution of a three-year contract with the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN in the amount of \$500,000 to fund and administer a pilot, short-term rental voucher program for chronically homeless persons.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:	Austin Housing Finance Corporation
Project Name:	HACA Pilot Short-Term Rental Subsidy
Fund/Department/Unit:	8151-7207-0900
Funding Source:	Fiscal Year 12-13 Capital Budget
Current Appropriation:	10,000,000.00
Unencumbered Balance:	1,830,000.00
Amount of This Action:	<u>(500,000.00)</u>
Remaining Balance:	<u>1,330,000.00</u>
 Total Amount of this Action	 <u><u>500,000.00</u></u>

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: If approved, the Austin Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) will contract with the Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) to administer a rental subsidy voucher pilot program for up to three years, or until each program client has been matched with an appropriate permanent housing subsidy such as Housing Choice Voucher Program (formerly "Section 8"), Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), or other permanent voucher, or enters into public housing, whichever comes first.

On August 29, 2013, the Austin City Council approved Resolution #20130829-031 for the negotiation and execution of a contract with Austin/Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC) to provide mental and behavioral health and substance abuse treatment services to homeless individuals using funding from the 1115 Medicaid Waiver program.

Linking ATCIC's intensive services with this rental housing subsidy will create 15 new Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units as defined by the City's PSH strategy. Through this contract, HACA will serve as the primary administrator of housing and housing-related matters for the project including the inspection of units prior to occupancy and the payment of monthly rent to specified landlords.