

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: August 30, 2018

Item Number: **010**

Municipal Court

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center D/B/A Integral Care for the Homeless Street Outreach Team, which connects homeless individuals and families with the initial services necessary to achieve stability and recovery, to increase funding in the amount of \$195,000 effective September 1, 2018.

Lead Department	Municipal Court
Fiscal Note	Funding for this amendment in the amount of \$195,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget for Austin Public Health.
Prior Council Action	On October 5, 2017, Council approved agenda item 20171005-08 authorizing the addition of four 12-month renewal options to the existing interlocal agreement with Integral Care. On September 11, 2017, Council approved Ordinance No. 20170911-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget. On May 18, 2017, Council approved agenda item 20170518-016 approving negotiation and execution of a 12-month interlocal agreement with IC.
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Additional Backup Information:

HOST is a partnership of IC, the Austin Police Department, Emergency Medical Services, Downtown Austin Community Court, and the Downtown Austin Alliance. HOST identifies individuals who are homeless and the impediments preventing each individual from reaching their full potential. HOST then connects the individuals to appropriate services to address those impediments, such as medical care, behavioral care, case management, and housing.

Currently, IC provides three full-time staff to HOST: one Program Lead and two Qualified Mental Health Professionals. IC also provides access to a relief Advanced Practice Psychiatric Clinical Nurse. The amendment will fund a Certified Peer Specialist/Peer Recovery Coach to address the needs of individuals with mental health conditions or substance abuse disorders. The amendment will also include limited funding to allow staff to address immediate needs of the individuals, such as bus passes and fees to obtain official identification documents.