Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting: September 20, 2018

Public Health

Approve negotiation and execution of the third amendment to the interlocal agreement with Austin Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation to add funding in an amount not to exceed $500,000 for a total agreement amount not to exceed $2,003,359.

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<th>Lead Department</th>
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<td>Fiscal Note</td>
<td>Funding in the amount of $500,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget for the Austin Public Health Department.</td>
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<td>Prior Council Action</td>
<td>On June 28, 2018, Council approved Amendment No. 2 which changed this agreement’s scope of work to include implementation of direct program services on a 11-0 vote. On March 22, 2018, Council approved Amendment No. 1 which added the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 funding allocation to this agreement on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Pool absent. On December 15, 2016, Council approved an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation beginning on February 1, 2017 on a 10-1 vote with Council Member Zimmerman voting no. On September 22, 2016, Council approved Resolution No. 20160922-020, which approved the creation of the Austin Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation on an 8-1 vote with Council Member Zimmerman abstaining, Council Member Casar off the dais and Council Member Troxclair absent. On June 23, 2016, Council approved an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County for the creation of a Local Government Corporation to manage and operate a planned sobriety center on a 10-1 vote with Council Member Zimmerman voting no.</td>
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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3 with the Sobering Center to increase the Fiscal Year 2018 budget by adding funds.

Amendment No. 2 authorized changes in the scope of work to include implementation of direct service delivery through the opening of the Sobering Center in August 2018. The amended program work statement includes program goals and objectives, clients served, program services and delivery, service coordination, data collection methods, and program evaluation.

Amendment No. 1 provided for a 12-month extension option to the interlocal agreement between the City and the Sobering Center, and enables the Sobering Center to continue actions necessary to establish a sobering center, including but not limited to the hiring of an Executive Director, administrative support personnel, accounting services, legal counsel, and purchasing supplies and equipment as appropriate for the implementation of a sobering center.

On September 22, 2016, Council approved Resolution No. 20160922-020, authorizing the creation of the Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation (LGC); approving its Articles of Incorporation and bylaws; appointing the initial directors of its board; authorizing the filing of the Articles of Incorporation; and directing the City Manager and City staff to perform all such acts necessary or desirable in carrying out the terms and provisions of the resolution. On November 2, 2016, the Texas Secretary of State filed the certificate of formation and issued the certificate of filing evidencing the existence of the newly created, non-profit LGC.