



**RBA: Holly Neighborhood Home Repair Authorization
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of a construction agreement with On-Call Management Services, Inc. of Austin, Texas and Valdez Remodeling & Weatherization Inc. of Austin, Texas to provide repairs and rehabilitation work on homes in the Holly Neighborhood.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Austin Housing Finance Corporation through the Austin Energy Holly Good Neighbor Program.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT: Austin Housing Finance Corporation

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PRIOR BOARD ACTION: On September 24, 2009, the Austin Housing Finance Corporation authorized negotiation and execution of a one-year service agreement with the City of Austin.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: January 14, 2010 – Council passed a resolution allocating \$550,000 to the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. September 24, 2009 – Council authorized negotiation and execution of a one-year service agreement with Austin Housing Finance Corporation.

The Austin Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) administers the Holly Good Neighbor Program, funded by Austin Energy, to repair homes of income-eligible homeowners located near the former Holly Power Plant.

On April 12, 2010, AHFC issued an Invitation for Bid/Best Value (IFB/BV) solicitation to the public. A mandatory pre-bid conference was held on April 21, 2010 where 18 firms from the construction industry expressed interest. 6 bids were received on April 26, 2010. Based on an established evaluation matrix, the top two bids are awarded contracts.

This action will authorize AHFC to execute the disbursement of \$500,000 in funding to On-Call Management Services and Valdez Remodeling & Weatherization Inc. These contractors will provide eligible repairs to approved applications.

Founded in 2003, the Holly Good Neighbor Program, currently funded by Austin Energy, assists low- and moderate-income residents closest to the Holly Power Plant with substantial repairs and rehabilitation to their homes. Eligible repairs include exterior paint, roofing, electrical system work, plumbing, foundation work, and solar panels installation. An applicant's gross annual household income may not exceed 100 percent of Median Family Income (MFI). Since its inception, the Holly Good Neighbor Program has assisted 124 families. AHFC will be able to expedite the repair of approximately 20 additional homes under this contract.