

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL**

**Regular Meeting: October 5, 2017**

Item Number: **008**

**Municipal Court**

Authorize the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center D/B/A Integral Care (IC) for the Homeless Outreach Street Team (HOST), to connect homeless individuals and families with services necessary to begin their process of stability and recovery, by adding four 12-month renewal options, in the amount of \$242,354 per renewal option, beginning October 1, 2017, for a total increase in an amount not to exceed \$969,416, and a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,211,770.

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| <b>Fiscal Note</b>          | Funding for the first renewal option in the amount of \$242,354 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget for the Municipal Court. Funding for the remaining renewal options is contingent upon availability of funding in future budgets. There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required. |
| <b>Prior Council Action</b> | 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 Integral Care.   |
| <b>For More Information</b> | Peter Valdez, Court Administrator for DACC, 512-974-4873; Susan Requejo, Administrative Manager for DACC, 512-974-1233; Robert Kingham, Contract Management Specialist for DACC, 512-974-1394.  |

**Additional Backup Information**

The new Homelessness Outreach Street Team, known as HOST, is a partnership between the Austin Police Department (APD), Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Integral Care (IC), Downtown Austin

Community Court (DACC) and the Downtown Austin Alliance (DAA). Together, these organizations are proactively reaching out to individuals living on the streets to help them connect to the services they need to get back on their feet and reach their full potential.

Integral Care provides three (3) full time employees to the HOST team: one (1) Program Lead and two (2) Qualified Mental Health Professionals. IC will also provide access to one (1) relief Advance Practice Psychiatric Clinical Nurse.

HOST is one piece of the larger effort to move individuals from homelessness to improved well-being and housing stability. The purpose and goal of HOST is to identify individuals who are homeless, learn what challenges they face and work to connect them to services such as medical and behavioral health care, case management and housing.

Outcomes expected from HOST include reduced EMS transports, emergency room visits, and jail bookings, generating significant savings for the community. Austin Travis County Integral Care will work on increasing connection to case management, social services, medical care, behavioral health services, and housing, which will help individuals improve their well-being and work toward reaching their full potential.

| <b>HOST Performance Measure</b>   | <b>FY17 Proposed</b> | <b>FY17 Actual as of 7/31/17</b> | <b>FY18 Proposed</b> |
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| <b>Outputs:</b>   |                      |                                  |                      |
| Total Number of contacts  | 600                  | 983                              | 600                  |
| Total Number of unduplicated individuals engaged/served   | 500                  | 639                              | 500                  |
| Total Number of individuals linked to services necessary to begin their process of stability and recovery | 300                  | 696                              | 300                  |
| <b>Outcomes:</b>  |                      |                                  |                      |
| % of contacts who receive medical services  | 10%                  | 17.40%                           | 10                   |
| % of contacts diverted from ER visit  | 5%                   | 6.51%                            | 5                    |
| % of contacts diverted from psychiatric emergency department  | 5%                   | 2.75%                            | 5                    |
| % of contacts diverted from criminal justice involvement  | 10%                  | 1.93%                            | 10                   |
| % of contacts connected to mental health services   | 15%                  | 9.87%                            | 15                   |
| % of contacts connected to substance use treatment services   | 5%                   | 3.87%                            | 5                    |