

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 75187 Agenda Number 26.

Meeting Date: 9/28/2017 Department: Neighborhood Housing and Community Development

Subject

Authorize the negotiation and execution of a one-year contract with FAMILY ELDERCARE, INC. to fund and administer the Senior Services Program in an amount not to exceed \$134,000 with one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$134,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$268,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. Funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2017 federal funds from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant. Funding for the 12-month extension option is contingent upon the availability of funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	September 22, 2016 – Council approved a one-year service agreement to expire September 30, 2017.
For More Information:	Contact Rosie Truelove, Interim Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, 512-974-3064; or Fernando Hernandez-Garza, Program Manager, Neighborhood Development, 512-974-3114.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
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Additional Backup Information	

If approved, funding will be provided for a one year contract with Family Eldercare, Inc. with one 12-month extension option subject to the approval of the subrecipient and the City Purchasing Officer or their designee. Continuation of the Contract beyond the initial 12 months is specifically contingent upon the availability and allocation of funding by City Council. In addition, annual performance measures will be negotiated as part of the extension option.

Services to be provided by Family Eldercare under the contract include: guardianship services to assist at least 32 clients, and bill payer services to assist at least 243 clients. The contract term shall be from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

The City's 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan notes the increasing aging population of Austin, specifically in the 45-64 range. Consequently, access to senior services was identified as a high priority public service need. Funding of these senior services programs helps prevent and protect Austin residents age 55 or older from becoming victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and enables them to live independently for as long as possible. The program promotes and fosters increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations. All clients are required to have income levels at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and meet asset guidelines set by Family Eldercare.

NHCD hereby designates Family Eldercare, Inc. as a subrecipient for the Senior Services Program contract for fiscal year 2017-18 based upon their experience for more than 17 years. Family Eldercare is a specialized provider of senior services. Family Eldercare has a record of meeting contract performance goals and achieving success with program requirements.