

## AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

## AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 13, 2018

Item Number: 105

## Public Health

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center, dba Integral Care, for the expansion of homeless outreach services to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$130,000 for the current term and for each of the two remaining 12-month extension options, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$9,687,380.

<b>Lead Department</b>	Austin Public Health.
<b>Fiscal Note</b>	Funding in the amount of \$130,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Public Health. Funding for the remaining extension options of the agreement is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.
<b>Prior Council Action</b>	On September 11, 2018, Council approved Ordinance No. 20180911-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget including \$130,000 in new ongoing funding for homeless outreach and navigation services on a 10-1 vote with Council Member Troxclair voting no. On October 6, 2016, Council authorized an agreement with Integral Care for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2016 with four 12-month renewal options, on a 9-0 vote, Council Member Zimmerman abstained, and Council Member Troxclair absent.
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**Additional Backup Information:**

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with Integral Care for Main Mental Health Services to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$130,000 for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2019 and each of the two remaining 12-month extension options, in order to expand homeless outreach and navigation services through the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Team. The PATH program is one of several programs partially funded through this current agreement with Integral Care.

Amendment No. 4 exercised the second 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2018. Amendment No. 3 added \$45,757 for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 term, based on a 2.5% cost of living adjustment approved by Council during the annual budget adoption. Amendment No. 2 exercised the first 12-month extension option beginning October 1, 2017. Amendment No. 1 added \$40,987 for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 term, based on a 2.3% cost of living adjustment approved by Council during the annual budget adoption.

Integral Care is designated by the State of Texas as the Mental Health and Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Local Authority for Austin/Travis County. City funding in this agreement serves as a grant match for millions of dollars of state and federal funds for early childhood intervention services, homeless services, behavioral health services, and intellectual/developmental disability services to residents of Austin/Travis County. In addition, funding for this agreement supports mental health disaster preparedness, outreach and prevention, education and awareness, community planning, and maintenance of infrastructure. Included in this agreement is funding for PATH, a federally funded program designed to provide active outreach to areas where individuals are homeless and disenfranchised. Specialists work to develop an honest, helpful relationship towards a consumer-directed plan. The program contains outreach and engagement specialists, psychiatrists, a certified medical assistant, and a licensed clinical supervisor linking consumers with established mainstream services and resources. Length of service in the PATH program varies based on individual needs. Increased funding through Amendment No. 5 will expand the PATH program by two additional team members, increasing homeless outreach and navigation capacity throughout Austin/Travis County, and connecting more individuals to services and housing resources.