



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1012, **Agenda Item #:** 37.

1/23/2020

Posting Language

Approve a resolution to authorize acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$35,135 from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the Ending Homelessness Fund. Related to Item #36.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$35,135 is available from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) recently announced allocation of grants through the Ending Homelessness Fund (EHF) for cities receiving other TDHCA funding for homeless services. These funds come from the voluntary contributions of Texans during Vehicle Registration. This is the first year allocations will be made available from the EHF. The grant program design reflects the current Homeless Housing and Services Program (HHSP) administered by TDHCA and the grant period is December 1, 2019 through November 30, 2020.

On June 5, 2019, the City received notification of funding allocation for Austin in the amount of \$35,135. On November 25, 2019, the City received contract documents from TDHCA to complete for a program period of December 1, 2019 to November 30, 2020.

Austin Public Health will contract with the Youth and Family Alliance, Inc., dba LifeWorks to use EHF funding to supplement the new HHSP Youth Set Aside Program for operations, transitional housing, case management, street outreach and housing assistance for homeless youth and young adults up to age 24. LifeWorks is the recipient of funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (also known as HUD) for the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program and coordinates with several community partners to end youth homelessness. Performance measures will be negotiated during contract development.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.

This action will provide the Resolution required by Section 7.22(d) of the Texas Administrative Code to be approved by the receiving entity's governing body (1) authorizing execution of the contract for EHF funding; (2) identifying the title of the person authorized to represent the entity and possessing signature authority to execute the contract; and (3) dated not more than twelve months from the date of contract execution.