




MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Stephanie Hayden, Director 

DATE: May 19, 2020

SUBJECT: Staff Response to Resolution 20200409-33 Austin Public Health

On April 9, 2020, Council approved Resolution #20200409-33, directing the City Manager to evaluate proposals from existing or new social service providers to expand tax preparation and direct deposit assistance, including outreach efforts to targeted low-income communities, and return to City Council for approval or ratification of needed contractual agreements by the April 23, 2020, City Council meeting.

In response to this resolution, on April 23, 2020, Austin Public Health brought forward a Recommendation for Council Action (RCA) to negotiate and execute amendment #7 with Foundation Communities to provide tax assistance services for community members seeking CARES Act assistance. Council approved this recommendation which authorized Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment 7 with Foundation Communities in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 in one-time emergency funding to provide outreach and tax assistance services to community members seeking CARES Act tax relief. This item is now complete.

If you have any questions, or if I can provide additional information, please contact me at (512) 972-5010 or via email at Stephanie.Hayden@austintexas.gov.

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