



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2902, **Agenda Item #:** 133.

8/27/2020

Posting Language

Approve ratification of Amendment No. 1 to the agreement with the Austin Public Education Foundation to provide emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools, increasing funding in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the current term through September 15, 2020, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$2,319,350.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund for Relief in a State of Emergency Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief.

Prior Council Action:

June 4, 2020 - Council ratified an agreement with Austin Public Education Foundation to provide emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools in an amount not to exceed \$1,319,350 for the term May 21, 2020 through August 31, 2020, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison off the dais.

May 7, 2020 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20200507-057 amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000 to support emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools who are experiencing food shortages due to COVID-19; and declaring an emergency, on an 11-0 vote.

May 7, 2020 - Council approved Resolution No. 20200507-058 authorizing the City Manager to take the actions necessary to allocate up to \$2.2 million for caregiver meals to be delivered through Austin-area school district school meal distribution sites, and to discuss with additional local school districts and Travis County the coordination of caregiver meals to assist with COVID-19 public health precautions, on an 11-0 vote.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize Amendment No. 1 with Austin Public Education Foundation for the COVID-19 Economic Recovery and Caregiver Meals Program to provide emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools, increasing funding in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the current term through September 15, 2020.

The original agreement was developed with Austin Public Education Foundation to provide emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools who are experiencing food shortages due to COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$1,319,350 for the term May 21, 2020 through August 31, 2020.

These funds will be used for emergency food access for caregivers of students who are in Austin area schools. Local vendors impacted by COVID-19 and experiencing business interruptions as a result thereof will be contracted to prepare the caregiver meals to assist with economic recovery efforts and ensure vendors' employees maintain employment as a result of this contract.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment; Economic Opportunity and Affordability.