



## Recommendation for Action

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**File #: 22-2646, Agenda Item #: 79.**

**9/1/2022**

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 10 to the agreement with Sustainable Food Center to support electronic benefits transfer technology and produce purchase incentives for farmers' markets, to add two 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$77,003, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$793,582.

### **Lead Department**

Austin Public Health.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$77,003 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget. Funding for the remaining terms is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

### **Prior Council Action:**

September 17, 2020 - Council approved Amendment No. 8 to add two 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$77,003, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$897,180, on an 11-0 vote.

April 7, 2016 - Council approved Amendment No. 1 to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$110,156 for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$179,436 for the term of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016, with four 12-month renewal options each in an amount not to exceed \$179,436, for a total a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$897,180, on a 10-0 vote, with Council Member Zimmerman abstaining.

November 12, 2015 - Council approved a 12-month agreement with Sustainable Food Center beginning October 2015 with four 12-month renewal options, each in an amount not to exceed \$69,280, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$346,600, on an 11-0 vote.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

Approval of Amendment No. 10 will allow the continued provision of basic needs electronic benefits transfer technology and produce purchase incentives for farmers' markets to provide underserved families access to nutritious foods.

Amendment No. 9 exercised the sixth extension option in the amount of \$77,003 for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022.

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Amendment No. 8 added two extension options and exercised the fifth extension option in the amount of \$77,003 for the period of October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

Amendment No. 7 exercised the fourth extension option in the amount of \$77,003 for the period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020.

Amendment No. 6 exercised the third extension option in the amount of \$77,003 for the period of October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

Amendment No. 5 added a 2.5% cost of living increase in the amount of \$1,878.

Amendment No. 4 exercised the second extension option in the amount of \$75,125 for the period of October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

Amendment No. 3 added funds in the amount of \$75,125 for the period of October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017.

Amendment No. 2 exercised the first extension option in the amount of \$0 for the period of October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017.

Amendment No. 1 added funds in the amount of \$110,156 for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and to each of the four extension options, for a total amount not to exceed \$897,180.

The current social services agreement with Sustainable Food Center was awarded in Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the provision of the Double Up Food Bucks Program, which allows families and individuals who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits, Women, Infants, and Children Electronic Benefits Transfer fruit and vegetable benefits, and/or Farmers' Market Nutrition Program vouchers, to double the dollar amount they can spend on fruits and vegetables at Sustainable Food Center farmers' markets. Services began on October 1, 2015 for an initial 12-month term ending on September 30, 2016 in the amount of \$69,280, with four 12-month extension options each in the amount of \$69,280, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$346,400.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Economic Opportunity and Affordability, Health and Environment.