Housing and Community Affairs Committee

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AGENDA
Tuesday, September 20, 2016 10:00 AM  
City Hall Council Chambers

Call to Order/Welcome Remarks – Council Member Mike Laster, Chair

I. Planning & Grants Management

For review and possible authorization:

a) **Disaster Recovery 2 Multifamily Contract** - (Districts B, D, H) - An Ordinance authorizing Amendment #4 to the Disaster Recovery 2 Multifamily Program contract, extending the contract until 12/31/2018

b) **African American Library at Gregory School** - (District I) - An Ordinance authorizing the appropriation/allocation of $237,500 in Economic Development Initiative – Special Projects grant funds for construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School, and to substitute these funds for $237,500 in Community Development Block Grant funds previously spent on construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School

Presentation:
- Tom McCasland, Interim Director, Housing and Community Development Department
- Brenda Scott, Deputy Director

II. Economic Development

For review and possible authorization:

a) **HBDI Section 108 Loan Resolution** - (District D) - An Ordinance authorizing an Agreement of Resolution of HBDI's Section 108 Loan balance in exchange for bridge financing for future projects in partnership with the City

Presentation:
- Tom McCasland, Interim Director, Housing and Community Development Department
- Ana Patino-Martinez, Division Manager
III. Multifamily Housing
For review and possible authorization:
  a) Independence Heights 4% Tax Credits Motion for Public Hearing - (District H) - Establishing a date for a public hearing to provide a Resolution of No Objection for the 4% tax credit application of APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority
  b) Independence Heights 4% Tax Credits Resolution of No Objection - (District H) - A Resolution of No Objection for the 4% tax credit application of APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority

Presentation:
  • Tom McCasland, Interim Director, Housing and Community Development Department
  • Ryan Bibbs, Division Manager

IV. Public Services
For review and possible authorization:
  a) LISC Job Training Program - (District C) - A First Amendment extending the time of performance for a contract between the City of Houston and Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) to administer and operate a job training program
  b) Coalition for the Homeless Contract - (All Districts) - An Ordinance authorizing a $130,000 First Contract Amendment to extend the contract between the City of Houston and Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County to continue providing strategic homeless planning activities
  c) Brentwood Community Residence Contract - (District K) - An Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and Brentwood Economic Community Development Corp., dba Brentwood Community Foundation, providing $551,607.75 in HOPWA funds for the operation and administration of a community residence and an emergency rental assistance program (with supportive services) for low-income individuals/families living with HIV/AIDS
  d) Catholic Charities Rental Assistance Contract - (District C) - An Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, providing $995,166.75 in HOPWA funds for multiple rental assistance programs (with supportive services) for individuals/families living with HIV/AIDS
  e) Houston Area Community Services Rental Assistance Contract - (All Districts) - An Ordinance authorizing a $4,230,750 First Contract Amendment, exercising the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston Area Community Services for rental assistance programs and operations (with supportive services) for individuals/families affected by HIV/AIDS
  f) Houston SRO Contract - (District D) - An Ordinance authorizing a $141,365 First Contract Amendment, exercising the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston SRO Housing Corporation for administration and operation of a HOPWA community residence with supportive services for individuals affected by HIV/AIDS
  g) SEARCH House of Tiny Treasures Contract - (District I) - An Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and SEARCH Homeless Services, providing $144,551 in HOPWA funds for a supportive services program offering childcare for homeless families living with HIV/AIDS

Presentation:
  • Tom McCasland, Interim Director, Housing and Community Development Department
  • Melody Barr, Deputy Assistant Director
V. Public Facilities
For review and possible authorization:

a) **Harmony House Transitional Housing and PSH for Homeless** - (District H) - An Ordinance authorizing approval of a contract between the City of Houston and the Harmony House Inc., providing $3,000,000 in TIRZ funds for construction of a homeless persons facility at 702 Girard Street

b) **Bering Omega Contract Amendment** - (District D) - An Ordinance amending a contract between the City of Houston and Bering Omega to include Houston Area Community Services (HACS) as the manager for construction and operator of program services for the property located at 2920 Fannin Street, Houston, TX 77002 to be used as a community facility

c) **Star of Hope Campus Construction** - (District D) - An Ordinance authorizing a contract between the City of Houston and the Star of Hope Mission providing $800,000 in Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Affordable Housing funds for the permit fees associated with construction of Star of Hope Mission's Cornerstone Community

d) **Star of Hope Land Use Restriction** - (District D) - An Ordinance authorizing a contract Amendment between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission to decrease the land use restriction term on the property at 419 Dowling Street from ten years to five years from the Effective Date

e) **Star of Hope Land Use Transfer** - (District D) - An Ordinance authorizing a contract Amendment between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission transferring the remaining time of the five-year land use restriction on the property at 419 Dowling to the new facility under construction at 2575 Reed Road

Presentation:
- Tom McCasland, Interim Director, Housing and Community Development Department
- Ana Patino-Martinez, Division Manager

VI. Public Comments
Action may be taken on any or all of the above items.
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For information about this committee, contact Jeremy Harris, 832.393.3369.

VII. Director’s Comments
Tom McCasland, Interim Director, Housing and Community Development Department
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing Amendment #4 to the Disaster Recovery 2 Multifamily Program contract, extending the contract until 12/31/2018

FROM (Department or other point of origin):
Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

For additional information contact: Council District(s) affected:
Roxanne Lawson  B, D, H

Origination Date: 08/05/16
Agenda Date

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action:
Ord. #2011-1084 – 12/07/2011
Ord. #2015-0320 – 04/15/2015

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing Amendment #4 to the Disaster Recovery 2 Multifamily Program contract, extending the contract until 12/31/2018

Amount of Funding: No New Funding

SOURCE OF FUNDING: General Fund Grant Fund Enterprise Fund Other

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION: The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has a contract with the City of Houston for Hurricane Ike Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery (DR) Round 2, Phase 2, Multifamily Program funds. To date, the contract has been amended three times.

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) proposes a fourth amendment to extend the end date of the contract to December 31, 2018. This will ensure consistency and completion of services for all multifamily projects assisted with the Disaster Recovery Round 2 funding. GLO is willing to grant this extension.

HCDD published a 15-day public notice for Amendment #4 in the Houston Chronicle on Monday, August 15, 2016. To date, no comments have been received.

The Housing and Community Affairs Committee reviewed this item on September 20, 2016.

TM:BS:DS:PC

cc: City Secretary Legal Department City Attorney Finance Department

Attachment

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION:

Finance Director: Other Authorization:

Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing the appropriation/allocation of $237,500 in Economic Development Initiative – Special Projects grant funds for construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School, and to substitute these funds for $237,500 in Community Development Block Grant funds previously spent on construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School.

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

Senator’s Signature:

Origination Date
9/9/16

Agenda Date

Council District affected: 1

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: April 16, 2008; 2008-332

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation/allocation of $237,500 in Economic Development Initiative – Special Projects grant funds for construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School, and to substitute these funds for $237,500 in Community Development Block Grant funds previously spent on construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School.

Amount of Funding: $237,500

SOURCE OF FUNDING
[ ] General Fund  [X] Grant Fund  [ ] Enterprise Fund  [ ] Other

Economic Development Initiative – Special Projects (EDI-SP) Grant

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

On April 16, 2008, City Council passed and adopted an Ordinance awarding a construction contract to Prime Contractors, Inc. for the proposed amount of $8,512,000 to provide construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School for the Houston Public Library. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) provided $2,400,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to the project. Construction services for the project were completed in August 2010.

During 2009, Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee facilitated the awarding of a special appropriation to the City for the project in the amount of $237,500 Economic Development Initiative – Special Projects (EDI-SP) grant funds. The Assistance Award Form for the funding was executed by the City and by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in February 2011. The City did not utilize these EDI funds for the project and now these funds are set to expire on September 30, 2016.

HCDD is requesting City Council approval to appropriate/allocate $237,500 in expiring EDI-SP funds for construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School and to substitute these funds for $237,500 in CDBG funds previously spent on construction services for the African American Library at the Gregory School. Once approved, the returned CDBG funds will be utilized towards future CDBG eligible projects, and contribute towards the effort of creating complete communities.

TM:DS

cc: Finance Department
Legal Department
Mayor’s Office
City Secretary

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing an Agreement of Resolution of HBDI's Section 108 Loan balance in exchange for bridge financing for future projects in partnership with the City

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

COUNCIL DISTRICT AFFECTED: District D

DATE AND IDENTIFICATION OF PRIOR AUTHORIZING COUNCIL ACTION: 3/9/2011 (O) 2011-183

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing an Agreement of Resolution of HBDI’s Section 108 Loan balance in exchange for bridge financing for future projects in partnership with the City

AMOUNT OF FUNDING: No additional funding required

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [ ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund
[ X ] Other (Specify) Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:
The Housing and Community Development Department requests Council approve the authorization of an Agreement of Resolution between the City of Houston and HBDI regarding the remaining Section 108 Loan balance.

In January 2007, City Council approved City of Houston Ordinance 2007-141 providing additional EDI funds to support the City's Section 108 notes in the amount of $8,890,000. HBDI was awarded and successfully deployed $8,290,000 through small business loans, creating jobs for low- to moderate-income residents of the Houston area. Due to underperforming loans, HBDI has difficulty maintaining its minimum payments under the current Amended and Restated Subrecipient Promissory Note, which has an outstanding balance of $1,540,646.47.

At the time EDI funds were awarded, HBDI and the City held a mutual understanding that EDI funds could be used as a loan loss guarantee in the event a small business could not fully repay its loan. However, EDI regulations limit how the loan loss reserve can be used and this reserve is not available to service the current outstanding balance. As a result, HBDI will likely fail to repay unless additional assistance is provided.

Formerly known as the City of Houston Small Business Development Corporation, HBDI has been a strong partner for over 29 years and has served as a vital instrument of the City to carry out HCDD's economic development mission.

In return for the proposed Agreement of Resolution of its Section 108 Loan balance, HBDI will provide bridge loans totaling $1,540,646.47. These loans will provide gap funding for economic development projects in partnership with the City. Over the next five years, the City will propose projects under the HBDI’s guidelines and receive priority consideration.

HCDD, on behalf of the City, now desires and proposes to finally resolve the matter of the outstanding balance owed to the City which was incurred by HBDI while acting as a government component unit and subrecipient of the City, by allowing HBDI to make alternative contributions to the City totaling the amount of the remaining balance.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM: APM: AS

Cc: City Attorney
Mayor’s Office
City Secretary
Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

| Finance Department Director: | Other Authorization: | Other Authorization: |
TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: Establishing a date for a public hearing to provide a Resolution of No Objection for the 4% tax credit application of APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6308

For additional information contact: Council District affected:
District H

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of a motion establishing a date for a public hearing to provide a Resolution of No Objection for the 4% tax credit application of APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority

Amount of Funding: None

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [ ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund
No funding required

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) administers the state’s housing tax credit program, which provides federal tax credits to spur the development of quality, affordable housing.

Per Texas Government Code Section 2306-67071 and the TDHCA's 2016 Qualified Action Plan, the local governing body of the jurisdiction where a project is to be located must "hold a hearing ...to solicit public input concerning the Application or Development" before a developer can submit an application for non-competitive 4% tax credits.

APV Redevelopment Corporation intends to submit an application to the TDHCA requesting an award of 4% tax credits for Independence Heights – a 154-unit affordable housing community to be located at 8606 North Main Street. HCDD invested $750,000 to assist with acquisition of the site for the Houston Housing Authority. That acquisition was authorized in an ordinance approved by City Council on April 1, 2015.

HCDD requests a motion to hold a public hearing October 5, 2016 on the 4% tax credit Resolution of No Objection.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM:RB

cc: Mayor's Office
City Secretary
Legal
Finance

REQUICKED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
16 – Res. no objection

SUBJECT: A Resolution of No Objection for the 4% tax credit application of APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director 
Housing and Community Development Department

Origination Date: 6/20/16

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

Council District(s) affected: District H

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action:

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of a Resolution of No Objection for the 4% tax credit application of APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority

Amount of Funding: None

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund  [ ] Grant Fund  [ ] Enterprise Fund

No funding required

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

On April 1, 2015, City Council passed an ordinance authorizing an interlocal agreement of up to $750,000 between the City of Houston and the Houston Housing Authority for site acquisition to construct Independence Heights Apartments, a 154-unit affordable housing community located at 8606 North Main Street.

APV Redevelopment Corporation, an affiliate of the Houston Housing Authority, intends to submit an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) requesting an award of non-competitive 4% tax credits for construction of Independence Heights Apartments. The TDHCA administers the state’s housing tax credit program, which provides federal tax credits to spur the development of quality, affordable housing.

In order to apply for the 4% tax credits, the developer must present a Resolution of No Objection from the governing body of the jurisdiction in which the development is located. HCDD recommends approval of this resolution.

A public hearing on this resolution was held on October 5, 2016.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM:RB

c: Mayor's Office  
City Secretary  
Legal  
Finance

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REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department: 
Other Authorization: 
Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary  REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  8/23/16 LISC

SUBJECT: A First Amendment extending the time of performance for a contract between the City of Houston and Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) to administer and operate a job training program

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director Housing and Community Development Department

Origination Date 8/23/16  Agenda Date

DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE: Council District affected: District C

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: 2015-0443 (O) 6/5/15

Phone: (832) 394-6307

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of a First Amendment extending the time of performance for a contract between the City of Houston and Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) to administer and operate a job training program

Amount of Funding: No New Funding Finance Budget:

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [ X ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:
In 2015, City Council approved a $164,262 contract through which LISC would act as the lead agency in a pilot collaboration of job training and education providers. LISC was given responsibility for managing the grant and providing technical assistance to the Financial Opportunity Centers (FOCs). The FOCs are places where workforce development and financial services programs are offered to lift people out of poverty by: 1) providing supportive services and community college education through the Community-Based Job Training model, leading to a certificate in a professional field; and 2) placing graduates in high-demand professional fields that pay a living wage with benefits and opportunity for advancement.

The program anticipated serving 90 participants, and to date, has served only 61. Because the program is a pilot, enrollment by one of the education providers has been slower than anticipated. Other program objectives, which are on target, include:

1) 100% of participants will receive case management and coaching
2) 50% of participants will complete a Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) exam, to demonstrate proficiency in reading, math and writing
3) 80% of all participants will complete training and receive a certificate during the 12-month contract period
4) 60% of all participants will obtain employment during the 12-month contract period.

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends extending the contract between the City of Houston and LISC, thus extending the time of performance for this pilot job training program.

HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals for HUD program year 2014 CDBG service providers. LISC was one of the providers selected. The initial contract provided funding for a 12-month period, May 1, 2015 – April 30, 2016. The contract was extended through October 31, 2016. This request will allow for a second six-month extension, moving the contract expiration to April 30, 2017.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on Sept. 20, 2016.

TM:MB:MR

cc: City Secretary Finance Department
Legal Department Mayor’s Office

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Director: Other Authorization:

Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
08/17/16 Coalition - Planning

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a $130,000 First Contract Amendment to extend the contract between the City of Houston and The Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County to continue providing strategic homeless planning activities

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Origination Date 8/17/16
Council District affected: All

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307
Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: 2015-1147 (O) 11/17/15

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a $130,000 First Contract Amendment to extend the contract between the City of Houston and The Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County to continue providing strategic homeless planning activities

Amount of Funding: $130,000.00
Finance Budget:

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [X] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Fund 5000

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:
The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a First Contract Amendment to extend the contract between the City of Houston and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County (The Coalition) to continue providing strategic homeless planning activities.

The Coalition addresses solutions to homelessness through collaborative resource development and service coordination in the areas of affordable housing, education, employment, transportation, child care, mental health, food, and shelter. Currently, the City receives millions of dollars in federal funding for homelessness. These planning activities are required to keep the program in regulatory compliance. Additionally, information gained through this planning process may result in an increase in future funding. Activities include the Community Strategic Plan to End Homelessness, permanent supportive housing implementation planning, and transitional housing inventory analysis.

A critical part of the planning process is the Point-in-Time Enumeration, an annual count of homeless persons. The count is facilitated by the Coalition and is required of all communities receiving funding from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The count is reported to HUD, and is one factor in determining the amount of funding that our community receives in supportive housing program grants.

CDBG funds are providing 9% of the cost of these strategic planning activities.

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This first contract amendment will provide funding for a 12-month period, from December 1, 2016 - November 30, 2017.

The Housing and Community Affairs Committee reviewed this item on September 20, 2016.

TM:MB:RLJ

Cc: City Secretary
Legal Department
Finance Department
Mayor's Office

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION
Finance Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and Brentwood Economic Community Development Corp., dba Brentwood Community Foundation, providing $551,607.75 in HOPWA funds for the operation and administration of a community residence and an emergency rental assistance program (with supportive services) for low-income individuals/families living with HIV/AIDS

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:

Origination Date: 08/12/2016

Council District affected: District K

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: 2016-0103 (O) 02/03/2016

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and Brentwood Economic Community Development Corp., dba Brentwood Community Foundation, providing $551,607.75 in HOPWA funds for the operation and administration of a community residence and an emergency rental assistance program (with supportive services) for low-income individuals/families living with HIV/AIDS

Amount of Funding: $551,607.75

SOURCE OF FUNDING

[ ] General Fund  [X] Grant Fund  [ ] Enterprise Fund

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Fund 5000

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is currently engaged in a one-year contract, which has a one-year renewal option, with Brentwood Economic Community Development Corp., dba Brentwood Community Foundation, to provide funding for the administration and operation of two programs: (1) a HOPWA-funded community residence for men, including supportive services, and (2) a Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, Utility Assistance (STRMUA) Program with supportive services. This amendment exercises the renewal option and extends the contract to January 31, 2018. This amendment will also include an increase to the number of clients served, from 410 to 440, and an increase in funding by 9.5% to cover the cost of the new clients and for security updates needed at the community residence.

The City will grant Brentwood up to $551,607.75 in HOPWA funds. The project’s scope of work is for rental assistance, budget counseling, and supportive services to approximately 440 low-income households. Brentwood operates an 18-unit transitional housing facility for men living with HIV/AIDS. Through its rental assistance programs, Brentwood provides rental subsidies to help participants at risk of becoming homeless obtain emergency housing assistance. Brentwood provides supportive services, including case management, professional counseling, a substance abuse program and nutritional services. The City provides 83% of the budget for this program and the remaining 17% is from other funding sources.

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HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HOPWA contracts for fiscal year 2016 with a one-year renewal option for fiscal year 2017. Brentwood was one of the agencies selected. The current contract expires on January 31, 2017 and this Ordinance will extend it to January 31, 2018. Brentwood has received HOPWA funding through the City of Houston for various contracts since 1995.

This item was reviewed by the Housing & Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TC:MNB:KS
cc: Legal Department, Mayor’s Office, City Secretary, Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, providing $995,166.75 in HOPWA funds for multiple rental assistance programs (with supportive services) for individuals/families living with HIV/AIDS

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE:

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, providing $995,166.75 in HOPWA funds for multiple rental assistance programs (with supportive services) for individuals/families living with HIV/AIDS

Amount of Funding: $995,166.75

SOURCE OF FUNDING

[ ] General Fund [X] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Fund 5000

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:
The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is currently engaged in a one-year contract, which has a one-year renewal option, with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, to provide funding for the administration and operation of two programs: (1) Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program with supportive services and (2) Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance Program with supportive services. This amendment exercises the renewal option and extends the contract to November 30, 2017. This amendment will also include an increase in funding by 1.3% to increase employee salaries and fringe benefits in accordance with Department of Labor’s Final Rule 29 CFR 541 regarding over-time payment for qualifying salaried employees.

The City will grant Catholic Charities up to $995,166.75 in HOPWA funds. The project’s scope of work provides housing assistance and supportive services to approximately 145 low-income households. The agency’s AIDS Ministry is a holistic program providing case management, as well as housing and financial assistance for persons infected and/or affected by HIV/AIDS. The City provides approximately 97% of the budget for this program, and 3% is provided by other funding sources.

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HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HOPWA contracts for fiscal year 2016 with a one-year renewal option for fiscal year 2017. Catholic Charities was one of the agencies selected. The current contract expires on November 30, 2016 and this Ordinance will extend it to November 30, 2017. Catholic Charities has received HOPWA funding through the City of Houston for various contracts since 2003.

This item was reviewed by the Housing & Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM: MNB: KS
cc: Legal Department, Mayor’s Office, City Secretary, Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a $4,230,750 First Contract Amendment, exercising the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston Area Community Services for rental assistance programs and operations (with supportive services) for individuals/families affected by HIV/AIDS

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

8/18/16

Origination Date
8/18/16

Agenda Date

Council District(s) affected: All

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: 2016-0048 (O) 1/20/16

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a $4,230,750 First Contract Amendment, exercising the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston Area Community Services for rental assistance programs and operations (with supportive services) for individuals/families affected by HIV/AIDS

Amount of Funding: $4,230,750

Finance Budget:

SOURCE OF FUNDING

[ ] General Fund
[ X ] Grant Fund
[ ] Enterprise Fund

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) – Fund 5000

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION: The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a First Contract Amendment to exercise the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston Area Community Services (HACS) to finance the operation of (1) a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program with supportive services, (2) a Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance (STRMUA) Program with supportive services, and (3) operation of a transitional medical respite facility.

The City will grant HACS $4,230,750 to serve low-income persons and their families living with HIV/AIDS. Special emphasis will be placed on addressing those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. HACS will serve at least 915 households affected by HIV/AIDS. HACS’ services include rental subsidies and short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance to prevent homelessness by helping families remain in their own dwellings. HACS operates a transitional medical respite facility for persons with AIDS who are homeless and have acute medical conditions that require a stable living environment with nursing care and supportive services. Supportive services includes housing case management, permanent housing placement (rent and utility deposits, applications fees), and behavioral health services. HOPWA funds are providing 59% of the cost of this program.

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HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HOPWA contracts for fiscal year 2016, with a one-year renewal option for fiscal year 2017. HACS was one of the providers selected. This first contract amendment exercises the option for fiscal year 2017, and provides funding from December 1, 2016 – November 30, 2017. HACS began receiving HOPWA funds through the City in 2000.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM:MB:RLJ
cc: Legal Department, Mayor’s Office, City Secretary, Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

8/18/2016 - Houston SRO - HOPWA

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a $141,365 First Contract Amendment, exercising the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston SRO Housing Corporation for administration and operation of a HOPWA community residence with supportive services for individuals affected by HIV/AIDS

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a $141,365 First Contract Amendment to exercise the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston SRO Housing Corporation for administration and operation of a HOPWA community residence with supportive services for individuals affected by HIV/AIDS

 Amount of Funding: $141,365

SOURCE OF FUNDING

[ ] General Fund [ X ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a first contract amendment exercising the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston SRO Housing Corporation to finance the administration and operation of a HOPWA community residence with supportive services.

The City will grant Houston SRO Housing Corporation (Houston SRO) $141,365 to operate a HOPWA community residence and provide permanent housing and supportive services for low-income persons affected by HIV/AIDS. Houston SRO anticipates serving 35 clients annually. The target population typically consists of individuals who have experienced ongoing substance abuse issues and mental illness. Supportive services include comprehensive case management and referrals for medical, dental, job training, job placement, mental health counseling, and substance abuse counseling. Operating costs include property management, utilities, property insurance, and other costs. HOPWA funds are providing 60% of the cost of this program.

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Houston SRO began receiving HOPWA funds through the City in 1998.

The Housing and Community Affairs Committee reviewed this item on September 20, 2016.

TM:MB:RLJ

cc: Legal Department, Mayor's Office, City Secretary, Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

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Agenda Item #

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and SEARCH Homeless Services, providing $144,551 in HOPWA funds for a supportive services program offering childcare for homeless families living with HIV/AIDS

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE: ____________________________

Origination Date: 08/12/2016

Council District affected: District 1

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307
Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: 2016-0045 (O) 01/20/2016

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a First Contract Amendment to renew the agreement between the City of Houston and SEARCH Homeless Services, providing $144,551 in HOPWA funds for a supportive services program offering childcare for homeless families living with HIV/AIDS

Amount of Funding: $144,551

Finance Budget: ____________________________

SOURCE OF FUNDING

[ ] General Fund  [ X ] Grant Fund  [ ] Enterprise Fund

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Fund 5000

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is currently engaged in a one-year contract, which has a one-year renewal option, with SEARCH Homeless Services, to provide funding for the administration and operation of a childcare services program for HIV-positive individuals and their children through SEARCH’s House of Tiny Treasures, an early childhood development childcare facility. This amendment exercises the renewal option and extends the contract to November 30, 2017.

The City will grant SEARCH Homeless Services up to $144,551 in HOPWA funds. The project’s scope of work is to provide early childhood education to 19 homeless children who are living with HIV/AIDS. The services enable the families of such children to lead stable and functional lives. Supportive services will be provided to 35 individuals consisting of parents, family members or primary caretakers infected with HIV/AIDS. Support services will include case management, counseling and referral services to support the basic and emotional needs of those living with HIV/AIDS. The City provides 25% of the budget for this program, while the remaining 75% is provided by other funding sources.

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HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HOPWA contracts for fiscal year 2016 with a one-year renewal option for fiscal year 2017. SEARCH Homeless Services was one of the agencies selected. The current contract expires on November 30, 2016, and this Ordinance will extend it to November 30, 2017. SEARCH Homeless Services has received HOPWA funding through the City of Houston for various contracts since 1996.

This item was reviewed by the Housing & Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM:MNB:KS
cc: Legal Department
    Mayor’s Office
    City Secretary
    Finance Department

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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing approval of a Contract between the City of Houston and the Harmony House Inc., providing $3,000,000 in TIRZ funds for construction of a homeless persons facility at 702 Girard Street

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Contract between the City of Houston and the Harmony House Inc., providing $3,000,000 in TIRZ funds for construction of a homeless persons facility at 702 Girard Street

Amount of Funding: $3,000,000.00

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [ ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund [ X ] Other

TIRZ Affordable Housing Fund 2409

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Harmony House Inc. seeks $3,000,000 in TIRZ funds to construct a new facility at 702 Girard Street to provide transitional and permanent housing and supportive services for both unemployed and working men and women who are homeless. The facility will include four buildings totaling 19,000 square feet to serve the very low-income homeless population.

Harmony Hcuse proposes to operate a drug- and alcohol-free community that will offer homeless persons a stable environment and access to a clinic, case management and training services, tuberculosis recovery and isolation services, a concierge and security on a daily basis. Services will also include health and respite care for homeless persons who are too sick to be on the streets but not sick enough to be in a hospital, and directly observed therapy (D.O.T) for treatment and cure of tuberculosis infected persons. Frequently, these are individuals just released from a hospital but still having care needs. The new facility will serve an estimated 170 individuals at any given time and will include the city's first respite care beds for women.

The Housing and Community Development Department requests approval of the contract between the City of Houston and the Harmony House Inc. The total project budget is $4,338,803, of which $3,000,000 will be funded by TIRZ, $500,000 of private loan and $838,803 of private funds for construction of the new facility. Harmony House currently receives $200,000 annually from the Health & Human Services Department for Isolation services.

Harmony House has been providing services for Houston's homeless population since 1992. They currently operate four transitional and permanent housing facilities and provide services for over 200 homeless persons annually. The new facility will expand the organization’s capacity to serve an additional 193 homeless persons.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM: APM: SL

Cc: City Attorney
Mayor's Office
City Secretary
Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary  

SUBJECT: An Ordinance amending a Contract between the City of Houston and Bering Omega to include Houston Area Community Services (HACS) as the manager for construction and operator of program services for the property located at 2920 Fannin Street, Houston, TX 77002 to be used as a community facility

FROM: Tom McCasland, Interim Director  
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson  
Phone: 832-394-6307

For additional information contact:  

Council District affected: District D

Origination Date  
8/26/2016

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: 4/10/2013 (a) 2013-0317

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson  
Phone: 832-394-6307

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance amending a Contract between the City of Houston and Bering Omega to include Houston Area Community Services (HACS) as the manager for construction and operator of program services for the property located at 2920 Fannin Street, Houston, TX 77002 to be used as a community facility

Amount of Funding: N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDING:  
[X] Grant Fund  
[ ] Enterprise Fund  
[ ] General Fund

Specific Explanation:

In April 2013, Council approved a contract between the City and Bering Omega to provide $1,100,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for acquisition of the land located at 2920 Fannin Street, which will provide the space needed to build a new community facility. The proposed amendment would allow Bering Omega and Houston Area Community Services (HACS) to move forward with the construction of the facility, and allow HACS to act as the operator of the facility.

Bering Omega and Houston Area Community Services (HACS) have provided services for the HIV/AIDS community for the past 15 years. Bering Omega Dental Clinic and Day Treatment Program serve approximately 3,545 individuals per year, and their Housing Assistance Program serves 1,607 households annually. Bering Omega and HACS have entered into a management agreement, which will provide a permanent home for Bering Omega that is ideally configured to their operations and adhere to Agreement obligations.

Houston Area Community Services (HACS) would assume all of the obligations under the Agreement as the manager for construction and operator of program services of the 23,750-square-foot Medical, Dental and Adult Care Clinic. The new community facility will provide HIV-related prevention and care services which include: medical care, pharmacy, dental, behavioral health, Adult Day Treatment Program, and HIV-related Housing Services. In addition, non-HIV related services will also be offered which includes the same services as referenced above.

The total construction budget is $5,440,000, which will be funded by a Construction Loan. The project completion is expected in May 2018. No additional City funds will be granted on this project.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM: MB: APM: SL

Cc: City Attorney  
Mayor’s Office  
City Secretary  
Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department Director:  
Other Authorization:  
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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing a contract between the City of Houston and the Star of Hope Mission providing $800,000 in Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Affordable Housing funds for the permit fees associated with construction of Star of Hope Mission’s Cornerstone Community

FROM:
Tom McCasland, Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:

Origination Date: 9/8/2016
Agenda Date

Council District affected:
D

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action:
Ord. #2004-1066 – 10/20/2004
Ord. #2006-0938 – 9/19/2006
Ord. #2008-0410 – 5/7/2008

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing an Agreement between the City of Houston and the Star of Hope Mission providing $800,000 in Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Affordable Housing funds for the permit fees associated with construction of Star of Hope’s Cornerstone Community

Amount of Funding: $800,000.00
Finance Budget:

SOURCE OF FUNDING:
[ ] General Fund
[ ] Grant Fund
[ ] Enterprise Fund
[ X ] Other

Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Affordable Housing Funds – Fund 2409

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:
The Housing and Community Development Department requests Council approve a contract between the City and the Star of Hope Mission providing $800,000 of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Affordable Housing funds. Funding will be used for the permit fees for construction of Star of Hope's Cornerstone Community.

The Star of Hope Mission is constructing a new campus, the Cornerstone Community located at 2575 Reed Road, which will house 600 women and families in a walkable environment. In addition to housing, Cornerstone Community will offer healthcare services provided by Harris Health and employment readiness assistance through WorkFaith Connection. These services will increase access to medical care, childcare, and recovery services for residents of the campus. The community will also offer educational and personal growth opportunities for all ages.

The current cost estimate for this project is $58,700,000. Star of Hope is in the midst of a $50,000,000 capital campaign and anticipates the sale of the existing Women and Family Emergency Shelter at 419 Dowling Street to generate $5,000,000. The remaining gap will be funded by additional contributions, in-kind donations and/or debt.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM: APM: MS

Cc: City Attorney
    Mayor’s Office
    City Secretary
    Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing an Amendment between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission to decrease the land use restriction term on the property at 419 Dowling from ten years to five years from the Effective Date

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FROM: Tom McCasland, Director Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Roxanne Lawson Phone: 832-394-6307

Origination Date: 9/8/2016

Council District affected: District D

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson Phone: 832-394-6307

Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: Ord. #2004-1006 – 10/20/2004

Ord. #2006-0938 – 9/19/2006

Ord. #2008-0410 – 5/7/2008

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing an Amendment between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission to decrease the land use restriction term on property located at 419 Dowling Street from ten years to five years from the Effective Date

Amount of Funding: No New Funding

Finance Budget:

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [ ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund [ ] Other

Community Development Block Grant – Fund

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

In September 2006, Council approved a contract between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission to provide $500,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for repairs to The Women & Family Emergency Shelter at 419 Dowling Street. The original contract imposed a ten year land use restriction period. The Housing and Community Development (HCCD) now proposes to decrease the land use restriction period from ten to five years allowing Star of Hope to transfer the remaining term to a new facility, Cornerstone Community, currently under construction.

The new facility is part of a 48-acre campus at 2575 Reed Road which will house 600 women and families. Star of Hope wishes to sell the Dowling Street facility and reinvest the proceeds to supplement the cost of constructing the new campus. An amendment to the land use restriction period is required for the agency to sell the Dowling Street site. If Council approves this amendment, the land use restriction will expire one year after the Certificate of Occupancy is issued.

Star of Hope has been serving Houston’s homeless population since 1907. Cornerstone Community will provide homes for this vulnerable population in a walkable environment with access to Services that include medical assistance, childcare, recovery services education and person growth opportunities.

The current cost estimate for the Cornerstone Community is $58,700.00. Star of Hope is in the midst of a $50 million capital campaign and anticipates generating $5 million through the sale of the Dowling Street Women and Family Emergency Shelter. A separate proposal to be considered by City Council would provide $800,000 in TIRZ Affordable Housing funds for the permit fees associated with construction of the project. The remaining gap will be funded by additional contributions, in-kind donations and/or debt.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

TM:MB:APM:MS

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   Mayor’s Office
   City Secretary
   Finance Department

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

Finance Department Director: Other Authorization: Other Authorization:
TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT: An Ordinance authorizing an Amendment between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission transferring the remaining time of the five-year land use restriction on the property at 419 Dowling to the new facility under construction at 2575 Reed Road.

FROM: Tom McCasland, Director
Housing and Community Development Department

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:

Origination Date: 9/8/2016
Agenda Date

Council District affected: District D

For additional information contact: Roxanne Lawson
Phone: 832-394-6307
Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action: Ord. #2012-0160 – 2/21/2012

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of an Ordinance authorizing an Amendment between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission transferring the remaining time of the five-year land use restriction on the property at 419 Dowling to the new facility under construction at 2575 Reed Road.

Amount of Funding: No New Funding
Finance Budget:

SOURCE OF FUNDING: [ ] General Fund [ ] Grant Fund [ ] Enterprise Fund [ ] Other

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:
In 2012 Council approved a contract between the City of Houston and Star of Hope Mission to provide $300,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for repairs to The Women & Family Emergency Shelter at 419 Dowling Street. The original contract imposed a five year land use restriction period. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) now proposes to transfer the land use restriction to a new facility, Cornerstone Community, currently under construction.

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This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on September 20, 2016.

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