



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-2572, **Agenda Item #:** 50.

12/11/2025

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for consulting services to develop a public health and safety plan for Austin Public Health with Chico Tillmon d/b/a Tillmon Training & Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$110,000. Funding: \$110,000 is available in the Operating Budget of Austin Public Health.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Client Department(s)

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$110,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Operating Budget of Austin Public Health.

Procurement Language:

Professional Services.

MBE/WBE:

This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to Austin Financial Services - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500.

Additional Backup Information:

This contract will provide consulting services to develop a collaborative and comprehensive public health and safety plan. The vendor will support the continued build-out of the violence prevention ecosystem within Austin and Travis County. Their work will include developing a strategic plan with clearly defined short-term and medium-term goals.

As part of the response to Resolution No. 20250605-083, Austin Public Health is seeking to engage a renowned national expert in violence prevention to address the actions outlined in the resolution. Dr. Tillmon is uniquely qualified to assist the City, as his professional experience and academic background in criminology directly align with the resolution's key priorities. These include exploring the governance structure, sustainability, and institutionalization of the Office of Violence Prevention; developing comprehensive strategic plans; and building capacity across the violence prevention ecosystem. His work will also involve identifying key focus areas, recommending community-based organizations with proven success in violence prevention, assisting with contract development, identifying funding strategies, and establishing partnership models.

A delay in contract approval could impact the City's effectiveness and timeliness of the overall violence prevention strategy.