

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-0354, Agenda Item #: 18.

3/6/2025

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Del Valle Community Coalition in an amount not to exceed \$130,000 to administer a flood insurance assistance pilot program for lower-income homeowners who are vulnerable to flood risk. Funding in the amount of \$130,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Management Services Department's Operating Budget.

Lead Department

Housing Department

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$130,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Management Services Department's Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

May 30, 2024 - Council approved Resolution No. 20240530-113 directing the City Manager to explore strategies to reduce the cost burden of flood insurance on residents, engage in public education about flood risk, flood insurance, and other topics, coordinate opportunities for community engagement in advance of the annual Flood Safety Awareness Week (tentatively scheduled April 21-26, 2025), and start a program to provide financial assistance to lower-income homeowners to assist them in the purchase of federal flood insurance.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

In a November 6, 2024, Memo to Mayor and Council https://services.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm? id=440470>, the Watershed Protection Department provided a response to Resolution No. 20240530-113 detailing the recommendation for a Flood Insurance Pilot Program in response to Council's directive to provide financial assistance to lower-income homeowners vulnerable to flood risk.