City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-4498, **Agenda Item #:** 55. 5/2/2024

Posting Language
Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the agreement with Central Texas Food Bank to expand food access via a mobile food pantry in the Eastern Crescent of Austin, in the amount of $240,000, for a 16-month term beginning June 1, 2024, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $420,000.

Lead Department
Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note
Funding in the amount of $240,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:
June 1, 2023 - City Council authorized negotiation and execution of an agreement with Central Texas Food Bank to provide one-time funding for a program to expand food access via a mobile pantry in the Eastern Crescent of Austin, for a 12-month term beginning June 1, 2023, for a total agreement amount not to exceed $180,000, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison off the dais.

August 12, 2020 - City Council approved the City of Austin Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (Ordinance No. 20200812-001), which included an allocation of funds for a program to address the social determinants of health by bringing convenient and consistent access to affordable groceries, health and wellness resources, financial literacy resources, and other services to underserved communities in Austin, on an 11-0 vote.

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Additional Backup Information:
This action will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 with Central Texas Food Bank to continue to provide access to enhanced mobile food market services specifically targeting vulnerable communities in Austin's Eastern Crescent (Eastern Cresent).

The current social services agreement with Central Texas Food Bank was executed in an amount not to exceed $180,000 for a 12-month term beginning June 1, 2023.

On August 12, 2020, City Council approved an amendment to the City of Austin Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund to allocate an amount not to exceed $150,000 in one-time funds and $250,000 in ongoing funds for a program to address the social determinants of health by bringing convenient and consistent access to affordable groceries via a mobile food market program in the Eastern Crescent. The amendment was sponsored by Council Member Garza with Council Members Harper-Madison, Casar, Ellis, and Renteria as

cosponsors.