



TO: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
FROM: Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant to City Manager and Director, Neighborhood and Community Services
COPY: City Council, City Clerk and Pamela Duncan, Human Services Division Manager
SUBJECT: Resolution approving a competitively funded contract with Metropolitan Development Council – April 21, 2015
DATE: March 27, 2015

SUMMARY:

A Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Metropolitan Development Council in the amount of \$370,000, budgeted from the Mental Health Substance Use Disorder Fund, for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- A safe, clean and attractive community.
- Strengthen and support public safety, human services, public education, and diverse higher learning opportunities in Tacoma.
- Encourage and promote an open, effective and results-oriented organization.

BACKGROUND:

On July 22, 2014, the City Council adopted the 2015-2019 Human Services Strategic Plan (HSSP) presented by the Neighborhood and Community Services department. On August 1, 2014, a competitive funding application addressing the identified funding priorities was released to the public. Applications were due on September 5, 2014. In the Mental Health Substance Use Disorder (MHSUD) funding priority area, 16 applications were received, with requests totaling \$5 million. Every MHSUD application was forwarded to the Human Services Commission (HSC) for review. MHSUD has four strategic goals. Applications were received under three of the four strategic goals (Programs Targeted to Help Youth, Community Based Care, and Jail and Hospital Diversion) but no applications were received under the strategic goal to Reduce Chronic Homelessness.

In addressing the gap for reducing chronic homelessness, Council directed staff to re-release a competitive process. Staff opened a competitive process to address chronic homelessness on December 2nd. The application process closed on December 17, 2014. Nine applications were qualified seeking a total of \$973,725 in funding. Oral presentations were held by a sub-committee of the HSC on December 29th and those same members held a consensus and allocation meeting on January 12, 2015. A total of seven applications were recommended for funding with the recommendations presented to the full HSC on January 14, 2015. Two of the recommendations are presented today on behalf of MDC; the first is MDC Randall Townsend in the amount of \$100,000. The second is a recommendation to fund \$20,000 for MDC's Housing First program as a "risk reduction" contract. (This is a single-year award to cover damages to Housing First units that are leased in MDC's name.) In addition, MDC was awarded \$250,000 during the CS process completed under the August 1, 2014 competitive funding application for their behavioral health and recovery program.

Staff brings this single contract before Council in the amount of \$370,000.00. The Contract is composed of three distinct programs: (MDC Housing First Risk Reduction - \$20,000; MDC Randall Townsend - \$100,000; and MDC Behavioral Health & Recovery - \$250,000).



The remainder of the Mental Health competitive funding allocations for human services programs under \$200,000 will be contracted administratively.

ISSUE:

There are no issues.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council approve funding recommendations of the HSC and adopt a resolution allowing the contracts identified above in an amount over \$200,000 to move forward.

ALTERNATIVES: Council could choose to not approve a resolution allowing staff to complete the contract for MDC's competitively awarded services. Without approval, there would be further delay in the delivery of critical services.



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1185-MHCD	858300	5330100	\$370,000.00
TOTAL			\$370,000.00

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1185-MHCD	858300	4313250	\$370,000.00
TOTAL			\$370,000.00

POTENTIAL POSITION IMPACT:

POSITION TITLE	PERMANENT/ PROJECT TEMPORARY POSITION	FTE IMPACT	POSITION END DATE
N/A			
TOTAL			

This section should only be completed if a subsequent request will be made to increase or decrease the current position count.

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$370,000.00

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes