

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE AMENDING RESOLUTION R-326-2024 WHICH AUTHORIZED THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO AWARD A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,768,642.00 IN YOUTH HOMELESSNESS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS TO SIX ENTITIES TO SUPPORT EIGHT PROJECTS GUIDED BY THE COORDINATED COMMUNITY PLAN AND ONGOING COLLABORATION WITH THE YOUTH ACTION BOARD, IN ORDER TO MODIFY ALLOCATIONS TO FOUR OF THE ENTITIES, INCLUDING THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, THE KNOXVILLE-KNOX COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE, AND THE OFFICE OF HOUSING STABILITY.

RESOLUTION NO: _____
Housing & Neighborhood
REQUESTED BY: Development Department
PREPARED BY: Law Department

APPROVED: _____

APPROVED AS AN EMERGENCY
MEASURE: _____

MINUTE BOOK: _____ PAGE _____

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2023, the Knoxville-Knox County Continuum of Care (“CoC”) was awarded \$1,823,342.00 in U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (“YHDP”) funding, \$54,700.00 of which is to be used for planning purposes during year one of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the funding comes through the City of Knoxville in the City's capacity as Collaborative Applicant for the Knoxville-Knox County CoC, as designated by the Knoxville-Knox County Homeless Coalition; and

WHEREAS, CoC staff and partners collaborated with the Youth Action Board to create a Coordinated Community Plan and conducted a process to competitively award YHDP funds to local agencies; and

WHEREAS, six subgrantees were selected and City Council authorized, by Resolution R-326-2024, the execution of subgrantee agreements providing YHDP funding in a total amount not to exceed \$1,768,642.00 for transitional housing and rapid rehousing for youth, supportive services, administrative services, and navigation for youth, and HMIS support for new projects, to the six agencies as more fully described said Resolution; and

WHEREAS, due to unexpected increases in staffing costs at the University of Tennessee ("UT"), one of the six agencies awarded funds, it is necessary to amend the awards by moving \$30,000.00 from the amount allocated for the Office of Housing Stability ("OHS") to the allocation for UT, bringing the new subgrantee allocations to \$70,498.00 for OHS to be used for YHDP Administration and \$141,592.00 to UT for Homeless Management Information System ("HMIS") support for new projects, as more fully described in the scopes of service/budgets attached hereto as Exhibits 1 and 2; and

WHEREAS, further, the partnership between the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee ("CAC") and A Closer Walk, for the purposes of YHDP, has been discontinued due to the fact that A Closer Walk's program is better suited to long-term engagement rather than the short-term transitional housing model under YHDP, and it is

therefore necessary to move the \$126,090.40 allocation made to A Closer Walk to the allocation to CAC, increasing the total CAC funding for transitional housing/rapid rehousing for youth to \$983,073.60, as more fully described in the attached scope of services/budget attached hereto as Exhibit 3; and

WHEREAS, the OHS will monitor the progress of the funded projects, provide technical assistance as needed, ensure delivery of all project close-out reports and receipts, and encourage an exchange of ideas and best practices among grant recipients.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE:

SECTION 1: Resolution R-326-2024 is hereby amended so as to move \$30,000.00 of the YHDP allocation granted to OHS to the allocation for UT, bringing the new funding amount to \$70,498.00 for OHS and \$141,592.00 to UT, and authorizing the Mayor to execute subgrantee agreements with both entities, in the form approved by R-326-2024, to fund administrative services and HMIS support for new projects, as shown on the respective scope of service/budget shown on as Exhibit 1 (OHS) and Exhibit 2 (UT) attached hereto.

SECTION 2: Resolution R-326-2024 is further amended so as to move the YHDP allocation approved for A Closer Walk, in the amount of \$126,090.40, to CAC and authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the existing subgrantee Agreement with CAC, known as Document No. C-24-0420, to reflect this additional allocation, with a new total contract amount of \$983,073.60 and to reflect the additional services shown on the scope of services/budget attached hereto as Exhibit 3.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of the City requiring it.

Presiding Officer of the Council

Recorder

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