## Memorandum



DATE June 7, 2019

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT

# Office of Homeless Solutions Deferred Item Gateway to Permanent Supportive Housing

On May 22, 2019 Mayor Pro Tem Thomas deferred item 19-624 to June 12, 2019 agenda to allow Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) staff time to negotiate contract terms with PWA Coalition of Dallas, Inc. dba AIDS Services of Dallas related to the relocation of existing Gateway to Permanent Supportive Housing clients located at The Vineyards at Forest Edge and The Vineyards at The Ranch in Council District 10.

#### **Background**

The City has transitioned its Continuum of Care Grant- Gateway to Permanent Supportive Housing (Gateway) to PWA Coalition of Dallas, Inc. dba AIDS Services of Dallas (ASD) through a formal procurement process. The project-based program is located at three properties; in which two of the properties are in TAAG areas and have had recurring violent crimes onsite, one that resulted in the death of the property manager. In order to address public safety concerns for the vulnerable program participants, the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) is recommending new project-based locations be identified and approved for the relocation of existing tenants.

### **Summary**

The following items should remain as-is in the agenda item:

- 1. Authorize the acceptance of a Continuum of Care ("CoC") Grant (Grant No. TX0236L6T001810 and CFDA No. 14.267) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the City of Dallas' Gateway to Permanent Supportive Housing Project in an amount not to exceed \$739,943.00, to provide project-based rental assistance and case management for single chronically homeless persons for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020
- 2. An assignment of the CoC Grant to PWA Coalition of Dallas, Inc. dba AIDS Services of Dallas as recipient grantee in place of the City of Dallas under the grant agreement
- 3. Execution of any and all documents required for the grant and grantee substitution

The following item should be included in the agenda item:

 Authorize contract with PWA Coalition of Dallas, Inc. dba AIDS Services of Dallas to identify and replace 50 units located at The Vineyards at Forest Edge (25) and The Vineyards at The Ranch (25) in Council District 10 to new project-based locations that adhere to the minimum thresholds of the Site Selection Evaluation Criteria for Supportive Housing approved by the Human and Social Needs Council Committee and receive U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development approval.

The contract will detail the collaborative nature in which the City will partner with ASD to identify new sites that adhere to Site Selection Evaluation Criteria; obtain HUD approval to amend grant agreement with the new sites; and provide individual advisory services to impacted clients to successfully relocate. Collaboration will include engagement with surrounding community to foster positive neighbor relations and development of partnership plan with landlords to ensure

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compliance with OHS supportive housing priorities, including security plan and code compliance. The contract term is July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021 with all relocations completed by June 30, 2021. The Office of Homeless Solutions is committed to partnering with ASD for the successful relocation of clients and will handle packing, moving and furniture expenses; security deposits to new landlords; risk mitigation fees (property damage and vacancy loss); and holding fees as applicable through direct contracts with vendors.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

General fund support not exceed \$50,000 for administration, housing navigation, and tenant utility deposits.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact myself or Monica Hardman, Director of Office of Homeless Solutions.

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