

## Houston City Council

# Housing and Community Affairs Committee

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Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. City Hall Council Chamber 901 Bagby, 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77002

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#### I. Call to Order/Welcome

## II. Compliance & Grant Administration

The Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing an Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery contract between the City of Houston and the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for the 2016 floods (CDBG-DR16). (All Districts)

Keith W. Bynam, Director Kennisha London, Assistant Director

#### III. Public Services

a. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston and Houston HELP, Inc. (Houston HELP) and provide up to \$406,614.00 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds to finance the operation of a multi-unit permanent residential facility with supportive services. (District D)

b. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston and Houston SRO Housing Corporation (Houston SRO) and provide up to \$284,284.27 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds to finance the operation of a multi-unit permanent residential facility with supportive services. (District D)

c. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston and Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc. (ACCT), providing up to \$1,052,034.00 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds for a project that provides (1) Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA); (2) Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance (STRMU); (3) Permanent Housing Placement Services (PHPS); and (4) Supportive Services. (All Districts)

- d. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston and AIDS Foundation Houston Inc. (AFH), to provide up to \$3,614,761.72 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds, to operate and maintain three separate multi-unit permanent residential facilities with supportive services. (Districts D, H, J)
- e. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing an Agreement between the City of Houston and The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD (The Harris Center), providing up to \$2,199,970.86 in Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funds to help prevent and respond to the impacts of COVID-19. (District J)
- f. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Fourth Amendment between the City of Houston and SEARCH Homeless Services (SEARCH) to extend the term of the Agreement and provide up to \$100,000.00 in TIRZ Affordable Housing funds (TIRZ), \$260,000.00 in Texas Homeless Housing Services Program (HHSP) funds, and \$660,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. (District I)

Keith W. Bynam, Director Melody Barr, Deputy Assistant Director

#### IV. Single Family

- a. HCD Department recommends Council approval of an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2018-612, as amended, authorizing the Second Amendment to the Master Contractor Agreement for the City of Houston New Home Development Program (NHDP) to be executed by the City of Houston and selected contractors. (All Districts)
- b. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance allocating \$7,222,385.00 in Uptown TIRZ Series 2021 Affordable Homes Funds previously appropriated for the City of Houston Homebuyer Choice Program pursuant to Ordinance 2021-354 (as amended by Ordinance 2023-60), to the New Home Development Program (NHDP) Master Contractor Agreements (MCA) for the following contractors. (All Districts)
- c. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation of \$1,776,992.00 in TIRZ Affordable Housing Funds, pursuant to the First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Operations Grant Agreement between the City of Houston and the Houston Land Bank (HLB) for HLB's Operations and Program Delivery Activities. (All Districts)
- d. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing the amended of the Homebuyer Choice Program (HCP) Guidelines to include amendments to the roles and responsibilities; program processes; home purchase requirements, homebuyer eligibility requirements; funding requirements, appeals process, and updates to various definitions. (All Districts)
- e. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing the Seventh Amended and Restated Homebuyer Assistance Program Guidelines (HAP) to include amendments to the underwriting and subsidy layering; intake and application process, homebuyer eligibility requirements; loan terms of assistance requirements, etc. (All Districts)
- f. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation of \$1,500,000.00 in previously appropriated TIRZ Affordable Housing funds, to fund the Homebuyers Assistance Program (HAP) to assist with the purchase of homes selected by income-eligible first-time homebuyers. (All Districts)

Keith W. Bynam, Director Cedrick LaSane, Deputy Assistant Director

#### V. Public Facilities

HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Second Amendment to the Construction Contribution agreement between the City of Houston (City) and The Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/ Harris County (Coalition) to increase project funding in the amount of \$820,000.00 for repairs at the facility to include the sprinkler systems, ADA requirements, and electrical and plumbing updates. (District B)

Keith W. Bynam, Director Ana Martinez, Deputy Assistant Director

### VI. Director's Comments, Keith W. Bynam, Director

Houston Housing Authority: David A. Northern, Jr., President & CEO & LaRence Snowden, Board Chair

#### VII. Public Comments

Members of the public who wish to sign up to speak at the Housing and Community Affairs Committee Meeting must do so by filling out the <u>online form</u> (<a href="https://www.houstontx.gov/council/committees/speakers-hca.html">https://www.houstontx.gov/council/committees/speakers-hca.html</a>) by 5:00 p.m. on February 20, 2023, or by filling out the physical sign-up sheet at the committee meeting. Please note public speakers must appear in person at the time of the committee meeting.