City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 06/14/22 **M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 22-0450

LOG NAME: 19UCCPY20-21CDBGREVISION

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize a Substantial Amendment to the City of Fort Worth's 2020-2021 Action Plan to Reallocate \$65,555.00 in Unprogrammed Community Development Block Grant Funding to the Contract with United Community Centers, Inc. to Increase the Total Contract Amount to \$165,555.00 for the Educational Enrichment Program

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council:

- Authorize substantial amendment to the City of Fort Worth's 2020-2021 Action Plan to reallocate a total of \$65,555.00 in unprogrammed Community Development Block Grant Funds, including \$1,414.28 from Housing Channel (City Secretary Contract Number 54967), \$30,333.90 from Goodwill (City Secretary Contract Number 54903), \$5,259.28 from Guardianship Services (City Secretary Contract Number 54928), \$16,252.22 from Ladder Alliance (City Secretary Contract Number 54949), \$0.01 from Presbyterian Night Shelter (City Secretary Contract Number 54936), and \$12,294.00 from AB Christian Learning Center-Freedom School (City Secretary Contract Number 54947), including \$1.31 of unprogrammed funds to the contract with United Community Centers, Inc. (City Secretary Contract Number 54951) contingent upon successful completion of the federal public comment period; and
- Authorize the City Manager or his designee to further amend the agreement if necessary to achieve program goals and meet Housing and Urban Development expenditure deadlines, provided the amendment is within the scope of the program and in compliance with applicable City policies, laws and regulations.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth City Council approved Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) 20-0497, the City of Fort Worth's 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan, on August 4, 2020. The 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan summarizes the major housing and community development activities and proposed expenditures for the program year beginning on October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021 for the use of federal grant funds totaling \$12,793,159.00 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with human immunodeficiency virus, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) (HOPWA) grant programs. The primary purposes of these programs is to benefit low-and-moderate-income persons in Fort Worth, homeless persons, and low-and-moderate-income persons with HIV/AIDS.

Six of the agencies receiving funding under the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan did not expend their funding allocation within the federal program contract period ending September 30, 2021. As a result, there is a total of \$65,555.00 in unprogrammed Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Neighborhood Services Department recommends approval to direct these funds to United Community Centers, Inc. (hereafter, UCC) to use for educational enrichment programming. Social Services for school-age children continues to be an urgent need in responding to the Coronavirus pandemic. Directing these funds to UCC will provide vulnerable youth with services to address negative educational or developmental impacts from the pandemic. The Agreement with UCC was extended until September 30, 2022 to ensure that there is no disruption in services and that program goals are met.

A public notice authorizing this reallocation of funds was published in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on Sunday, May 15, 2022, with the five-day comment period being completed on May 20, 2022. The notice was published after the executed amendment with UCC, dated February 23, 2022 (CSC No. 54951-A1). However, no funds have yet been reallocated or expended. Moreover, after approval of this M&C, CSC No. 54951-A1 will be amended so that it reflects an effective date of June 14, 2022.

Staff recommends funding adjustments in the following amounts, based on City Secretary Contract No. 54951-A1.

FROM:	Agency and Program	Available Unprogrammed Balance	Account Adjustment (Unprogrammed)	Adjusted Balance
1.	Housing Channel Homebuyer Counselling (City Secretary Contract No. 54967)	\$1,414.28	(\$1,414.28)	\$0.00
2.	Goodwill – Employment Services(City Secretary Contract No. 54903)	\$30,333.90	(\$30,333.90)	\$0.00

3.	Guardianship Services (City Secretary Contract No. 54928)	\$5,259.28	(\$5,259.28)	\$0.00
4.	Ladder Alliance (City Secretary Contract No. 54959)	\$16,252.22	(\$16,252.22)	\$0.00
5.	Presbyterian Night Shelter (City Secretary Contract No. 54936)	\$0.01	(\$0.01)	\$0.00
6.	AB Christian Learning Center-Freedom School (City Secretary Contract No. 54947)	\$12,294.00	(\$12,294.00)	\$0.00
7.	City Unprogrammed funds (acct. 103020-991999)	\$204,366.26	(\$1.31)	\$204,364.95
	TOTAL		(\$65,555.00)	
то:	Contract Amendment 1	Original Amount	Account Adjustment	Revised Contract Amount
	United Community Centers, Inc. (City Secretary Contract No. 54951)	\$100,000.00	\$65,555.00	\$165,555.00

These programs are available in ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract legally does not require City Council approval.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and reallocation of funds, funds are available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Operating Federal Fund. The Neighborhood Services Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Neighborhood Services Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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