

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 04/23/24 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 24-0307

LOG NAME: 02WEST SEVENTH AMBASSADOR START DATE

SUBJECT

(ALL) Amend Mayor and Council Communication 24-0016 to Authorize Immediate Execution of Agreement with Mydatt Services, Inc., dba Block by Block, for Ambassador Services in the West 7th Entertainment District

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council amend Mayor and Council Communication 24-0016 to authorize immediate execution of an agreement with Mydatt Services, Inc., dba Block by Block, for Ambassador Services in the West 7th Entertainment District for the Police Departments.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to amend M&C 24-0016 to authorize immediate execution of the agreement for the ambassador program for the West 7th Entertainment District.

On January 23, 2024, the Fort Worth City Council approved M&C 24-0016, which authorized an agreement with Mydatt Services, Inc., dba Block by Block, for the ambassador services using an interlocal agreement with the City of Denton for an initial annual amount up to \$315,000.00 and two one-year renewal options.

The cost of services in the first year is being funded as a one-year pilot program by the Crime Control and Prevention District, which authorized funding at its meeting in November 2023, with Council approving that budget amendment in January 2024 (M&C 24-0096). Services in subsequent years are anticipated to be paid for out of a public improvement district (PID) that has been proposed for this area.

Because funding beyond the first year is tied to the PID, M&C 24-0016 explicitly said that "The City will not execute an agreement with Block by Block until a valid petition to create a West 7th [PID] is received."

Rather than wait on the pending PID process, staff wishes to move forward with the one-year pilot, recognizing that funding beyond the first year remains to be determined.

Approval of this M&C would amend the prior action to authorize immediate execution of the agreement.

The initial term will commence on execution and expire on November 6, 2024 to align with Denton's contract. Subject to Denton's contract being renewed, Fort Worth could execute a partial year renewal from November 7 to the first anniversary of the City's contract based on the previously approved CCPD funding.

Renewals for the remaining year and a half (assuming Denton exercises its second renewal option to expire November 6, 2026) could only be exercised if funding has been appropriated from the PID or another source.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the recommendation, funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Fire Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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