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AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING AN CONTRACT WITH VHS SAN ANTONIO PARTNERS, LLC DBA BAPTIST HEALTH SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING THREE MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS TO ASSIST WITH HOMELESS OUTREACH, MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES FOR AN INITIAL TERM AMOUNT OF \$174,560.00 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2019, WITH FOUR 1 YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$894,456.00. FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE HUMAN SERVICES GENERAL FUND FY 2019 ADOPTED BUDGET.

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio Department of Human Services (DHS) and the San Antonio Police Department (SAPD) Mental Health Detail are jointly seeking clinicians to assist with homeless outreach efforts, case management and coordination of mental health and substance use services for individuals in crisis; and

WHEREAS, the contracted staff will be part of a team consisting of Mental Health Detail Officers, Homeless Outreach Positive Encounters (HOPE) Officers, San Antonio Fire Department Mobile Integrated Health and the COSA Coordinated Homeless Encampment Outreach Team; and

WHEREAS, the contracted staff will help facilitate an immediate and long-term care plan to address the consumer's serious mental illness and substance use concerns; and

WHEREAS, upon stabilization, the team will develop a plan for housing, healthcare and economic concerns for long-term stability, with the goal of reducing the number of calls for police service, police contacts and emergency room visits/hospital visits; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2018, the Department of Human Services (DHS) released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit responses from qualified respondents for the purpose of providing Mental Health Clinicians; and

WHEREAS, based on the proposal review, an agreement with VHS San Antonio Partners, LLC dba Baptist Health System to provide three mental health clinicians consisting of two (2) licensed Mental Health practitioners (LPC, LCSW, or LMSW) and one Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) is recommended; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager, or her designee, or the Director of the Department of Human Services (DHS), or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with VHS San Antonio Partners, LLC dba Baptist Health System for the purpose of providing three mental health clinicians to assist with homeless outreach, mental health and substance use services for an initial term amount of \$174,560.00 through September 30, 2019, with four one year renewal options for a total contract amount not to exceed \$894,456.00. Funding is available in the Human Services General Fund FY 2019 Adopted Budget. A copy of the contract is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

SECTION 2. Funding in the amount of \$174,560.00 is available in Fund 11001000, Cost Center 3804010101 and General Ledger 5202020 as part of the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget. Additional funding for the duration of this contract is contingent upon City Council approval of subsequent budgets that fall within the term length of this contract.

SECTION 3. Payment not to exceed the budgeted amount is authorized to VHS San Antonio Partners, LLC dba Baptist Health System and shall be encumbered with a purchase order for the purpose of providing three mental health clinicians.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney