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AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DEAF LINK INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$88,164.00 TO PROVIDE THE CITY AN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM PROGRAM AND ASSIST THE CITY'S FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DISSEMINATE EMERGENCY INFORMATION

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio is committed to engaging all residents with disabilities, and breaking down communications barriers facing this population to ensure participation in City government and City-related business, and receipt of City emergency information;

WHEREAS, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires a public entity to provide appropriate auxiliary aids and services where necessary to make sure that individuals with speech, hearing and vision disabilities understand what is said or written and can communicate effectively;

WHEREAS, currently, the City's Disability Access Office (DAO) manages the hiring of qualified on-site sign language interpreters, with a 48-hour advance request, at City Council and department meetings and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) provides on-site sign language interpreters at City emergency information news conferences;

WHEREAS, the City released a request for proposal on April 21, 2018, seeking proposals for Sign language Services, including an American Sign Language (ASL) Emergency Alert System Program;

WHEREAS, City Staff recommends approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Deaf Link Inc., described in Attachment I.; **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 City's Government and Public Affairs Department is hereby authorized to execute a Professional Services Agreement between the City and Deaf Link Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$88,164.00, for a one-year term, with the option to extend the term for one additional one-year period in an amount not to exceed \$78,164.00, for an ASL Emergency Alert System Program with a stand-alone ASL Emergency Alert System, including a database, a website registration portal, and ASL videos of public service announcements (PSAs), and information materials to market the ALS Emergency

Alert Program. A copy of the amendment, in substantially final form, is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

SECTION 2. Funding for this Ordinance in the amount of \$88,164.00 is available in Fund _____, Internal Order _____, General Ledger _____ as part of the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget.

SECTION 3. Payment not to exceed the budgeted amount is authorized to Deaf Link, Inc. and should be encumbered with a purchase order.

SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. 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 August, 2018.

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Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney