

May 13, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) was signed making available additional funding to support Emergency Solutions Grant – Homeless Prevention and Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility (STRMU) Emergency Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to contract with Bridge Steps (aka “The Bridge”) to provide temporary shelter management services operations at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center (“KBHCC”) for adult men and women experiencing homelessness due to COVID-19. These services will be provided by staff who work for an approved nonprofit organization, faith institution or hospital, with staff from homeless service providers getting priority; and

WHEREAS, this action will continue to provide homeless shelter and dormitory management services for a 400-bed homeless shelter established at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center in order to assist the City’s efforts to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the Bridge will take the lead on shelter operations at KBHCC to include having The Bridge staff onsite during each shift nightly and designating a staff member from The Bridge to serve as the *Nonprofit Workers Lead* to respond to worker inquiries and serve as the point of contact for the City of Dallas Office of Homeless Solutions *Operational Lead*; and

WHEREAS, all funding received for these services will be directed to The Bridge, who will then issue payment to the represented nonprofit partners whose staff work at KBHCC in accordance with established invoicing procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army, in collaboration with the Bridge, will take the lead on mobilizing organizations to have their staff sign-up to work at KBHCC, coordinating KBHCC worker sign-ups, confirming workers are part of the approved network of nonprofit, faith and hospital partners, and communicating pertinent information to the organizations involved in shelter operations.

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas Office of Homeless Solutions will ensure Dallas Police Department officers or other law enforcement are present at the KBHCC during shelter operations, ensure Dallas Fire and Rescue Emergency Medical Technicians are present to conduct COVID-19 screenings during shelter Intake, and assign an *Operational Lead* nightly to be present during shelter operations. the City of Dallas Office of Homeless Solutions will also be responsible for providing required supplies, to include meals, shower trailers and hygiene supplies, masks and gloves for staff, and cots and linens.

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Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Bridge Steps, approved as to form by the City Attorney, to provide temporary homeless shelter and dormitory management services for a 400-bed homeless shelter established at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center in order to assist the City's efforts to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 for the period of March 21, 2020 through May 31, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$78,124.00; and execute any and all documents required by the contract.

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$78,124.00 to the Bridge from the General Fund, Fund 0001, Department MGT, Unit 4289, Object 3070, Service Contract No. OHS-2020-00013403 Vendor VS0000067075, for temporary shelter operations.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.