WHEREAS, Chapter 539 of the Texas Government Code (the "Act") authorizes the Texas Health and Human Services Commission ("HHSC") to make grants to local government entities, nonprofit community organizations and faith-based community organizations under the Healthy Community Collaborative ("HCC") Program, to establish or expand community collaborative that bring the public and private sectors together to provide services to persons experiencing homelessness, substance abuse issues, or mental illness; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2023, the City Council authorized a service contract with Austin Street Center in an amount not to exceed \$575,000.00 per year; CitySquare in an amount not to exceed \$475,000.00 per year; and Bridge Steps dba The Bridge in an amount not to exceed \$450,000,00 per year, approved as to form by the City Attorney, for a term of one year, with two one-year renewal options, for access to homeless recovery services on behalf of the Office of Homeless Solutions for the period October 1,2023 through September 30, 2024, in a total overall amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00, by Resolution No. 23-1341; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2024, the City Council authorized execution of the first of two one-year renewal options with Austin Street Center, approved as to form by the City Attorney, to provide access to homeless recovery services on behalf of the Office of Homeless Solutions for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$575,000.00 of General Fund (subject to annual appropriations) by Resolution No. 24-1406; and

WHEREAS, now using City General Fund, the City desires to continue supporting homeless recovery service following the guidelines of the HCC Program for the 2025-2026 program year and provide access to recovery-oriented services that enable eligible individuals to secure independent housing, secure competitive employment, build or improve existing relationships, and to achieve and maintain ongoing recovery from medical, mental health, and substance use disorders.

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 the second of two, one-year renewal options with Austin Street Center, approved as to form by the City Attorney, to provide access to homeless recovery services for the Office of Homeless Solutions for the period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$575,000.00 from the General Fund (subject to annual appropriations).

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$575,000.00 (subject to annual appropriations) to Austin Street Center (VC0000011655) in accordance with the contract from Service Contract No. OHS-2023-00021882.

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.