

Memorandum



DATE April 21, 2023

CITY OF DALLAS

Honorable Members of the Housing & Homelessness Solutions Committee: Casey Thomas
TO (Chair), Jesse Moreno (Vice-Chair), Carolyn King Arnold, Paula Blackmon, Cara Mendelsohn,
Paul Ridley, Jaynie Schultz

SUBJECT **Shelter Capacity Overflow Services Update**

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee on the Shelter Capacity Overflow Services award which is tentatively scheduled for City Council approval on May 10, 2023. The approval will include ratification for capacity overflow expenses that occurred starting from January 19, 2023, the date of award notification from the Request For Proposals (RFP). Although a procurement was conducted, and while this matter was being processed for City Council approval, public necessity to protect the public health and safety necessitated that services be provided (per Section 10.4.(2) of AD 4-05). There was a need to expand existing shelter services, particularly overflow services (including to hotels), for individuals and families experiencing homelessness due to the loss of pandemic protections, rise in inflation, and scarcity of rental units. The ratification will ensure the needed assistance for our partner agencies this year is covered through September 30, 2023.

Prior Action

The Shelter Capacity Overflow Services was approved by the City Council on September 14, 2022. This item authorized Substantial Amendment No. 4 to the FY 2021-22 Annual Action Plan for the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Relief Fund No. 1 and CARES Act Relief Fund No. 2 for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program to reallocate funds in the amount of \$1,589,407.00 from Rapid Re-Housing and ESG Administration to Emergency Shelter (\$1 million for a solicitation to provide expanded shelter overflow and overflow services to hotels and \$589,407.00 in emergency shelter expenses for repairs at the Bridge, which has had no major improvements in 14 years).

Staff will be available during the Housing & Homelessness Solutions Committee meeting on April 24, 2023, to respond to questions or provide additional information. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Christine Crossley, Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions.

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