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WHEREAS, Housing Forward (formerly Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance), a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, is recognized as a sole source provider, as it is designated as the one and only lead agency, collaborative applicant, and the Homeless Management Information System lead agency, for the local Continuum of Care (CoC), through a memorandum of understanding with the TX-600 (CoC) Board, as recognized by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas has been engaged in providing housing navigation to support people on a pathway to permanent housing through other programs such as the Real Time Rehousing Program; and

WHEREAS, Housing Forward, as a sole source provider, will serve as the Project Lead for the Street to Home Initiative, which is a \$30,000,000.00 public and private funded project that sets to cut the unsheltered homelessness in Dallas and Collin Counties in half as compared to 2021 levels by aligning with the City of Dallas' strategy to reduce encampments and unsheltered homelessness through rapid rehousing; and

WHEREAS, part of this initiative the City of Dallas anticipates a total award of \$5,496,899.95; and

WHEREAS, through the contract with the City of Dallas, Housing Forward will coordinate supportive services and provide rental assistance and paid utility services to allow individuals and families to move immediately out of homelessness and stabilize in permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, assistance will be provided through Housing Forward for up to 12 total months to ensure housing stability, subject to the availability of funds; however, the aggregate amount of financial assistance to an eligible household may receive, but must not exceed 24 months; and

WHEREAS, eligible participants are residents of the CoC geographical area through the Coordinated Access System who are documented as unsheltered homeless as defined by HUD; and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2024, the City Council authorized the transfer and reallocation of ARPA Funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to the ARPA Redevelopment multi-year fund to aid with completing projects by Resolution No. 24-0315; and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2025, the City Council authorized a one-year contract with one option to extend for time only with Housing Forward in the amount of \$2,500,001.00 as a sole source provider, approved as to form by the City Attorney, for the coordination of the Street to Home Initiative enhancing the efforts of the Dallas Real Time Rehousing Project to provide financial assistance in the form of rental assistance and paid utilities to persons experiencing homelessness in accordance with the Program Statement of Services by Resolution No. 25-0290.

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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 two one-year contracts, each with an option to extend for time only, with Housing Forward as a sole source provider, approved as to form by the City Attorney, for the coordination of the Street to Home Initiative enhancing the efforts of the Dallas Real Time Rehousing Project to provide **(1)** financial assistance in the form of rental assistance and paid utilities and supportive services in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.00; and **(2)** supportive services only in an amount not to exceed \$1,096,898.95 to persons experiencing homelessness in accordance with the Program Statement of Services attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, in a total amount not to exceed \$2,996,898.95.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute change orders or amendments to the agreements, in an amount not to exceed a total of 25% of the original contract amount (subject to compliance with the applicable procurement law), to commit and expend funds in a timely manner to meet federal and/or state requirements when necessary.

SECTION 3. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$2,996,898.95 (subject to annual appropriations) to Housing Forward from the City of Dallas, as follows:

HOME-ARPA HASS Fund (TBRA) Fund HMCV, Department MGT, Unit 961G, Object 3070, Encumbrance/Contract No. OHS-2025-00027132 Vendor 517577	\$1,600,000.00
HOME-ARPA HASS Fund Fund HMCV, Department MGT, Unit 962G, Object 3070, Encumbrance/Contract No. OHS-2025-00027135 Vendor 517577	\$1,096,898.95
HOME-ARPA HASS Fund (TBRA) Fund HMCV, Department MGT, Unit 963G, Object 3070, Encumbrance/Contract No. OHS-2025-00027132 Vendor 517577	<u>\$ 300,000.00</u>
Total amount not to exceed	\$2,996,898.95

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SECTION 4. 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.