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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 supporting the moving of individuals and families into stable living environments, treatment, and recovery through funding of programs like the Street to Home initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, Housing Forward, as a sole source provider, will serve as the Project Lead for the Street to Home Initiative Phase 2, which is a Twenty-Eight Million (\$28,000,000.00) public and private funded project that aims to accelerate diversion and rehousing of individuals from existing shelters, and individuals from the streets and encampments in Dallas and Collin Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 17, 2025, the City Council authorized the FY 25-26 Budget, including supporting for those in temporary shelter moving into stable housing, utilizing \$10 million in ARPA funding for moving individuals out of shelters and into stable housing through the local Continuum of Care (CoC); 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 provide assistance with completing projects by Resolution No. 24-0315; and

**WHEREAS**, through the \$10 Million (\$10,000,000.00) contract with the City of Dallas, Housing Forward will provide rental assistance, and associated services, to allow individuals and families to move immediately out of homelessness and stabilize in housing, treatment, and/or recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible participants are residents of the CoC geographical area through the Coordinated Access System (CAS) who are documented as unsheltered as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

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**WHEREAS**, there is a need to reduce encampments and homelessness in the City of Dallas, per Texas Penal Code Section 48.05, Street to Home aligns with the City of Dallas' requirement through diversion and rehousing exits from existing shelters to turn over beds and clear the way for law enforcement and outreach to bring more eligible participants inside. The homeless response system will ensure referrals from the Coordinated Access System into Diversion and Rehousing resources are coming directly from our largest shelters that are consistently at capacity.

**Now, Therefore,**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to **(1)** execute a one-year contract with Housing Forward as a sole source provider, approved as to form by the City Attorney, for the coordination of the Street to Home Phase 2. The City of Dallas funds will accelerate diversion and rehousing efforts by providing financial assistance in the form of rental assistance and paid utilities to persons experiencing homelessness. This phase will turn over beds and clear the way for law enforcement and outreach to bring more people inside to move individuals out of shelters and into stable housing through the local Continuum of Care; and **(2)** execute any and all terms, conditions and documents required by the contract.

**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 percent of the original contract amount (subject to compliance with the applicable procurement law), or for time 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 \$10,000,000.00 to Housing Forward from the ARPA Redevelopment Fund, Fund 0A72, Department HCE, Unit AR89, Object 3070, Encumbrance/Contract No. HCE-2026-00029337, Vendor 517577.

**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.