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WHEREAS, Housing Forward (formerly Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance) 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, Housing Forward, as a sole source provider, will serve as the Project Lead for the region-wide Real Time Rehousing (formerly Dallas R.E.A.L. Time Rapid Rehousing DRTRR) Initiative and will administer City of Dallas and Dallas County funding provided for case management, housing navigation, and administration, along with private funding, apart from this contract, which is expected to come from foundations and private donors and will be raised by Housing Forward with services provided through homeless services providers in the local CoC; and

WHEREAS, this program will utilize Dallas County Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, ARPA Homelessness Assistance and Supportive Services (HASS) Program Funds (subject to appropriations), and City of Dallas Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds; and

WHEREAS, through public funding, outreach services will provide assistance that will include street outreach, housing navigation, and case management, with project administration; and

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

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

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 twenty-month contract with Housing Forward (formerly Metro Dallas Housing Alliance) as a sole source, approved as to form by the City Attorney, for outreach services enhancing the efforts of the Real Time Rehousing (RTR) Project formerly Dallas Real Time Rapid Rehousing (DRTRR); the services will provide front line outreach services to persons experiencing homelessness in encampments and aligns with the City of Dallas' strategy to reduce encampments and unsheltered homelessness through the RTR initiative, in accordance with the Program Statement of Services attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, in an amount not to exceed \$2,354,314.00.

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SECTION 2. That the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute change orders or amendments to the agreements, not to exceed a total of 25 percent (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 \$2,354,314.00 (subject to annual appropriations) to Housing Forward from the City Dallas General Fund, Fund 0001, Department MGT, Unit 4311, Object 3070, Encumbrance/Contract No. OHS-2024-00023681, 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.