WHEREAS, according to the local Homeless Point-in-Time Count, 4,570 individuals were experiencing homelessness at the time of the count in February 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Point-in-Time count results demonstrate the need to invest in programs for homeless persons to promote self-sufficiency and housing stability; and

WHEREAS, having a transportation system has proven to be a popular mode of transportation for the homeless population since the program started in October of 2019; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2019, City Council authorized a fifteen-month contract, with one twelve-month renewal option, with CitySquare to provide services under a System Enhancement Program including but not limited to case management, transportation, behavioral health services, workforce solutions, diversion, or re-entry services to homeless and at-risk individuals and families for the period July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$187,500, by Resolution No. 19-1013; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2021, City Council authorized the first twelve-month renewal option, to the contract with CitySquare for the Dallas Connector, a transportation system for persons experiencing homelessness for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$187,500, by Resolution No. 21-0618.

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 service contract with Austin Street Center (VC0000011655), approved as to form by the City Attorney, for transportation services for persons experiencing homelessness for the Office of Homeless Solutions for a term of one year, in an amount not to exceed \$340,000. If the service was bid or proposed on an as needed basis, unit price basis for performance of specified tasks, payments made to Austin Street Center shall be based only on the amount of the services directed to be performed by the City and properly performed by Austin Street Center under the contract.

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$340,000 (subject to appropriations) to Austin Street Center from Service Contract No. OHS-2021-00017639.

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.