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WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021, City Council authorized the final reading and adoption of the appropriation ordinance for the FY 2021-22 City of Dallas Operating, Capital, and Grant & Trust Budgets, which included the ARPA funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds by Resolution No. 21-1590; and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery Plan Act modified the tax code to enable certain benefits for low- and moderate-income filers; and

WHEREAS, residents of the city of Dallas have experienced negative economic impacts during or due to the COVID-19 pandemic and continue to struggle with unmet needs, due to increased costs, loss of income, and other financial hardships; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas will benefit from a program providing free tax assistance targeted to communities with high concentrations of Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)-eligible filers, as well as outreach, education, and expanded tax assistance service delivery.

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 service contracts with Foundation Communities (VS0000081894), approved as to form by the City Attorney, for **(1)** the administration of a citywide program for tax assistance for the Office of Community Care for a term of one-year in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, with a one one-year renewal option in an amount not to exceed \$200,000; and **(2)** increased service delivery capacity for Volunteer Income Tax Assistance for the Office of Community Care for a term of one-year in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, with a one one-year renewal option in the estimated amount of \$400,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000. If the service was bid or proposed on an as needed basis, unit price basis for performance of specified tasks, payments made to Foundation Communities shall be based only on the amount of the services directed to be performed by the City and properly performed by Foundation Communities under the service contract.

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SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 (subject to annual appropriations) to Foundation Communities from the General Fund, Fund 0001, Department OCC, Unit 5337, Object 3070 and Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Fund FC18, Department OCC, Unit AD27, Object 3070 from Service Contract No. OCC-2022-00018237.

Initial Term: \$ 600,000

Renewal Option: Year 1 \$ 600,000

Total \$1,200,000

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.