



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Keith D. Bostick (Deputy Director)

Department: Human Services

Division: Community Partnerships

Information

Requested Action

A. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution No. 2021-402 of the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida, authorizing appropriation and disbursement of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 funds in the amount of \$49,283,986 to specified service providers for the provision of support services in Broward County; authorizing the County Administrator to execute new agreements and amendments to existing agreements with service providers, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney; approving a revised standard form agreement; authorizing the County Administrator to take all necessary administrative and budgetary actions to implement the agreements; and providing for severability and an effective date.

(Commissioner Rich pulled this item.)

ACTION: (T-10:43 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 6-0. Commissioner Rich abstained from voting. Commissioner Bogen was out of the room during the vote. Commissioner Ryan was not present.

ACTION: (T-11:13 AM) Through Mayor Geller, Commissioners Bogen and Ryan requested being shown voting in the affirmative.

VOTE: 8-0.

B. MOTION TO APPROVE waivers of conflict under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, for the following Broward County advisory board members holding an employment or contractual relationship with an entity receiving funds for the performance of services under this agenda item:

1. Melida J. Akiti
2. Howard A. Bakalar
3. Bradford J. Barnes
4. Michael R. Barron
5. Thomas M. Campbell
6. Keith R. Cavanaugh
7. David J. Clark
8. Ann Deibert
9. Frances M. Esposito
10. Alexander Fernandez

11. Bisiola O. Fortune
12. Vincent J. Foster
13. Rosalyn Frazier
14. Judy Frum
15. Gregory Gayle
16. Patricia Good
17. Claudette E. Grant
18. Charles K. Hetlage
19. Antoine Hickman
20. Walter Honaman
21. Patrick Jenkins
22. Vince L. Johnson
23. Chauniqua D. Kiffin
24. Valery V. Moreno
25. Ann Murray
26. Danny C. Osley
27. Candace M. Pineda
28. Peter Powers
29. Zulma V. Quiles
30. Silvia Quintana
31. Steven Ronik
32. Patricia Rowe-King
33. Rick Siclari
34. Karen Swartzbaugh
35. George S. Werthman

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ACTION: (T-10:43 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 6-0. Commissioner Rich abstained from voting. Commissioner Bogen was out of the room during the vote. Commissioner Ryan was not present.

ACTION: (T-11:13 AM) Through Mayor Geller, Commissioners Bogen and Ryan requested being shown voting in the affirmative.

VOTE: 8-0.

Why Action is Necessary

A. Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Commission") adoption of this Resolution is required for appropriation and disbursement of grant funds for agreements with external agencies and to authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreements.

B. A waiver of a conflict arising under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, requires two-thirds approval by the Commission.

What Action Accomplishes

Adoption of Motion A authorizes funding for agencies to assist the Human Services Department in providing a range of services that address the multifaceted needs of a growing and diverse client population in Broward County using a collaborative, comprehensive, and integrated approach.

Approval of Motion B waives the existence of any conflicts arising under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, as authorized under applicable law.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

None

Summary Explanation/Background

THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS DIVISION RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTIONS.

These actions support the Commission value of “approaching human services collaboratively and compassionately with special emphasis on the most vulnerable” and the goal to “collaborate with public and private partners to find creative, equitable, and responsible solutions to systemic community problems, especially permanent supportive housing for persons experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness.” The appropriated funding supports services that focus on child and adult behavioral health or special health and improves the economic and housing stability of Broward County residents. It also expands support services offered by providers responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Commission approval is requested for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 funding recommendations for service provider agreements identified in Exhibit 1, Attachment A, as new (N), and renewal (R). Letters of Support from the Children’s Services Board (Exhibit 2) and the Homeless Continuum of Care Board (Exhibit 3) are attached.

New agreements for services for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 resulted from a fair, open, and competitive Request for Proposals (“RFP”) that closed on April 8, 2021. The RFP review and rating process included staff and subject matter experts from not-for-profit organizations and government entities. Thirty-one services were advertised in the Fiscal Year 2022 General Services RFP. The agencies identified as new in Exhibit 1, Attachment A, are recommended for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 funding based on the RFP results and community need. Renewal agreements cover services that were initially awarded under a prior RFP and are recommended for continuation in Fiscal Year 2021-2022 based on provider performance and community need.

Staff will utilize the revised standard form agreement (Exhibit 1, Attachment C), which was developed and approved as to form by the Office of the County Attorney. Agreements will be reviewed for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney prior to execution.

Within the general fund contracted programs administered by the Human Services Department, 90% of the outcome indicators were achieved for the last complete Fiscal Year (Exhibit 1, Attachment B).

Approval of this item would give rise to certain employment conflicts under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, which provides that "no public officer... shall have or hold any employment or contractual relationship with any business entity... which is... doing business with an agency of which he or she is an officer or employee." In accordance with 112.313(12), Florida Statutes, Commission approval is required to waive any conflict of interest arising under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes. An effective waiver requires two-thirds vote of the Commission after disclosure of the conflicting relationship (Motion B) in accordance with Section 112.313(12), Florida Statutes. Forms 4A, Disclosure of Business Transaction, Relationship, or Interest, are attached hereto as Exhibit 4 and constitute full disclosure of any existing conflicts.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

The amount of \$49,283,986 is from HSD's Fiscal Year 2022 budget. Actions related to appropriations and disbursement for service providers are contingent upon Commission adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022 budget.