



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Health and Human Services

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: October 17, 2022

Re: Amendment to an Agreement with Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church for Overnight Warming Center Services

Executive Summary

A resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an amendment to an agreement with Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church for overnight warming center services.

Discussion

Due to the challenges and limitations of operating an overnight warming center in the Wabash bus station, staff sought alternative arrangements for overnight warming center services for the winter of 2022-2023. To this end, \$82,500 was included in the FY23 budget as a NDI.

Staff proposes an amendment to the social services provider agreement with Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church (WBUMC) for homeless drop-in center services, to include overnight warming center services as an additional contracted service. The amended agreement will allow for up to 55 nights of overnight warming center operation during the initial term (ending 12/31/2022) and the renewal term (1/1/2023 – 12/31/2023).

The opening of the overnight warming center will be triggered by a forecasted low temperature at or below 25 degrees Fahrenheit. The overnight warming center services will be available seven days per week, from 7 p.m. – 7 a.m., in conjunction with the Room at the Inn winter shelter season.

Two Turning Point staff members will be present for each activation of the overnight warming center. Importantly, Turning point staff will coordinate with Room at the Inn, The Salvation Army, and other shelter providers to direct and coordinate transportation for persons eligible for emergency shelter to available shelter beds. This will limit the overnight warming center services to the limited number of persons who are ineligible for emergency shelter services in the community, as was the original intent of the overnight warming center program.

The proposed amendment to the agreement includes overnight warming center services as a contracted service, increases the total allowable compensation from \$89,991.76 to \$106,491.76 for the initial term and from \$155,991.76 for agreement renewal term, and alters the initial and renewal term payment amounts.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Funding for this agreement amendment is included in the FY2023 budget
Long-Term Impact: none.



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Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Social Equity, Secondary Impact: Economy, Tertiary Impact: Public Safety

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
12/20/2021	R198-21 Authorized the original agreement.

Suggested Council Action

Should the Council agree with staff recommendations, an affirmative vote is in order.