



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Charles Hood, Fire Chief

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Ordinance approving an professional service agreement with David A. Marks, MD, PA for Medical Oversight and Staffing for the San Antonio Fire Department Wellness Center.

SUMMARY:

Ordinance approving an Agreement with “David A. Marks, MD, PA” to provide medical oversight and the staffing of two nurse practitioners for the San Antonio Fire Department Wellness Center for a term of three years, with the option to extend for two, one-year periods. The first year of this agreement is \$321,280.00 from the FY 2024 General Fund Budget, funding for subsequent years is contingent upon City Council approval of the annual budget for a potential five-year contract not to exceed \$1,648,000.00.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In 2010, the Fire Department Wellness Program was created with the goal of supporting the health and wellness of San Antonio Firefighters throughout their careers. This program was designed to provide early detection of serious medical conditions and encourage better health, thereby allowing Firefighters to remain healthy and productive throughout their careers. The program was modeled after the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF)/International Association Fire Chiefs

(IAFC) Wellness-Fitness Initiative (WFI) and in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards.

A request for qualifications (RFQ) was released on July 7, 2023, to select vendor to provide Wellness Medical Oversight & Staffing for the San Antonio Fire Department and closed on August 7, 2023. The RFQ was advertised in the Hart Beat, TVSA channel, the City's Bidding & Contracting Opportunities website, the San Antonio eProcurement System (SAePS), and an email notification was released to a list of potential Respondents. Responses were due on August 7, 2023, and a total of seven (7) firms responded to the RFQ and were deemed eligible for review. On August 22, 2023, the proposals were reviewed by the evaluation committee which included representatives from the San Antonio Fire Department. The proposals were evaluated on Experience, Background, and Qualifications, and Proposed Plan. After committee review and evaluation, David A. Marks, MD, PA was recommended for award by the evaluation committee.

The Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Ordinance requirements was not applicable with No API Recommended.

The Local Preference Program was not applicable to this contract, as the program does not apply to medical services which fall under Professional Services Act 2254.

The Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) Preference Program was not applicable to this contract, as the program does not apply to medical services which fall under Professional Services Act 2254.

ISSUE:

Ordinance approving an Agreement with "David A. Marks, MD, PA" to provide medical oversight and the staffing of two nurse practitioners for the San Antonio Fire Department Wellness Center for a term of three years, with the option to extend for two, one-year periods.

This contract will provide a medical surveillance program which considers the special circumstances associated with the firefighting profession. Medical oversight is provided by a physician licensed in the State of Texas. This contract provides dedicated nurse practitioners, experienced in occupational medicine that will support the wellness program by assisting with early detection of serious medical conditions and encourage better health.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should this contract not be approved, a new RFP would have to be released.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Ordinance approving an Agreement with “David A. Marks, MD, PA” to provide medical oversight and the staffing of two nurse practitioners for the San Antonio Fire Department Wellness Center for a term of three years, with the option to extend for two, one-year periods, for an amount not to exceed \$1,648,000.00. The annual totals are as follows:

- FY 2024: \$321,280
- FY 2025: \$325,440
- FY 2026: \$329,600
- FY 2027: \$333,760
- FY 2028: \$337,920

The first year of this agreement is funded from the FY 2024 General Fund Budget, funding for subsequent years is contingent upon City Council approval of the annual budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this agreement.