

**THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL,  
SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

**ORDINANCE**

**APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH EMPOWER HOUSE  
SA FOR THE LOCKWOOD-DIGNOWITY PARK BUILDING AT 801  
N. OLIVE STREET FOR A TERM OF TEN YEARS COMMENCING  
ON MAY 1, 2024, LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2.**

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**WHEREAS**, Empower House SA, formerly Martinez Street Women’s Center, has established a community presence over the last 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2013, they have operated successfully and provided community health, educational programming, basic needs services, positive parenting programs, plus nutrition and fitness offerings at Lockwood-Dignowity Park; and

**WHEREAS**, Empower House’s mission is to provide transformative community health services, youth development programs and advocacy opportunities that empower women and girls of color; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, Empower House served approximately 500 youth; and

**WHEREAS**, the current agreement expires on April 30, 2024, and a new Lease Agreement is proposed to commence on May 1, 2024, expiring April 30, 2034; and

**WHEREAS**, lieu of rent, Empower House will be responsible for the operations, interior maintenance, electrical utilities, and programming inside the Lockwood-Dignowity Park Building.

**NOW THEREFORE:**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager or designee or the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department or designee is authorized to approve a Lease Agreement with Empower House SA for the Lockwood-Dignowity Park building at 801 N. Olive Street for a term of ten years commencing on May 1, 2024, located in Council District 2.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance will have no fiscal impact on the City’s operations.

**SECTION 3.** No fiscal ordinance language required.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 11th day of April, 2024.

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Ron Nirenberg

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

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Andrew Segovia, City Attorney