

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

ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS UPON AWARD FROM WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS ALAMO FOR THE CHILD CARE SERVICES QUALITY INITIATIVE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,070,520.00 FOR THE FY 2023 CHILD CARE SERVICES (CCS) PROGRAM; APPROVING A TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET OF \$2,070,520.00; AND AUTHORIZING A PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT OF 21 POSITIONS.

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WHEREAS, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) administers the State’s subsidized childcare program funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG); and

WHEREAS, TWC contracts with Workforce Solution Alamo (WSA) to implement the program; and

WHEREAS, through a competitive process, WSA awards contracts to local agencies to provide program services;

WHEREAS, for over 30 years, the Department of Human Services (DHS) has managed the Child Care Subsidy program in Bexar and the 12 rural counties comprising the Alamo Workforce Development Areas; and

WHEREAS, the program provides subsidized childcare to families meeting income and other qualification requirements; and

WHEREAS, TWC also contracts with WSA to implement the Child Care Services Quality Initiative, also known as Texas Rising Star (TRS); and

WHEREAS, this quality initiative provides mentorship and assessments to qualify local childcare centers as TRS providers (high quality childcare centers); and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2021, the WSA Board awarded the City of San Antonio a Child Care Services Quality Initiative grant to operate the Texas Rising Star program in the Alamo Workforce Development Area with up to four one-year extensions; and

WHEREAS, the CCQ grant allows DHS to provide services to childcare providers throughout the 13-county WSA service area including Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, McMullen, Medina, and Wilson counties; and

WHEREAS, currently, DHS serves 130 TRS centers with the overall goal of increasing the number of Texas Rising Star (TRS) providers in our region by certifying 50% of all eligible CCS providers as Texas Rising Star by 2025; and

WHEREAS, DHS is responsible for performing Child Care Quality Improvement Activities such as Mentoring Texas Rising Star (TRS) providers and providers working towards TRS, conducting TRS assessments, reassessments, technical assistance, renewals, and monitoring visits, ensuring proper implementation of Child with disabilities assessments for inclusion rates, and additional programs and special projects structured to increase the number of TRS providers and increase star level for existing TRS providers; **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 Department of Human Services (DHS) or designee, is hereby authorized to accept Child Care Services Quality Initiative grant funds from Workforce Solutions Alamo in the amount of \$2,070,520.00 for the FY 2023 Child Care Services (CCS) Program for the period beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023.

SECTION 2. The budget, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**, is approved and adopted for entry in the City books.

SECTION 3. The personnel complement of twenty one (21) positions, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment II**, is hereby approved.

SECTION 4. The City Manager or designee, or the Director of the Department of Human Services (DHS) or designee, is further authorized to initiate, negotiate, and execute any and all necessary documents and a grant contract to effectuate the acceptance of the grant referenced in Section 1 of this ordinance and to execute contract amendments pertaining to this grant contract to include a) carry-over funds, when ascertained and approved by the funding agency through a revised notice of award; b) line item budget revisions authorized by the funding agency; c) modifications to the performance measures authorized by the funding agency and listed in the contract so long as the terms of the amendment stay within the general parameters of the intent of the grant; d) no cost extensions; e) amendments which will provide supplemental grant funds to the grant by the funding agency in an amount up to 20% of the total amount initially awarded to the grant; f) reimbursement increases of administrative funds for each participant served; g) amendments funding one time equipment purchases or defined program services; and h) changes in regulations mandated by the funding agency.

SECTION 5. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED and APPROVED this 29th day of September, 2022.

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Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

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