

ORDINANCE

2023-01-12-0008

ACCEPTING THE BUILDING ECOSYSTEMS FOR YOUTH OPPORTUNITY GRANT FROM THE ASPEN INSTITUTE FORUM FOR COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,000 FOR A PERIOD THROUGH MAY 31, 2024; AND APPROVING A PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT OF ONE POSITION UNDER THE YOUTH SUCCESS DIVISION.

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WHEREAS, disengaged youth in the San Antonio community face a myriad of challenges; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2017, a working group of seven City of San Antonio (COSA) departments providing youth services convened to discuss an action plan to address those challenges; and

WHEREAS, the working group proposed the creation of the state's first comprehensive re-engagement center for opportunity youth; and

WHEREAS, in September of 2018, the mayor and city council approved almost \$1 million in its base budget to begin assisting the estimated 34,000 opportunity youth living in San Antonio at that time; and

WHEREAS, five months after receiving funding, the NXT Level Youth Opportunity Center through collaborative contracts with Communities in Schools-San Antonio and Goodwill San Antonio, opened in the 78207 zip code, which has some of the highest dropout and unemployment rates in the city; and

WHEREAS, using a trauma-informed approach, the program reconnects youth to school and/or the workplace by addressing the youth's personal barriers and providing a caring support system throughout their time in the program; and

WHEREAS, the following year, the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions awarded the Department of Human Services the Scaling Pathways for Opportunity Youth planning grant; and

WHEREAS, this grant in conjunction with the creation of the NXT Level Youth Opportunity Center has been the catalyst for more strategic conversations occurring in San Antonio on how to better serve opportunity youth; and

WHEREAS, working with over 20 community organizations that support opportunity youth, the City's Youth Success Division developed a comprehensive three-year strategic plan; and

WHEREAS, part of this work also included the formation of a deliberate pathway for opportunity youth without a high school credential to attain post-secondary and work experience options; and

WHEREAS, this pathway was proposed to the Aspen Institute for funding in January 2021 and San Antonio was one of four communities in the nation to be awarded the accelerator grant on April 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City's Department of Human Services was again invited to apply for a grant issued by the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2022, DHS was awarded an 18-month Building Ecosystems for Youth Opportunity Grant from the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions totaling \$96,000; **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 the Building Ecosystems for Youth Opportunity grant from the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions in the amount of \$96,000.00 for the period beginning December 1, 2022 and ending May 31, 2024. A copy of the original grant application is on file with DHS.

SECTION 2. Upon acceptance of this award, funds received will be deposited in Fund 29603027, Internal Order 838000000021 and General Ledger 4502280 and an amount not to exceed \$96,000.00 will be appropriated in said fund. 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 one (1) position, 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

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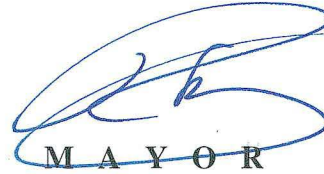
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SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

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 12th day of January, 2023.



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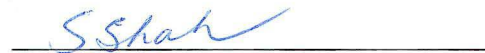
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:



Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Andrew Segovia, City Attorney



City of San Antonio
City Council Meeting
January 12, 2023

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Ordinance accepting the Building Ecosystems for Youth Opportunity Grant from the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions in the amount of \$96,000 for a period through May 31, 2024; and approving a personnel complement of one position under the Youth Success Division. [Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Human Services]

Councilmember Rocha Garcia moved to Approve on the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Viagran seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Nirenberg, Bravo, McKee-Rodriguez, Viagran, Rocha Garcia, Castillo, Cabello Havrda, Sandoval, Pelaez, Courage, Perry