



Legislation Text

File #: 210982, Version: 2

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR ORDINANCE NO. 210982

Authorizing the Director of Housing and Community Development to execute a \$300,000.00 contract with Amethyst Place for pre-development money towards the creation of 34 additional units that will serve as a housing solution to provide temporary, transitional, and/or permanent housing options for single mothers and children who are houseless and/or at the lowest income levels, using previously appropriated funds.

WHEREAS, over the past few decades, housing costs have risen faster than incomes, driving more and more families and individuals into houselessness; and

WHEREAS, over the past two years, the COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the impact of job and income loss, driving additional families and individuals into homelessness at an ever-increasing rate; and

WHEREAS, current efforts to respond to this increased demand for shelter, food, medical and other services in support of the houseless population, although well-intended and helpful in the moment, have not provided an ongoing or long-term solution; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a request for proposals (RFP) seeking proposals from qualified respondents for the creation of new housing solutions that provide temporary, transitional, and permanent housing options for residents that are houseless and/or at the lowest income levels; and

WHEREAS, Amethyst Place submitted a proposal to provide permanent supportive housing for single mothers and children; and

WHEREAS, the City has selected Amethyst Place who provided unique ways of helping the City take the next steps in addressing houselessness and low-income housing; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY THAT:

Section 1. The Director of Housing and Community Development is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Amethyst Place in the amount of \$300,000.00 from funds previously appropriated in Account No. 22-1000-552037-B for pre-development money towards the creation of 34 additional units to serve single mothers and children who are houseless and/or at the lowest income levels.

I hereby certify that there is a balance, otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of the appropriation to which the foregoing expenditure is to be charged, and a cash balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the treasury, to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

Tammy L. Queen
Director of Finance

Approved as to form and legality:

Joseph Guarino
Assistant City Attorney