

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Ordinance 1) adopting the Human Services Commission's 2023-2024 Human Services Fund funding recommendations and 2) authorizing the City Manager or his designee to enter into contracts with local human services agencies in accordance with the recommendations.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance adopts the Human Services Commission's 2023-2024 Human Services Fund funding recommendations as presented to the City Council at the October 24 Study Session.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Ordinance No. 6689

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Human Services Commission reviewed 134 Human Services Fund applications over nine hybrid meetings to draft its funding recommendations for 2023-2024. The requests received for funding totaled over \$10 million, more than twice the \$5 million available annual budget. The Human Services budget is calculated according to a formula (base amount + inflation adjustment + population growth). The budget for the 2023-2024 biennium includes \$1,078,000 of Amazon's \$2 million donations to the Human Services Fund. Staff presented the Commission's recommendations to Council at the October 24 Study Session.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

The Human Services Commission is governed by Chapter 3.61 of the Bellevue City Code, which states that it shall review all requests for funding of human services and make recommendations to the City Council.

Comprehensive Plan, Human Services Element:

- HS-3. Identify opportunities and develop strategies that are preventative in their approach to human services needs.
- HS-4. Allocate funds and other resources across the continuum of human services needs by soliciting proposals from nonprofit agencies and services benefiting low- and moderate-income residents.
- HS-12. Support and actively coordinate with local, regional, and national efforts that address local human services needs to ensure local programs complement programs provided at the county, state and federal level.

- HS-14. Support agencies locating human services facilities in Bellevue and, where appropriate, encourage efficiencies through agency collocation and collaboration.

Fiscal Impact

This action will authorize execution of human service contracts totaling \$4,821,931 in 2023 and \$5,048,562 in 2024 with the base amount adjusted for inflation and population growth. The specific funding commitments will be budgeted in the Human Services Fund as outlined in Attachment A.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Ordinance 1) adopting the Human Services Commission's 2023-2024 Human Services Fund funding recommendations and 2) authorizing the City Manager or his designee to enter into contracts with local human services agencies in accordance with the recommendations.
2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

A. 2023-2024 Human Services Fund Funding Recommendations
Proposed Ordinance No. 6689

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N/A