

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing execution of an amendment to an existing agreement with Eastside Pathways in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, plus all applicable taxes.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Resolution authorizes the execution of an amendment to an existing agreement with Eastside Pathways providing funding for 2019-2020.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9553.

If approved, effective date: 02/19/2019

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Founded in 2011, Eastside Pathways is a community-wide partnership of more than 60 public, private, and nonprofit organizations that unite around common goals, measurements, and strategies to maximize each child's opportunity for a productive, fulfilling life. Eastside Pathways serves as the backbone organization, supporting this partnership through ongoing facilitation, communication, data reporting, and logistical and administrative support, enabling organizations to be more productive and effective by working together. Eastside Pathways recruits and trains volunteers who participate on teams or collaboratives focused on specific goals. Eastside Pathways also creates a data framework to facilitate the work of the service providers who have established goals, outcomes, and indicators in specific collaborative work groups. Numerous Eastside organizations use Eastside Pathways' annual community report to align their activities and/or services as well as to pursue grants.

The City of Bellevue has worked with Eastside Pathways as a partner agency since Eastside Pathways was formed. The City also works directly with a number of the Eastside Pathways program partners and potential partners. Council recently approved human services funds to 40 organizations, 20 of which are current partners in the Eastside Pathways program.

In 2017, Council authorized execution of a 10-year agreement with Eastside Pathways that included an investment of \$400,000 over 2017 and 2018 to be used to continue and expand training programs for the partnership and for the facilitators of the collaboratives. City funds were also used to enhance data compilation, data reporting, and to continue to expand community participation in the partnership.

In the 2019-2020 Parks & Community Services Operating Budget, Council again authorized an investment of \$200,000 annually (for a total of \$400,000) to Eastside Pathways. The City's investment will provide the following:

- **Annual Report.** Eastside Pathways will produce an independent scorecard demonstrating performance measures that track positive change in community outcomes. Eastside Pathways is responsible for identifying and tracking data points of Bellevue children and youth and distributing the information so that all partners have access to the same data. Simultaneously, the performance measures inform the partners and the community of key findings and progress over time.
- **Training and Volunteer Services.** Eastside Pathways will support community work through the planning, recruiting, training, and supervising of a network of volunteers.
- **Data Sharing Framework Project.** Eastside Pathways will develop a data sharing framework on behalf of its partner organizations and the community. Eastside Pathways will facilitate the collection and connection of data across and among partners to enable continuous improvement for the cradle to career pipeline.
- **Provide Additional Programming.** Eastside Pathways will produce a variety of other training and community events that engage stakeholders in the work of Collective Impact including, but not limited to, Eastside Pathways 101 and All Partner Meetings.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Executing this amendment to an existing agreement with Eastside Pathways furthers the Council's vision priority of "Achieving Human Potential." The City's investment in Eastside Pathways will help to ensure that the community is working together more efficiently and effectively to improve systems for all youth and children in Bellevue, especially low-income populations and communities of color.

This continuing partnership with Eastside Pathways also supports the City's Comprehensive Plan, specifically the policies identified below from the Human Services Element and the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Element.

Human Services Element

HS-2: Encourage efficient use of public and private resources and develop a broad base of community support.

HS-3: Identify opportunities and develop strategies that are preventive in their approach to human services needs.

HS-4: Allocate funds and other resources across the continuum of human service needs by soliciting proposals from nonprofit agencies for services benefiting low- and moderate-income residents.

HS-13: Encourage partnerships among public and private institutions, schools, human services providers, and others to collectively address needs of children and families using schools as a focal point for the community.

Parks, Recreation & Open Space Element

PA-18: Provide a variety of services and programs accessible to all throughout the city with special emphasis on serving those with limited opportunities including low-income households, youth, individuals with disabilities and older adults.

PA-25: Promote partnerships with public and private service providers to meet cultural, recreational, and social needs of the community.

Fiscal Impact

This action will obligate the City to an amount not to exceed \$400,000, plus all applicable taxes. Sufficient funding exists in the 2019-2020 Parks & Community Services Department Operating Budget.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of an amendment to an existing agreement with Eastside Pathways in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, plus all applicable taxes.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 9553

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Eastside Pathways Funding Agreement
First Amendment to the Funding Agreement