



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. IX. Z
1/30/2024

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Resolution accepting the donation of \$102,000 from Communities Foundation of Oklahoma on behalf of the Inasmuch Foundation; allocating \$296,500 in City funds to extend the Professional Services Agreement with Clutch Consulting; and approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Service Agreement with Clutch Consulting Group to support implementation of strategies to address homelessness in Oklahoma City, \$398,500, extending the term through December 31, 2025.

Background:

In April 2019, Mayor David Holt established a Taskforce on Homelessness to work with a consultant and community stakeholders to develop the *Strategies to Address Homelessness in Oklahoma City*. The Strategies were received by City Council on September 28, 2021 (Item IX.AC).

In 2021, in the process of evaluating the next implementation steps, the Arnall and Inasmuch Foundations offered to engage Clutch Consulting Group ("Clutch Consulting") to work with Oklahoma City homeless services staff and local funders to drive the strategic and systematic transformation of the homeless response system. A Resolution accepting services funded by donations from the Foundations for this purpose was approved by Council on May 10, 2022 (Item IX.AG).

On October 25, 2022 (Item No. IX. P) Council accepted donations of \$107,500 from both the Arnall and Inasmuch Foundations for a Professional Services Agreement with Clutch Consulting to provide services through December of 2023. The agreement also included an additional allocation of \$110,000 in City general funds for a total contract of \$325,000. Since that time, Clutch Consulting has assisted staff in restructuring the Continuum of Care Board, increasing system capacity and piloting encampment decommissioning.

To continue this work, the Inasmuch Foundation, through the Communities Foundation of Oklahoma, has offered to again partner with the City and donate half of the cost to extend Clutch's contract through 2025 with the goal of reducing chronic unsheltered homelessness by 75% in Oklahoma City. The cost of the extended services totals \$593,000 for phases III and IV of the project with the City and the Inasmuch Foundation both contributing half of the cost (\$296,500 each). \$194,500 of the Inasmuch donation was disbursed directly to Clutch by Communities Foundation of Oklahoma, the manager of the funds. This leaves \$102,000 of the Inasmuch

donation remaining.

The item being submitted for approval today will accept the remaining donation from Inasmuch via Communities Foundation of Oklahoma and allocate \$296,500 in City general funds to extend the agreement with Clutch and approve the amended contract with Clutch Consulting to extend services through December 31, 2025.

Cost:

\$398,500

Source of Funds:

General Fund - General Operations-UASN – Homelessness Services – Budget-Other Services and Charges (001-0001-2400206-52000001) and Special Purpose – Homeless Strategies Study – Homelessness Services – Donations-Operating (750-1696-2400206-43900002)

Review:

Planning Department

Recommendation: Resolution be adopted.