



Interoffice Memorandum

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TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
and the Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Approval of Contract Y19-1048, Orange County's Permanent Supportive Housing Program – Project Restore

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Contract Y19-1048, Orange County's Permanent Supportive Housing Program – Project Restore, with Grand Avenue Economic Development Corporation in the estimated contract award amount of \$537,000 for a 1-year term. Further request authorization for the Procurement Division to renew the contract for three additional 1-year terms.

PURPOSE:

This contract will provide permanent supportive housing and supportive services for 40 chronically homeless individuals.

FUNDING:

Funding is available in account number 0001-060-2504-8610.

DISCUSSION:

This is a non-profit contract with Grand Avenue Economic Development Corporation (GAECDC) to provide a "housing first" approach to permanent supportive housing of the chronically homeless in Orange County. In accordance with Orange County Code, Chapter 17, Finance, Article III, Procurement, contracts between the Board and non-profit entities are exempt from competition. GAECDC will manage tenant selection and in-home supportive services inclusive of case management, entitlement services, mental health services, substance abuse services, independent living skills, vocational services, health/medical services, peer support services, and social activities. All services will be provided to the extent that funds and brokering services are available.

The chronically homeless to be served will be those registered on the community's Coordinated Entry System (CES) list as the highest risk priority, most vulnerable, and located in Orange County. GAECDC will use the CES list, developed and managed by Continuum of Care, as the only referral source for the permanent supportive housing units. Price reasonableness was determined by comparing the cost against the current contract. GAECDC will provide 40 units at a monthly rate of \$1,118.75 each, totaling \$44,750. This constitutes a 2.8% increase when compared to the current contract.