# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

2:00 f.m.

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Dennis J. Campa, Director, Department of Community Initiatives

**SUBJECT:** 

Reprogramming of Emergency Shelter Grant Funds to the Dwyer Avenue Center

and execution of an Amended Delegate Agency Contract with the San Antonio

Food Bank

**DATE:** 

May 5, 2005

## SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance authorizes the reprogramming of 2003 Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds in the total amount of \$20,685 as follows: a contract amendment for \$5,741 with the San Antonio Food Bank (SAFB) to provide meals to 16 additional emergency shelter families at the Dwyer Avenue Center from June 1, 2005 to September 30, 2005 and an allocation of \$14,944 to the Dwyer Avenue Center for operations and maintenance needed to provide additional emergency shelter. This ordinance also approves a revised ESG budget.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Pursuant to Ordinance #99372 on June 24, 2004, the SAFB, was contracted to serve 24,090 meals to the Dwyer Avenue Center (DAC) emergency overflow shelter residents for the contract period of October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005. Sixteen families in transitional housing, currently at the DAC, will relocate to units at a San Antonio Housing Authority Complex in June 2005, thereby vacating units at the Dwyer Avenue Center allowing them to be used as emergency shelter for homeless families. Because the 16 new emergency shelter units allow for the provision of meals, a total of \$5,741 in ESG funds must be reprogrammed to the SAFB and will fund one additional part-time SAFB staff person to provide 18,300 meals for the additional 16 emergency families.

Emergency Shelter Grant funds must be reallocated for emergency shelter operation and maintenance costs at the DAC, given that the Supportive Housing Program funds cannot support emergency shelter units. The proposed ordinance allows \$14,944 of ESG funds remaining from the management services agreement with the American Association of Mexican Americans, which has ended, to be reallocated to the DAC to support the costs of providing 16 additional emergency shelter units.

A public hearing of the proposed reprogramming is required prior to council action.

## **POLICY ANALYSIS**

This ordinance continue existing City policy to utilize grant funds to support the City's Human Development core issues of Family Strengthening and Community Safety Net by providing shelter and support services to homeless residents of San Antonio and Bexar County.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The ordinance authorizes the reprogramming of \$5,741 from the 2003 ESG funds to the SAFB and \$14,944 of 2003 ESG funds for the operations and maintenance of the Dwyer Avenue Center. Federal regulations require ESG funds to be matched at 100%, which will be accomplished within the existing Community Initiatives budget.

#### **COORDINATION**

Coordination has occurred with the City Attorney's Office, Finance Department, Office of Management and Budget, and the Department of Housing and Community Development.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS**

A Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form is attached.

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