



City of Newark

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Legislation Text

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Dept/Agency: Administration/ Office of the Business Administrator

Action: (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Contract with Sub-recipient

Purpose: Provide CDBG General Services

Entity Name: Liberation in Truth Social Justice Center, Inc., doing business as Newark LGBTQ Community Center

Entity Address: 11 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102

Grant Amount: \$20,000.00

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)/ Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) Funds

Contract Period: January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015

Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS

(X) Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions (X) RFP () RFQ

() Private Sale (X) Grant (X) Sub-recipient () n/a

Additional Information:

Funds accepted by Resolution 7R1-K adopted January 7, 2015.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 7R1-K, adopted January 7, 2015, the Mayor and/or his designee, the Business Administrator, were authorized to file FY2015 (Program Year 2014-2015) One-Year Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which contained requests for funds from four grant programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), \$6,569,453.00; HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), \$1,466,755.00; Housing Opportunities for People With AIDS (HOPWA), \$6,473,182.00 (on behalf of Newark and the "Eligible Metropolitan Area"); and Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG), \$548,578.00, and were further authorized to accept these grant funds and enter into a grant agreement with HUD for these funds, with no municipal funds required; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the competitive contracting process of the State Local Public Contracts Law, as authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1b(1) (being the operation, management or administration of a social services program), and pursuant also to the fair and open process of State Pay-to-Play Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, the City of Newark publicly advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for CDBG General Services on June 20, 2014 with all proposals due on July 21, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the City of Newark hereby ratifies the use of competitive contracting for processing these Housing and Urban Development Entitlement Programs from June 20, 2014 to the date of adoption of this Resolution and authorizes its use in the future; and

WHEREAS, the proposal received from Liberation in Truth Social Justice Center, Inc., doing

business as Newark LGBTQ Community Center, 11 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, hereinafter, "Sub-Recipient" was the most advantageous to the City of Newark, based on experience and all other criteria listed in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator desires to enter into an Agreement with the Sub-Recipient, for the purpose of providing CDBG General Services for the contract period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, for a total contract amount of \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is awarded to the Sub-Recipient, in compliance with Local Public Contracts Law, including but not limited to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(b)(2) and/or N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, and Community Development Block Grant, 24 CFR 135 (Section #3 reporting requirements) and 24 CFR. 570.201; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark adopted the "Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform" ordinance, codified at Section 2:4-22C of the Revised General Ordinances of Newark (hereinafter "Pay-to-Play Reform Ordinance"), which requires reporting of political contributions to candidates for City of Newark elective municipal offices or City of Newark or County of Essex political committees and prohibits certain political contributions during the duration of the contract; and

WHEREAS, reporting requirements pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, *et seq.* and the "Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform" ordinance are only applicable to Business Entities as defined therein and do not include non-profit organizations. As a non-profit organization, Liberation in Truth Social Justice Center, Inc., doing business as Newark LGBTQ Community Center, is therefore not required to submit certain disclosure statements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Business Administrator, are hereby authorized to enter into and execute an Agreement with Liberation in Truth Social Justice Center, Inc., doing business as Newark LGBTQ Community Center, 11 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, for the period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, to provide CDBG General Services, which is further described in the "Scope of Services" attached hereto.
2. The contract between the City of Newark and Sub-Recipient is hereby ratified from January 1, 2015 to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
3. The total compensation to be paid pursuant to said Agreement is \$20,000.00 and shall be paid from CDBG funding.
4. The terms of the contract may only be waived or amended in writing and signed by the parties duly authorized to execute this contract, subject to the approval of the Newark Municipal Council by Resolution. The term of this contract may be extended for up to two (2) 6-month periods, provided that any such extension is at no additional cost to the City, is authorized by

Resolution of the Newark Municipal Council including a finding that the services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner, and is in writing and signed by both parties.

5. The Municipal Council ratifies the use of competitive contracting for processing and awarding Housing and Urban Development Entitlement Programs from June 20, 2014 to the date of adoption of this Resolution and authorizes its use in the future.
6. This Agreement is being awarded pursuant to the fair and open procedures of the State Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.5, State Local Public Contracts Law, including but not limited to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(b)(2) and/or N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, and Community Development Block Grant, 24 CFR 135 (Section #3 reporting requirements) and 24 CFR 570.201.
7. Attached hereto is a Certification of Funds from the Municipal Comptroller of the City of Newark, which states that there are sufficient funds for the purpose set forth hereinabove.
8. An executed copy of said Agreement shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk by the Business Administrator.

STATEMENT

This resolution authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee, the Business Administrator, to enter into a contract with Liberation in Truth Social Justice Center, Inc., doing business as Newark LGBTQ Community Center, 11 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102, utilizing CDBG funding, for the purpose of providing CDBG General Services, for the period of January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, for the total contract amount of \$20,000.00.