

Ordinance accepting and appropriating the 2026 Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) Homeless Housing and Services Program (HHSP) grant in the amount of \$209,232.00 for the General Set Aside and \$55,371.00 for the Youth Set Aside, totaling \$264,603.00; authorizing the execution of funding agreements, and other documents necessary to implement the 2026 program; and amending the FY2026 Operating Budget.

WHEREAS, the Homeless Housing and Services Program ("HHSP") was established by the 81st Texas Legislature through an appropriations rider and codified during the 82nd Texas legislative session to provide funding to the nine largest cities in Texas, including the City of Corpus Christi ("City"), in support of services to homeless individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) is awarding \$264,603.00 for the 2026 program year to the City to support the reduction of homelessness and increase housing stability. The general population funds are \$209,232.00 and the youth set-aside is \$55,371.00. These funds will be awarded to local homeless service providers through a competitive process.

WHEREAS, the general allocation must be used by the City on activities eliminating and/or preventing homelessness, including the construction, development, or procurement of housing for homeless persons; rehabilitation of structures targeted to serving homeless persons or persons at-risk of homelessness; provision of direct services and case management to homeless persons or persons at-risk of homelessness; or other homelessness-related activities as approved by TDHCA; and

WHEREAS, the youth set-aside must be used by the City on activities eliminating and/or preventing homelessness, including case management and essential services associated with finding and maintaining stable housing; provision of direct services for youth and young adults experiencing or at-risk of homelessness; construction, development, or procurement of housing for youth and young adults experiencing homelessness; rehabilitation of structures targeted to serving youth and young adults experiencing or at-risk of homelessness; operation of emergency shelters or administrative facilities.; or other homelessness-related activities as approved by TDHCA; and

WHEREAS, Section §7.22(d) under Title 10 of the Texas Administrative Code ("HHSP Rule") provides that before TDHCA can enter into a contract, the City must provide evidence of a governing body action (resolution or ordinance) which states that the City has authorization to enter into a contract for HHSP funds and must provide the name and title of the person authorized to represent the City and has signature authority to execute a contract. The City of Corpus Christi is designating Daniel McGinn, Director of Planning & Economic Development, to authorize the Department to enter into a contract for the receipt of HHSP funding from TDHCA. The City of Corpus Christi also designates Amanda Rodriguez, Unhoused Programs Administrator Planning & Economic Development, as the administrator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS:

Section 1. The City Council specifically finds that the foregoing statements included in the preamble of this ordinance are true and correct, and adopts such findings for all intents and purposes.

Section 2. The Director of Planning & Economic Development Department, Daniel McGinn, for the City of Corpus Christi, or designee, is hereby authorized to represent the City and execute TDHCA contracts for these HHSP Program funds.

Section 3. The City's FY2026 Operating Budget adopted by Ordinance No. 033730 is amended to increase expenditures by \$264,603.00 to reflect in accounting string 1071-530000 for the HHSP grant.

Section 4. The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute any future amendments to the Contract which extend the contract period or increase or decrease the amount of the grant.

Section 5. That in the event of loss or misuse of the grant funds, the City of Corpus Christi assures that the grant funds will be returned in full to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Introduced and voted on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

PASSED and APPROVED on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Paulette Guajardo, Mayor

Rebecca Huerta, City Secretary