



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: July 18, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, (805) 681-5220
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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness: Davis Guest Home, Inc. FY 22-24 Board Contract

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Davis Guest Home, Inc.**, (not a local vendor), for the provision of Intensive Residential Treatment Services, for the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024; for a contract maximum amount not to exceed \$565,000, inclusive of **\$215,000** for FY 22-23 and **\$350,000** for FY 23-24; the FY 22-23 contract maximum is inclusive of **\$200,000** under Purchase Order CN2531 but which otherwise cancels, nullifies, and supersedes Purchase Order CN2531.
- B. Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per Section 20 of the Agreement and make immaterial changes to the Agreement per Section 26 of the Agreement, all without altering the maximum contract amount and without requiring the Board’s approval of an amendment of the Agreement, subject to the Board’s ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and
- C. Determine that the above actions are government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

The above-referenced item is on the agenda to request approval of the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Davis Guest Home, Inc. (Davis) for the provision of Intensive Residential Treatment Services. The Department of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) currently contracts with Davis under a Purchase Order (CN2531) for a total contract maximum amount of \$200,000 for FY 22-23. BWell is requesting that the FY 22-23 contract maximum amount be increased by \$15,000, for a new FY 22-23 maximum amount of \$215,000, due to three (3) clients needing higher acuity rates. FY 22-23 contract maximum is inclusive of \$200,000 under Purchase Order CN2531 but which otherwise cancels, nullifies, and supersedes Purchase Order CN2531. BWell is also requesting that the Board Contract end date be extended to June 30, 2024, with a FY 23-24 contract maximum not to exceed \$350,000, for a total FY 22-24 contract maximum amount not to exceed \$565,000.

Background:

Davis operates an Intensive Residential Treatment Facility located in Modesto, California, which is a licensed as an Adult Residential Facility by the California Department of Social Services Community Care Licensing Division.

There are a limited number of these highly structured residential treatment services in California. BWell contracts with Institutions for Mental Disease (IMDs) that are licensed as Acute Psychiatric Hospitals, Skilled Nursing Facilities with Special Treatment Patches, and Mental Health Rehabilitation Centers. BWell also contracts with IMD-alternative facilities, which are unlocked facilities providing highly structural residential programs for clients transitioning out of IMDs.

BWell has contracted with Davis for Intensive Residential Treatment services since 2004. Davis provides twenty-four-hour, seven-days-per-week structured mental health rehabilitation services, residential care, and room and board to adults (aged 18 and over) with severe mental illness, who are at high risk for acute inpatient or long-term residential care, who are transitioning from or are at risk of placement at IMDs, Acute Inpatient facility settings, or other residential living settings, for a maximum of 18 months.

Approval of this Board Contract will allow for BWell to continue providing necessary Residential Treatment mental health services to BWell clients without a gap in service.

Performance Measures

The program goals for **Intensive Residential Treatment Services:**

1. Reduce mental health and substance abuse symptoms resulting in reduced utilization of involuntary care and emergency rooms for mental health and physical health problems.
 - a. Clients in Incarcerations / Juvenile Hall- ($\leq 5\%$).
 - b. Client Psychiatric Inpatient Admissions- ($\leq 10\%$).
 - c. Clients in Physical Health Hospitalizations- ($< 10\%$).
 - d. Clients in Physical Health Emergency Care- ($< 10\%$).
 - e.
2. Assist clients in their mental health recovery process and with developing the skills necessary to lead independent, healthy and productive lives in the community.
 - a. Of those who discharged: % who transitioned to a higher level of care- (≥ 15)
 - b. Of those who discharged: % who transitioned to a lower level of care (or graduated/discharged because care no longer needed or medical necessity not met)-
 ≥ 85
 - c. Incidents requiring a higher level of supervision- ≥ 5

Performance Outcomes

Narrative:

Davis Guest Home had the following outcomes for FY 2022-23:

Davis served an average of 3 clients per quarter with no discharges. They met four of their seven goals. There were no clients admitted to psychiatric inpatient care with a goal of 10% or less; 46% received emergency care for physical health with a goal of 10% or less; 40% were hospitalized for physical health with a goal of 10% or less; 23% had incidents that required a higher level of supervision with a goal of 5% or less; no clients were incarcerated with a goal of 5% or less; and there were no discharges either to a higher or lower level of care.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>	<u>Total FY 22-24 Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 215,000	\$ 350,000	
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 215,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 565,000

Narrative: The above-referenced contract is funded by State funds. The recommended contract increases will be funded through existing IMD and Acute Hospital contract savings and an unanticipated increase in realignment revenue by the State. These costs are included in the FY 2022-2023 Adjusted and FY 2023-2024 Adopted Budgets.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments. Behavioral Wellness contracts include language requiring contractors to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to County.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Davis Guest Home, Inc. FY 22-24 Board Contract

Attachment B: Davis Guest Home, Inc. FY 22-23 Purchase Order (CN2531)

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) complete, signed Board Contract and one (1) Minute Order to Amber Foschaar at cfoschaar@sbcbswell.org and to bwelcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

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