

## Agenda Item No. 69

### **..Fiscal Note**

The 2017 Adopted Operating Budget includes \$400,000 within the Community Development Division to support purchased service contracts for violence prevention. The proposed resolution authorizes utilizing \$75,000 for services to individuals impacted by violence. This appropriation is for a purchased services contract with Nehemiah and the Focused Interruption Coalition to provide peer support services to persons or households impacted by acts of violence. ~~\$25,000 will be used for direct aid and rapid response efforts for individuals impacted by violence. This resolution transfers \$25,000 from purchased services to supplies within the CDD budget to provide such assistance.~~ No additional appropriation is required.

### **..Title**

**ALTERNATE-** Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a **\$75,000** contract with Nehemiah Community Development Corporation for short term peer support and crisis response services **to support services to persons or households impacted by acts of violence.**

Sponsor: Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney

### **..Body**

WHEREAS, the City of Madison Common Council designated \$400,000 in the 2017 budget in order to strategically reduce violence in our community through implementing the evidence based practice of peer support programming; and

WHEREAS, this peer support programming is a component of the community led violence prevention plan to reduce violence and recidivism in the city; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Division is developing a request for proposals to have service providers contracted for Peer Support efforts in Fall 2017; and

WHEREAS, violence, effects of violence, threats of violence, and trauma in our community need to be responded to with appropriate urgency as a critical public safety and public health concern; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that individuals and families who are threatened by gun violence, witness gun violence, or are impacted by gun violence, can benefit from the immediate availability of peer support assistance that assists in de-escalating conflict and stabilizing individuals as well as households during or following a traumatic event;

WHEREAS, persons impacted by violence are often confronted with unanticipated, short-term expenses associated with such things as injury or death, medical treatment, the loss of housing stability, personal safety concerns, access to transportation, or other immediate basic household needs; and

WHEREAS, the provision of immediate, short-term assistance to help meet such needs can often help to de-escalate conflict and stabilize affected individuals and households following traumatic events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council transfers \$75,000 from The 2017 Adopted Operating Budget of \$400,000 within the Community Development Division to support purchased service contracts for violence prevention, peer support programming, individuals and families who are threatened by gun violence, witness gun violence, or are impacted by gun violence, can benefit from the immediate availability of peer support assistance that assists in de-escalating conflict and stabilizing individuals as well as households during or following a traumatic event, **unanticipated, short-term expenses associated with such things as injury or death, medical treatment, the loss of housing stability, personal safety concerns, access to transportation, or other immediate basic household needs; and immediate, short-term assistance to help meet such needs can often help to de-escalate conflict and stabilize affected individuals and households following traumatic events;** and therefore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will enter into a \$75,000 Purchase of Service Contract **through September 30, 2017** with Nehemiah Community Development Corporation to formalize and implement peer support services, crisis response and immediate and unanticipated, short-term expenses associated with such things and for the purposes described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as a condition of this contract with Nehemiah Community Development Corporation (Nehemiah), the completed and agreed upon MOU between Nehemiah signed and accepted by the city containing language that outlines specific reporting responsibilities, accountability, metrics, reporting dates providing copies of all signed subcontracts contained within the first quarter report and final quarter reports to the Community Development Division (CDD) and Common Council, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Nehemiah will be the organization primarily accountable for execution of the peer support contract. Clear performance metrics will be established and attached to the contract and the in the memorandum of understanding between the City and Nehemiah. By the first quarter following the close of the contract (December 31) Nehemiah and its partners will provide a report to the Common Council and relevant committees regarding outcomes produced as part of the contract; and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Common Council finds that the contract(s) authorized by this resolution for the described activities may be done through sole source arrangement pursuant to the public exigency exception and Council determination under MGO sec. 4.26(4)(a)1 and 9, and authorizes the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute such contract; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Community Development Division **will provide any interim reports as may be requested** to the Mayor and Common Council on the use of funds allocated, including services performed under the contract(s) and any relevant measurable outcomes.