



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve a Sobriety Court Grant Program Contract with Dawn Farm, Inc. to Provide In-patient and Out-patient Drug Abuse Counseling and Rehabilitation Services to 15th Judicial District Court Defendants (\$101,050.00)

This resolution seeks Council approval for a service grant contract with Dawn Farm, Inc. for in-patient and out-patient drug abuse counseling and rehabilitation services to 15th Judicial District Court defendants who are participants in the Court's Sobriety Court program, \$45,000 of which cost is funded by the Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office (SCAO).

Further, this resolution seeks Council's waiver of Sections 1:811-1:821 of Chapter 23 of Title I of the City Code (the "Living Wage Ordinance") for Dawn Farms, Inc., for this contract for the following reasons:

- Dawn Farm, Inc. is a not-for-profit entity employing approximately 65 persons.
- Six employees are compensated less than \$10.33 per hour with health care benefits.
- Six employees are compensated less than \$11.96 per hour without health care benefits.
- All employees compensated less than the amounts as required by Sections 1:811-1:821 of Chapter 23 of Title I of the Code are employed at Dawn Farm as nighttime minders for residential patients. Those employees receive lodging and board as supplementary in-kind compensation as part of their patient monitoring responsibilities. The value of the lodging and board combined with monetary compensation exceeds the requirements of Sections 1:811-1:821 of Chapter 23 of Title I of the Code for all relevant employees. All are also employed elsewhere during regular daytime working hours, and their Dawn Farm employment is a secondary income source.
- Six of these employees are provided with health care benefits by their primary daytime employers.
- Six of these employees are not provided with health care benefits by their primary daytime employers, but are provided with health care benefits by Dawn Farm.
- Consequently, the employment circumstances of these employees satisfies the intent of the Living Wage Ordinance.

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Approved by: Roger Fraser, City Administrator

Whereas, The Michigan Supreme Court State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) has awarded \$45,000.00 to the 15th Judicial District Court for in-patient and out-patient drug abuse counseling and rehabilitation services to 15th Judicial District Court defendants who are participants in the Court's Sobriety Court program for Grant Year 2009;

Whereas, The 15th Judicial District Court has determined that Dawn Farm, Inc. is an appropriate and skilled provider of such services; and

Whereas, It is in the best interests of the City of Ann Arbor and in the best interests of justice to enter into a service contract with Dawn Farm, Inc.;

RESOLVED, That a service contract with Dawn Farm, Inc. for in-patient and out-patient drug abuse counseling and rehabilitation services to 15th Judicial District Court defendants be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the contract on behalf of the Court and the City following approval as to form by the City Attorney and as to substance by the City Administrator;

RESOLVED, That the requirements of Sections 1:811-1:821 of Chapter 23 of Title I of the City Code are waived for the purpose of this contract only; and

RESOLVED, That Council authorize the City Administrator to take all necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.