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COUNTY OF HIDALGO    §

**SECOND AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN TROPICAL TEXAS  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO, TEXAS  
C-20-403-12-15**

This **SECOND (2<sup>nd</sup>) AMENDMENT** to the **Interlocal Agreement** for “**Screening and Psychiatric Evaluation for Inmates**” for **Hidalgo County** in connection to original contract **C-20-403-12-15**, dated January 1, 2021, by and between **HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS** (“County”) and **Tropical Texas Behavioral Health** (“TTBH” or “Center”) is entered into between the parties effective this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

**WHEREAS**, TTBH is a political subdivision of the State of Texas whose primary purpose is to assist individuals with mental health needs;

**WHEREAS**, The County of Hidalgo is a political subdivision of the State of Texas with police protection and detention powers as well as public welfare powers;

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, as amended authorizes contracts between local governmental agencies to perform governmental functions, inclusive of section 791.025, Texas Government code which permits agreements between local governments for the purchase of goods and services and satisfies the requirement of local governments to seek competitive bids for the purchase of goods and services;

**WHEREAS**, on December 15, 2020, the County and TTBH entered into an Interlocal Agreement for TTNH to perform screening assessments and psychiatric evaluations for any Hidalgo County jail inmate 17 or older who is referred by Hidalgo County Jail medical staff and related services as indicated in the Agreement. The current Agreement became effective January 1, 2021 and expires December 31, 2023 and provides the County the option to extend for an additional three (3) one (1) year terms(s), under the same terms and conditions;

**WHEREAS**, the **Agreement** provided TTBH’s hourly rates for these services and an allotted amount of \$81,200; however, the amount billed by TTBH for the 2021 contract year exceeded this amount

**WHEREAS**, the **Agreement** was amended on February 22, 2022 (First Amendment), to increase and replace the allotted contract amount to \$109,217.80;

**WHEREAS**, the expected amount to be billed by TTBH for the 2025 contract year is expected to exceed the amount of \$109,217.80;

**WHEREAS**, both parties desire to amend the Agreement as herein provided, to modify the allotted not to exceed, in order to compensate for an potential increase in hours worked by TTBH.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the terms and provisions set forth herein, for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, County and Company hereby agree to the following amendment to the Agreement:

1. Section "I", paragraph three shall be amended as follows:

"The Center agrees to provide psychiatric services on-site at the County's Edinburg jail facility in-person or via telehealth. The total amount of time the physicians shall provide on-site services shall be no less than twenty-four (24) hours per week. Additional service hours may be provided at the discretion of TTBH and according a schedule mutually agreed to by both parties."

2. Section "III" is here by amended, modified, and replaced as follows:

The maximum dollar amount of any term of any renewal of this contract shall not exceed the sum of \$239,017.00 per Contract year. The parties may modify this contract upon mutual written consent of both parties."

Except as modified herein, all terms and conditions of the Contract, as amended, remain in full force and effect and Company and County ratify and confirm the terms, and provisions of the Contract as amended.

*SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW*

**EXECUTED** as of the day and year first written above.

**APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON January 6, 2026.**

**Agenda Item No. 101962**

**Executive Office:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VENDOR:**  
Tropical Texas Behavioral Health

**COUNTY:**  
COUNTY OF HIDALGO

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W. Terry Crocker, Chief Executive Officer

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Hon. Richard F. Cortez, County Judge

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**  
Office of the Criminal District Attorney,  
Toribio "Terry" Palacios

**ATTEST:**

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Victor M. Garza, Chief Administrative Attorney

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Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

**ATTACHMENTS:**  
Agenda Item Meeting Note

**SUPPLEMENTAL SIGNATURES:**  
(If Applicable)