Thursday, June 21, 2007

## Health and Human Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 11

**Subject:** Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$7,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services; and amending the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20060911-001 to appropriate \$7,000 for a total grant amount of \$801,000 for the 78744 Youth of Promise Initiative Community Youth Development Program.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, Youth of Promise Initiative (YPI) Community Youth Development Program (CYD). The grant period is March 1, 2006 through August 31, 2007. No City match is required.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Vince Cobalis, Asst. Director for Human Services, 972-5011; Stephanie Y. Hayden, HHSD Manager, 972-5017; Linda Terry, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

Prior Council Action: March 23, 2006, approved grant funds acceptance and appropriation.

The 78744 Youth of Promise Initiative (YPI) Community Youth Development Program, (CYD) formerly known as Southeast Austin Community Youth Development (SEACYD), has been funded since 1996 by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS). The goal of the Initiative is to prevent juvenile crime through the provision of prevention and remediation programs in the Southeast Austin 78744 zip code area.

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) is a required service for the CYD program. The group consists of youth ages 14-17. The additional money will be used to send the YAC members to a four day Teen Safari Camp, which is a leadership experiential camp. The YAC members will be exposed to Team Buildinging and Ropes challenges, which have been shown to add to the character development of its participants.

## **Related Goals**

Prevention/Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations.

## Performance Measures

The performance measures will not change as a result of the additional funding.