

AGENDA



Thursday, April 5, 2007

**Health and Human Services
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 4**

Subject: Authorize execution of 8-month contracts under the HIV Prevention Projects grant for the delivery of HIV-related services with AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$64,301; WRIGHT HOUSE WELLNESS CENTER, Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$64,301; and, AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER CARE PROGRAM, Austin, TX in an amount not to exceed \$91,993.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$220,595 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget of the Health and Human Services Department Special Revenue Fund, HIV Prevention Projects grant. The contract period is January 1, 2007 through August 31, 2007, concurrent with the grant period. There are no renewal options.

Fiscal Note: There is no anticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: Approval of Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget on September 11, 2006.

BACKGROUND:

The Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) allocates federal pass-through funds for the prevention of HIV and AIDS cases throughout Travis County. The HIV Prevention Projects grant was originally a 4-year grant that began in FY 2002-2003. TDSHS requested an 8-month extension in the grant period from January 1-August 31, 2007, to avoid interruption in services while the agency completes an RFP and awards new grant contracts. As the local health agency for the area, the City of Austin Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) is receiving \$386,642 for this program during this extended period. Because the TDSHS contract with the City of Austin has been extended, it is recommended that each subcontractor's contract be extended for the same duration of eight months. Each subcontractor will receive 66.66 percent (8 of 12 months) of the amount it received during the last 12-month contract period and is expected to achieve 66.66 percent (8 of 12 months) of the performance objectives for the previous 12-month contract period. TDSHS has issued a competitive bid for funds that will be available effective September 1, 2007, when the extension expires.