

## AGENDA



Thursday, October 11, 2007

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

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**Subject:** Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$13,498 in additional grant funds from the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES (DSHS), NUTRITION SERVICES SECTION, Austin, TX; and amending the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Health and Human Services Department Operating Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20070910-003 to appropriate \$13,498 for a total grant amount of \$289,498 for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$13,498 is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services, Nutrition Services Section, Austin, TX. The grant period is October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. No City match is required.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Shannon Jones III, Assistant Director, Public Health and Community Services, 972-5416; Donna Sundstrom, Manager, WIC Program, 972-6844; Linda Terry, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

**Prior Council Action:** Approved in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget on September 10, 2007.

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The Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a preventive program that targets women and children below 185% of federal poverty level. The WIC Program provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and food vouchers for pregnant women, infants, and children up to age five.

The purpose of this grant is to provide a lactation center for WIC mothers with breastfeeding problems, a training center for WIC local agency staff and other health providers to receive clinical experience. The center will also serve as a statewide breastfeeding resource center for health providers. This lactation center is referred to as "Mom's Place."

The current approved grant appropriation in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget is \$276,000. The requested increased appropriation of \$13,498 represents the difference between the approved grant appropriation of \$276,000 in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget and the grant award of \$289,498.

The additional funds will be used to cover increases in personnel and operating costs. No increases in performance measures are anticipated.