

AGENDA



Thursday, December 18, 2008

**Health and Human Services
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 23

Subject: Authorize execution of Amendment Number 8 to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City and the Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center to renew the agreement for a one-year term beginning on January 1, 2009, and increase funding by \$56,851, for a total annual amount not to exceed \$1,681,161.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$1,260,870 is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget for the Health and Human Services Department. The contract period will be January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Funding for the balance of the agreement is contingent on available funding in future budgets.

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

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Prior Council Action: Council approved the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget, September 8, 2008.

BACKGROUND

Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation (ATCMHMR) is the State-designated Mental Health and Mental Retardation Authority for Travis County and the incorporated municipalities within Travis County. On April 20, 2006, the Council approved an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with ATCMHMR for provision of mental health and mental retardation services with three (3) extension options for a total of four years. The City's funding enables ATCMHMR to leverage state, federal, and other sources of funds for the provision of mental health, mental retardation, and substance abuse services to indigent residents of Austin/Travis County. The calendar year 2009 agreement is the third extension option for this contract. The \$56,851 increase represents the 3.5 percent social services contract increase approved by City Council during the Fiscal Year 2009 budget process.

Services provided under this interlocal agreement and performance measures are detailed on Attachment A.