

## AGENDA



Thursday, April 23, 2009

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

Item No. 27

**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement between the City and CENTRAL TEXAS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS, INC. to provide medical services to patients of David Powell Community Health Center under the City's Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant, in an amount not to exceed \$628,820 for a five-month term beginning March 1, 2009, with one seven-month renewal option in an amount not to exceed \$859,364, and one 12-month renewal option in an amount not to exceed \$1,488,184, for a total contract amount of \$2,976,368.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$628,820 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department Special Revenue Fund, Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant program with the balance contingent upon receipt of a revised grant award. The agreement period is March 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009. The grant period is March 1, 2009 to February 28, 2010. Related to Items #23, 28 & 30.

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

**For More Information:** Vince Cobalis, Assistant Director for Human Services, 972-5011, Mark Peppler, HIV Resources Administration Manager, 972-5081, Linda Terry, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

**Prior Council Action:** Council approved the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget, September 10, 2008.

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**BACKGROUND**

The City of Austin Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) received notice of grant award (NGA) on March 7, 2009, in the amount of \$1,434,310 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for the Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant program for the grant budget period of March 1, 2009 through February 28, 2010. The funds issued in this NGA provide approximately 40% of the expected Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 funding under the Part A program. The Part A program was operating under a Continuing Resolution at the time of the grant award. The Congress has since passed the FY 2009 federal budget, including final appropriations for the program. A revised NGA will be issued in the next several months for the final grant award amount. That revised NGA is expected to provide additional grant support for the budget period that is consistent with the Congressional intent for the Part A program for the grant period.

As a result of the transfer of management of the David Powell Community Health Center (DPCHC) from the City's Community Care Services Department to the Travis County Healthcare District (District) and its affiliated nonprofit corporation, Central Texas Community Health Centers, Inc. (CTCHC), a contract with CTCHC is requested to address the provision of Ryan White Part A services through DPCHC.

The purpose of the Ryan White Emergency Relief Project is to provide support to clients who have been affected by HIV/AIDS and who reside in the five-county Transitional Grant Area (TGA) that includes Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson counties. The program's goal is to assure access to primary medical care and medications as well as help ensure the provision of critical support services necessary to maintain individuals in the system of HIV care. In order to help ensure uninterrupted services and address the partial grant award referenced above, this new agreement will be for the period

March 1 through July 31, 2009, with one seven-month renewal option, and one twelve-month renewal option, both contingent upon future grant funding.

Attachment A provides the funding agreement summary with David Powell Community Health Center for the FY 2009 Part A budget period and the Performance Measures for the period of March 1 through July 31, 2009.