

AGENDA



Thursday, December 17, 2009

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

Item No. 47

Subject: Approve negotiation and execution of a social services Interlocal Agreement with the AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT to fund services for the community education, Victory Tutorial, after-school enrichment and adult basic education/English as a second language programs for a nine-month term beginning January 1, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$1,071,634, with an option to renew for one 12-month term beginning October 1, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$1,428,845, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,500,479.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department. Funding for the agreement renewal option 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: Approved Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget, September 14, 2009.

The City has a long history of contracting with Austin Independent School District (AISD) to provide a wide range of youth development and educational services to the community. Council approved an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and AISD for the calendar year (CY) 2009. The staff continues to use a three-step process in the review of agencies and their agreements, including ongoing analysis of performance measures, administrative and financial reviews, and utilization of other assessment documents and site visits to improve the effectiveness of contracted services. Agencies are encouraged to incorporate best practices where possible.

In 2010, the agreement will be transitioned from a CY contract to a City fiscal year contract. The initial term will be for nine months to begin on January 1, 2010. The interlocal will have an option to renew for a 12-month term beginning on October 1, 2010.

RATIONALE

By moving to a fiscal year agreement, the agreement will be aligned to the City Business Plan and Performance Measure Reporting systems. Calendar Year contract performance information is difficult to align with the City's fiscal year Business Plan.

Financial reporting and contract management processes are streamlined. The Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) staff will plan for short- and long-term social service strategies.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on available funds, staff recommends that the City continue to purchase these services from AISD in 2010. The Interlocal Agreement continues four long-standing City-funded school programs: Community Education, Victory Tutorial, After-School Enrichment program, and the Adult Basic Education/English as a Second Language (ABE/ESL) program.

Attachment A provides program descriptions and related performance measures for AISD.