

AGENDA



Thursday, September 23, 2010

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

Item No. 31

Subject: Approve negotiation and execution of two seven-month contract extensions under Ryan White Part A Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) Grant Program. The first extension is with AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, INC., for non-medical case management services, in an amount not to exceed \$51,686, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$317,498; and the second extension is with THE WRIGHT HOUSE WELLNESS CENTER, INC., for non-medical case management and outreach services, in an amount not to exceed \$61,893, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$405,647. Both extensions have effective dates of August 1, 2010.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$113,579 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) Special Revenue Fund, Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project Grant. The grant period is March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011. This contract period is from August 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011.

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

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Boards and Commission Action: The Austin Area Comprehensive HIV Planning Council approved grant fiscal year 2010 service category allocations.

Prior Council Action: November 8, 2007, Council approved contracts including two 12-month extension period options.

The City of Austin Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) received a notice of a grant award issued on April 1, 2010, in the amount of \$4,348,975 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009, Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project Grant. Of the above amount, \$230,262 is specifically for the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) program. The grant period is March 1, 2010, through February 28, 2011. Beginning in 1999, MAI formula-based funding was awarded as a component of the Ryan White Part A grant award. Beginning August 1, 2007, following the 2006 reauthorization of Ryan White legislation, the MAI formula-based grant award was issued under a separate grant with a unique grant number and grant period (August 1 –July 31). Due to changes in the 2009 reauthorized Ryan White legislation, beginning on March 1, 2010, the MAI award was once again incorporated as a component of the Part A grant. To accommodate this change, the current MAI contracts are being extended by seven months so the contract term corresponds with the Part A grant period, which ends on February 28, 2011. In addition to the above contracts, the HHSD Communicable Disease Unit was also awarded \$12,934 for the provision of MAI non-medical case management services. Attachment A includes a funding summary by agency and HIV service category, and performance measures information. All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.