

Thursday, September 23, 2010

Health and Human Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 32

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a Renewal to and Amendment of the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Travis County under which City provides certain public health services to Travis County, in exchange for payment of \$3,063,988, for a 12-month period beginning October 1, 2010.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding from Travis County in the amount of \$3,063,988 was included in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget of the Health and Human Services Department General Fund. The 2010 Renewal Term of the agreement is for the period October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011.

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

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Boards and Commission Action: To be reviewed by the Public Health and Human Services Subcommittee, September 21, 2010.

Prior Council Action: Approval of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget, September 13, 2010

The City Health and Human Services Department has provided public health services to Travis County through various agreements since 1985. After several years of work by City and County staff to consolidate the patchwork of agreements and amendments, the Travis County Commissioners Court and Austin City Council approved the current interlocal agreement on September 27, 2007, and October 18, 2007, respectively. The original term was for the period October 1, 2007, through September 30, 2008, and provided for up to four 12-month renewal terms. On October 2, 2008, the City Council approved a three-month extension of the interlocal agreement, terminating on December 31, 2008, and approved a nine-month renewal and extension on December 18, 2009, for the period of January 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009. On September 24, 2009, the City Council approved a 12-month renewal for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. This Renewal to and Amendment of the agreement is for the 2011 Renewal Term of October 1, 2010, through September 30, 2011.

Based upon the cost model approved for the Fiscal Year 2010 term, Travis County will pay \$175,451 more in Fiscal Year 2011 than the Fiscal Year 2010 amount. This increase results from an increase in the population percentage attributable to the County, decreases in Vital Records revenue, a \$50,000 increase in spay/neuter funding, and increased costs associated with insurance and pay for performance. Approval of this renewal and amendment will allow the City to continue to provide public health services to Travis County through September 30, 2011, in exchange for total payment by County of \$3,063,988.