

AGENDA



Thursday, December 9, 2010

**Health and Human Services
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 20**

Subject: Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$13,761 in grant funds from the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES WIC PROGRAM, and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20100913-002 to appropriate \$13,761 to fund the increase in health benefits costs.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services, WIC Program. The grant period is October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011. No City match is required.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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The Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a preventive program that targets women and children below 185% of the federal poverty level. The WIC Program provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and nutritious foods to pregnant women, infants, and children up to age five. The additional budget amount will fund the increased cost for health benefits.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.

PERFORMANCE:

HHSD Related Department Goal: Reduce the racial and ethnic total infant mortality rates by 10% by 2012.

The additional funding will assist the program in meeting current performance measure targets.