Thursday, March 24, 2011

Health and Human Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 14

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Community College (ACC) under which ACC will provide free General Equivalency Diploma classes at the Rosewood Zaragosa Neighborhood Center for a five and a half month term from January 18, 2011 through June 30, 2011, with five one-year renewal options.

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

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The Austin Community College (ACC), through the Texas Education Agency, has received an Adult Education and Family Literacy grant award allowing them to provide comprehensive adult education programs at community sites. ACC wishes to offer General Equivalency Diploma (GED) classes to the public at a City-owned neighborhood center and the City wishes to provide the space for such classes at the Rosewood Zaragosa Neighborhood Center. A copy of a draft of the agreement is attached. ACC began holding classes at the Neighborhood Center on January 18, 2011. This agreement will define areas of responsibility in regards to facility use and the provision of services and allow for GED classes to continue at no charge to the City or to class participants.