

## AGENDA



Thursday, March 24, 2011

**Health and Human Services  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 16**

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**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (AISD), under which AISD's Construction Management Department will install bike racks in certain schools, for a four-month term beginning on May 1, 2011, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000. The City's Health and Human Services Department will fund the contract with Obesity Prevention Initiative grant funds.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund for the Health and Human Services Department's Obesity Prevention Initiative grant.

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

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**Prior Council Action:** April 29, 2010 – Council approved ordinance #20100429-029 accepting \$300,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of State Health Services, Family and Community Health Services Division.

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Approval of this Recommendation for Council Action will authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Austin Independent School District (AISD) and the City's Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) to increase, implement and evaluate the installation of new and/or additional bicycle racks at select AISD schools. The purpose of the agreement is to increase the number of students who ride their bikes to school. AISD will be required to install the racks in at least ten schools.

The Texas Department of State Health Services' (DSHS) Family and Community Health Services division funds the HHSD Chronic Disease Prevention Program to facilitate and coordinate the implementation of high-priority initiatives related to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control Community Evidence-Based Strategies for Obesity Prevention. With this funding, HHSD conducted a strategic planning process between June and November 2010 and developed a set of strategy recommendations to be implemented in Austin. Per the grant agreement with DSHS, these strategies related specifically to policy and environmental changes to support healthy eating and physical activity.

The Interlocal Agreement provides funding to AISD's Construction Management Department to implement and collaborate with AISD Physical Education staff to evaluate the installation of new and/or additional bike racks at select AISD schools. AISD will select the recipient schools based on current bike parking capacity and need. First priority will be given to schools that are funded by HHSD, Family Health and Injury Prevention, Safe Route to School Program projects, during the 2010-2011 and/or 2011-2012 school years. New bike racks should be installed in safe, well-lit areas, visible to school administrators, staff and parents. It is HHSD's preference that they be installed in areas that are protected from sun and rain.

PERFORMANCE

Related Department Goal: Promote a healthy community by preventing chronic and communicable diseases and promoting improvements in social/economic/environmental factors that will result in an improved overall health status and a reduction of health disparities. Deliverables:

By May 30th, 2011, Collaborate with AISD Physical Education staff to conduct an observational pre-measurement of selected schools' bike rack usage.

By August 15th, 2011, Complete installation of new bike racks on selected school campuses.

By August 31st, 2011, Collaborate with AISD Physical Education staff to conduct an observational post-measurement of selected schools' bike rack usage.