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RCA	Austin City Council	Item ID	5718
Meeting Date:	5/12/2011	Department:	Health and Human Services

Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$10,000 in grant funds from the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES; and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20100913-002) to appropriate \$10,000 for the Texas Mother Friendly Worksite Policy Initiative.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$10,000 is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services, WIC Program. The grant period is May 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. No City match is required.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing
Language:**

**Prior Council
Action:**

**For More
Information:** David Lopez, Acting Assistant Director, 972-5687; Donna Sundstrom, Manager, 972-6844; Charles Kemp, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023

**Boards and
Commission
Action:**

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

The Texas Department of State Health Services was awarded competitive Component II ARRA Communities Putting Prevention to Work State Supplemental funds to implement the Texas Mother Friendly Worksite Policy Initiative. The purpose of this initiative is to facilitate the development and implementation of best practice worksite policies that support breastfeeding. Worksite lactation support is recommended to increase rates of breastfeeding and improve public health. Studies of worksite lactation programs have shown a cost savings of \$3 per dollar invested in breastfeeding support, lower health care costs, reduced use of sick leave, reduced turnover and increased morale and productivity. Local health departments are targets for participation in this initiative because of the ability to serve as models/leaders in their communities for creating supportive worksite lactation policies and environments. The City's Health and Human Services Department has been invited to participate in this initiative. It is a non-competitive process, a one time grant, with an award amount of \$10,000.

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. Increase the percentage of individuals reporting general health as good, very good, or excellent to 93% by 2012 in response to Centers for Disease Control survey for non-institutionalized population aged 16-64.