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## Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | Item ID | 7492 | Agenda Number | 19. |
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| Meeting Date: | 7/28/2011 | Department: | Health and Human Services |
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## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES to purchase human immunodeficiency virus medications for eligible clients under the City's Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant, for a seven-month term from August 1, 2011 through February 28, 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) Special Revenue Fund, Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant program. The agreement period is August 1, 2011 to February 28, 2012. The grant period is March 1, 2011 to February 28, 2012.

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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| Purchasing Language:          |  |
| Prior Council Action:         | Council approved the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget, September 13, 2010.   |
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| Boards and Commission Action: |  |
| MBE / WBE:                    |  |
| Related Items:                |  |

## Additional Backup Information

The City of Austin Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) has received Ryan White Part A Emergency Relief Project Grant funding for 16 years. Fiscal year 2011 Part A grant funding is included in the HHSD approved operating budget but only a partial award of \$1,594,329 has been received thus far due to the delay in the Congress' final approval of the fiscal year 2011 federal budget. The remaining portion of the award is expected in late June, at approximately the same level as the prior year amount of \$4,348,975.

The grantor is the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), an Agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). HRSA has authorized specific HIV service categories for allocation of Part A funds. One of these HRSA-defined categories is the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), a State-administered program authorized under Part B of the Ryan White Grant Program that provides Federal Drug Administration (FDA)-approved medications to low-income individuals with HIV disease who have limited or no coverage from private insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare. The Ryan White HIV Planning Council has allocated funds to this service category.

The proposed City of Austin contract with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) will help serve the growing number of clients living with HIV who reside in the Austin Transitional Grant Area (TGA), which is comprised of Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson counties. DSHS will provide eligible clients residing in the TGA with approved formulary medications supplied by the Texas ADAP.

The cost of providing HIV medications increases each year and the additional medications purchased through this agreement will help offset the rising cost of HIV medications. Other Texas Part A jurisdictions that receive Ryan White Part A grant funds are the Dallas Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) and the San Antonio TGA, and both have an ADAP contract with DSHS.

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.

HHSD Related Departmental Goal: Promotion/Prevention/Protection: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations.

**OUTPUT MEASURE:**

Under this agreement, HHSD estimates that the Texas Department of State Health Services' AIDS Drug Assistance Program will provide approximately 460 prescriptions for HIV medications at an average cost of \$434 per prescription for eligible clients residing in the Austin TGA.