

#### **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 10157 Agenda Number 9.

Meeting Date: 10/6/2011 Department: Health and Human Services

## **Subject**

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES to provide an oversampling in Travis County for the Texas Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) to increase the phone survey from 400 to 1,000 Travis County residents for the 2012 survey initiative in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for the term of October 1, 2011 through March 18, 2012.

### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund through the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), American Recovery and Reinvestment ACT (ARRA), Tobacco Prevention and Control Grant. No City of Austin funds are anticipated to be spent on this contract.

## Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Council approved an ordinance accepting \$7,473,150 in grant funds, April 22, 2010.
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Related Items:	

# Additional Backup Information

The Texas Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is an annual random-digit-dial telephone survey of adults residing in Texas conducted by the Department of State Health Services (DSHS). The survey provides state-wide estimates on a variety of behavioral risk factors, including smoking prevalence and other indicators of tobacco use. The state-wide survey will include about 10,000 respondents in 2012. With a geographic oversample of Travis County, the number of county residents who are surveyed increases from about 400 (the proportion of Texas residents who live in Travis County) to about 1000. The substantially larger sample size will provide more stable local estimates of prevalence of these risky behaviors, particularly by demographic characteristics, such as gender, age, race/ethnicity, and socioeconomic characteristics. These estimates will be used to track local trends over time (from previous BRFSS Travis County oversamples) as well as to compare with state and national estimates.

It was only recently announced that DSHS would not be able to provide an oversampling for data collection in Travis County. Because the larger sample size is so beneficial, and funds are available in the Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) Tobacco Control and Cessation grant from the Center for Disease Control and

Prevention (CDC), CPPW will provide the funding for the deliverables described below. The design will add specific tobacco-related questions.

This is funding from the ARRA, appropriated in Fiscal Year 2009-2010 and can only be used for specific purposes.

Statement Required by Corporate Budget: 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.

#### **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.

Because agreement negotiations are not complete, the performance goals described are estimates and may be adjusted in scope and deadline as appropriate.

#### Deliverables:

Submit invoices on a quarterly basis for completed work, submitting all required forms with documentation of work completed. A final payment request may not be submitted later than April 13, 2012.

Finalize sampling design which includes Travis County Oversample 10/14/2011

Review of subcontractor computer-assisted telephone interview programming demo for errant skip patterns

12/23/2011

Finalize development and addition of tobacco-related questions for the 2012 Texas BRFSS

10/20/2011-01/19/2012

Data collection progress—all listed deliverables completed

03/18/2011