

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 32031 Agenda Number 9.

Meeting Date: 5/15/2014 Department: Health and Human Services

<u>Subject</u>

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$7,941 from the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES, COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS SECTION and amending the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20130909-001), to appropriate \$7,941 for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Discretionary Fund Project.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$7,941 is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). The grant period is January 1, 2014, through June 30, 2014. A City match is required.

Fiscal Note	
A fiscal note is attached.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	On September 09, 2013, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20130909-001.
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Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) awarded the City of Austin Health and Human Services (HHSD) \$7,941 for the grant period January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014. The award is for a discretionary fund project in support of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Public Health and Emergency Preparedness Budget to enhance local and regional preparedness, planning and response efforts. While improving overarching all-hazards planning efforts, this project provides funds for an emergency notification system associated with public health emergency response activities. Funds in the current budget will cover the required 10% match. The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.

Performance Measures:

Outputs/Outcomes:

- Improve regional public health and medical emergency preparedness planning, response and communication in Austin/Travis County by providing access to an emergency notification system.
- Increase the percentage of emergency preparedness plans reviewed.

Activity:

• Increase the preparedness and response capacity by providing public health emergency response training