Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council  |  Item ID: 52184  |  Agenda Number: 10.

Meeting Date: 12/10/2015  |  Department: Health and Human Services

Subject
Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES to provide telephone surveys for studying tobacco use as part of the Texas Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, in an amount not to exceed $100,000 for the term of November 1, 2015 through September 1, 2017.

Amount and Source of Funding
Funding in the amount of $100,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016, 1115 Medicaid Waiver Budget. Funding for the remaining eighteen months of the original contract period is contingent on successful contract performance and available funding in future 1115 Medicaid Waiver Budgets.

Fiscal Note
A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action: Approval of Resolution No. 20121011-080 directing the City Manager to include certain unfunded projects in the City's 1115 Medicaid Waiver application.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

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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 statewide estimates on a variety of behavioral risk factors, including smoking prevalence and other indicators of tobacco use. The statewide survey will include approximately 10,000 respondents in 2016, 420 of which reside in Travis County.

With a geographic oversample of Travis County, the total number of county residents surveyed increases from 420 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 status.

These estimates will be used to track local trends over time, comparing previous BRFSS Travis County oversamples, and comparing the county data to state and national estimates. The BRFSS results are also needed to fulfill a deliverable for an existing Deliver System Reform Incentive Payments project authorized by the Medicaid 1115 Waiver for decreasing tobacco use among the 18-24 year old population.

Funds are available in the Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department’s 1115 Waiver Budget.
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:

1. Submit invoices on a quarterly basis for completed work, submitting all required forms with documentation of work completed.
2. Finalize sampling design plan that includes Travis County Oversample by 12/31/2015.