

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 14, 2017 Item Number: 042

Public Health

Authorize negotiation and execution of a fifth amendment to the interlocal agreement with Travis County for the provision of public health services for a nine-month term beginning January 1, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$4,403,824.

Lead Department	Austin Public Health.
Fiscal Note	This item has no fiscal impact. Funding from Travis County in the amount of \$4,403,824 was included in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget of the Animal Services Office General Fund. The term of the agreement is for the period January 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018.
Prior Council Action	On September 28, 2017, Council authorized the negotiation and execution of the fourth amendment for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2017 in an amount not to exceed \$4,403,824. On September 13, 2017, Council approved Ordinance No. 20170913-001, in adopting the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget.
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Additional Backup Information:

On September 26, 2013, Council approved the current interlocal agreement for a one-year term beginning October 1, 2013, with up to four 12-month renewal options on October 1st of each subsequent renewal term. On September 28, 2017 Council approved the fourth amendment of the interlocal agreement for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2017, resulting in execution of the fourth amendment for a three-month term from October 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. This action will authorize the negotiation and execution of the fifth amendment of the interlocal agreement for the remaining nine-month term ending on September 30, 2018, which includes adjustments to program work statements and the eligibility of reimbursed expenses. Execution of the fifth amendment is contingent on approval by both the City and Travis County (County).

Austin Public Health has provided public health services to the County through various agreements since 1985. After several years of work by City and County staff to consolidate the patchwork of agreements and amendments, the County Commissioners Court and Council approved an interlocal agreement on September 27, 2007 and October 18, 2007, respectively. The original term was for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008, and provided a maximum of four 12-month renewal terms.

Pursuant to the interlocal agreement with the County, Austin Public Health will continue to provide public health services, such as HIV outreach & prevention, immunizations, disease surveillance, vital records, chronic disease prevention, communicable disease services, epidemiology & disease surveillance, health authority services, tuberculosis elimination, and environmental health services.