Thursday, July 29, 2010

Health and Human Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 33

Subject: Approve an ordinance accepting \$45,462 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration; and amending the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20090914-002 to appropriate \$45,462 for the Ryan White Part C HIV Early Intervention Services Grant Program.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$45,462 is available from the Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration. The grant period is from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. No City match is required. Related to Item #35.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached

For More Information: Vince Cobalis, Assistant Director for Human Services, 972-5011, Mark Peppler, HIV Resources Administration Manager, 972-5081, Laura Polio, Interim Agenda Coordinator, 972-5010.

Prior Council Action: September 14, 2009 - Council approved 2009-2010 Operating Budget.

On June 15, 2010, the City of Austin Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) received a Notice of Grant Award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Ryan White Part C Outpatient Early Intervention Services Program grant approving a carry over request from the previous grant year in the amount of \$46,079 for a total grant award of \$918,462 (\$872,383 + \$46,079).

The current approved grant appropriation in the 2009-2010 budget is \$873,000. The requested increase of \$45,462 represents the difference between the approved grant appropriation of \$873,000 in the fiscal year 2009-2010 budget and the total grant amount awarded in 2009-2010 of \$918,462 (\$873,000 + \$45,462).

The additional grant funds are a result of a carry-over request submitted to grantor on April 15, 2010 with a proposal to expend the funds in the 2010 grant year.

The Austin Part C Program Area proposed to use all grant year 2008-2009 carry-over funds for direct HIV services in the core medical and support service categories of oral health, client transportation and non-medical case management. Our Part C provider of Oral Health services, AIDS Services of Austin (ASA), will utilize \$41,979 of the carry-over amount to replace aging dental clinic equipment and provide additional oral hygiene visits. Community Action, Inc. will be awarded \$1,500 of the carry-over amount to provide additional client transportation services. The HHSD Communicable Disease Unit will utilize \$2,600 of the carry-over amount on non-medical case management. The additional funding for Community Action, Inc. falls within the maximum contract amount previously approved by City Council. ASA's increase will require authorization from City Council and an RCA is also on the agenda.

The general fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.