Thursday, November 18, 2010

Health and Human Services RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 19

Subject: Approve an ordinance accepting \$116,060 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance 20100913-002 to appropriate \$116,060 for the Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project Grant program.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration. The grant period is from March 1, 2010 to February 28, 2011. No City match is required. Related to Item #18.

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, Charles Kemp, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

Prior Council Action: June 24, 2010 - Approved an ordinance accepting \$1,975 in grant funds from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration and amended the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund.

On June 21, 2010, the City's Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) submitted, on behalf of the Austin Transitional Grant Area, a request to the federal government to carry over \$116,060 of unobligated Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A formula funds from fiscal year 2009 into the fiscal year 2010 grant period.

On August 27, 2010, HHSD received a Notice of Grant Award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services approving the carry-over request, for a total fiscal year 2010 Ryan White Part A Emergency Relief Project Grant award amount of \$4,465,035. The current budget includes \$4,348,975 for the Ryan White Part A grant. This amendment will increase the Part A grant amount to \$4,465,035.

The Austin Area HIV Planning Council is responsible for prioritizing services and allocating Ryan White Part A funds through its annual planning process. At its June 8, 2010, regular business meeting, the HIV Planning Council recommended that \$116,060 of fiscal year 2009 unobligated carry-over funds be distributed, with \$87,045 allocated to Housing Services and \$29,015 allocated to Hospice services.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.

Any changes in performance measures related to this grant award will be reflected in a future Recommendation for Council Action request to negotiate and amend existing contracts.

Funding allocations for the 2010-2011 Ryan White Part A program are listed on attachment A.