

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: August 30, 2018

Item Number: **018**

Public Health

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$75,000 in grant funds from the University of Utah and amending the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance 201709013-001) to appropriate \$75,000 for the Pritzker Children's Initiative (PCI) Fellows Program; and authorizing negotiation and execution of an agreement with the University of Utah for the PCI Fellows Program for a 12-month term with one 12-month renewal option, each in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$150,000.

Lead Department	Austin Public Health.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$75,000 is available from the University of Utah. A City funding match of \$37,500 is required and is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget. A fiscal note is attached.
Prior Council Action	On April 26, 2018, Council approved ordinance 20180426-017 accepting \$25,000 in grant funds from the National League of Cities for the Cities Supporting a Strong Prenatal to Age 3 Agenda on April 26, 2018, Ordinance No. 20180426-017 was approved on Mayor Pro Tem Tovo's motion, Council Member Renteria's second on a 10-0 vote; Council Member Troxclair was absent.
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Additional Backup Information:

The City is one of six cities invited by the National League of Cities (NLC) participating in a one-year technical assistance initiative titled the Cities Supporting a Strong Prenatal to Age 3 Agenda (PN-3 Initiative), funded by the University of Utah. The PN-3 Initiative allows the City to build on the collective work done by our community over the past six years to advance the efforts of the Austin/Travis County School Readiness Action Plan (SRAP). The PN-3 Initiative is enhancing the work conducted in Austin through the SRAP to strengthen supports for families of young children, and improve early childhood education and services.

The Pritzker Children's Initiative Fellows Program is one of the grant opportunities in which PN-3 Initiative cities can participate. This program will bolster our focus on programmatic and policy strategies on behalf of the youngest members of our community, children ages 0-3 and women during the prenatal period. The primary task of the full-time Fellow hired for the program will be to lead a collaborative effort with key community partners to develop a coordinated enrollment system for early childhood education and care in our community that includes public Pre-K, Early Head Start, Head Start, and child care subsidies.

The grant covers a period from August 2018 through August 2020, for an amount not to exceed \$150,000. The City is required to match funds per the following guidelines:

- Year 1: Local match expected is a minimum of 50% (minimum of \$37,500 to draw down the full \$75,000), but with the plan that communities can demonstrate local investment that equals the PCI investment.
- Year 2: Local match at 100% (minimum local match of \$75,000 to draw down a PCI match of \$75,000).

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, Austin Public Health Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.

Performance Measures:

Related Department Goals

- Improve Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Outcomes from preconception through young adulthood
- Improve Quality of Life and Reduce the Years of Potential Life Lost Due to Preventable Conditions

The related contract is with the University of Utah for a 12-month term with one 12-month renewal option, each in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$150,000.