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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2681, Agenda Item #: 37.

8/22/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Austin Independent School District to provide training opportunities and internships in the field of public health to high school aged residents of the City.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

There is no fiscal impact.

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize the City to execute an interlocal agreement with Austin Independent School District (AISD) to have AISD continue to implement the Public Health Internship Program (Program) that will help AISD students become knowledgeable about Public Health careers. The Program will be effective for an initial term of one year and once signed, it will be implemented at Eastside, other AISD High Schools, and other interested schools. Both parties will review the agreement on an annual basis.

The Program will introduce high school students to the operation, opportunities, functions and challenges associated with local government. It will engage the students as partners on key projects for City Departments and plant the seeds of "Public Health Careers as a career option" as they become postsecondary school bound, as well as participants in their community.

AISD will facilitate and coordinate resources to the Program at the schools. This will include bus transportation, and one teacher from each school to prepare students for the Fall and Spring semesters and provide direct instruction for training not provided in Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills regarding public health; and inform all students and participating personnel their obligation to comply with the rules and regulations of City public health clinics, and all federal, state, and municipal laws and ordinances related to the safety and health of patients, students, and personnel.