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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council

Item ID

27233

Agenda Number

37.

Meeting Date:

9/26/2013

Department:

Health and Human Services

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Travis County under which the City will provide public health services in exchange for payment of \$3,122,526, for a 12-month period beginning October 1, 2013.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding from Travis County in the amount of \$2,938,413 was included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget of the Health and Human Services Department General Fund. The Term of the agreement is for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Purchasing
Language:**

**Prior Council
Action:**

Approval of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget, September 9-11, 2013.

**For More
Information:**

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**Boards and
Commission
Action:**

To be reviewed by the Public Health and Human Services Subcommittee, September 17, 2013.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

The City Health and Human Services Department has provided public health services to Travis 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 Travis County Commissioners Court and Austin City Council approved the current 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 for up to four 12-month renewal terms. On October 2, 2008, the City Council approved a three-month extension of the interlocal agreement, terminating on December 31, 2008, and approved a nine-month renewal and extension on December 18, 2009 for the period of January 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009. On September 24, 2009, the City Council approved a 12-month renewal for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. On September 23, 2010, the City Council approved a 12-month renewal for the period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011. On September 22, 2011, the City Council approved a 12-month renewal for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012.

In the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Animal Services separated from the Health & Human Services Department. This separation resulted in a need to separate the interlocal agreement with Travis County. Through this agreement the Health & Human Services Department will continue to provide public health services such as HIV outreach & prevention, immunizations, disease surveillance, vital records, chronic disease prevention, tuberculosis elimination and environmental health services. This agreement is for the 2014 Term of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

Based upon the cost model approved for the Fiscal Year 2013 term, Travis County will pay **\$238,313** more in Fiscal Year 2014 than the Fiscal Year 2013 amount. This increase includes the increased costs for health insurance, and wage adjustments. In addition, the cost model has been revised for environmental health services to calculate cost based on a combination of the Travis County population percentage and a cost allocation method based on the percent of activities in the County food establishments. The County population percentage has increased from 28.21% to 28.46%. Approval of this renewal and amendment will allow the City to continue to provide public health services to Travis County through September 31, 2014, in exchange for total payment by the County of **\$3,122,526**.