

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council		Item ID	40188	Agenda Number	16.
Meeting Date:	2/12/2015		Department:	Health and Human Services	
Subject					
Approve an ordinance accepting \$273,140 in additional grant funds from the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES, WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM; and amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20140908-001) to appropriate these funds for maintaining WIC services.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding in the amount of \$273,140 is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services. The grant period is October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.					
Fiscal Note					
A fiscal note is attached.					
Purchasing Language:					
Prior Council Action:	On September 9, 2014, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget, Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20140909-001. On December 11, 2014, Council approved an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget, Special Revenue Fund authorizing acceptance of \$167,996 additional funds.				
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Boards and Commission Action:					
MBE / WBE:					
Related Items:					

Additional Backup Information

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a preventive program that provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and nutritious foods to pregnant women, infants, and children up to age five. Women and children are eligible for the program if the household income is below 185% of the federal poverty level.

The purpose of this grant is to provide a lactation center for WIC-eligible mothers with breastfeeding problems, a training center for WIC local agency staff and other health providers to receive clinical experience working with breastfeeding mothers, and a statewide breastfeeding resource center for health providers to utilize for information and assistance when working with pregnant and breastfeeding women. The additional \$273,140 will be used for WIC operating expenses.

The initial approved grant amount was \$5,828,000. The City received an additional amount of \$167,996 and amended the grant upon receipt of these additional funds. Therefore, the current amended grant appropriation in the 2014-15 Budget is \$5,995,996. The requested increase of \$273,140 represents the difference between the current amended grant appropriation of \$5,995,996 in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Budget and the grant award of \$6,269,136.

The additional funds will be used to cover increases in personnel and operating costs, and are not expected to increase performance measures. This amendment will not affect performance measures. The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.

