

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 60311 Agenda Number 37.

Meeting Date: 8/18/2016 Department: Health and Human Services

Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$525,625 in additional grant funds from the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES, AUSTIN, TEXAS, and amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Health and Human Services Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20150908-001) to appropriate \$525,625 for a 12-month extension of the Tuberculosis State Prevention and Control Grant.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$525,625 is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services. The grant period is being amended from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 to September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	On September 10, 2015, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget, Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20150908-001.
For More Information:	Shannon Jones, Director, Health and Human Services Department, 972-5010; Dr. Philip Huang, Medical Director, 972-5486; Saeed Azadi, Unit Manager, Communicable Disease Unit, 972-5413; Estella Kirscht, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5039.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) allocates funds for the Tuberculosis (TB) State Prevention and Control Grant to assist the City's Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) for the provision of basic services for TB prevention, control, and outreach services to individuals who have TB or who are at high risk of developing TB in the Austin/Travis county service area. This will be achieved through prevention, protection, provision, and promotion. TB elimination is a core activity and is mandated in Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code. The Austin/Travis County TB Program has a full-service clinic to evaluate patients for TB infection and treat the disease, and has staff that provides contact investigation and outreach to individuals with TB cases and their contacts. Performance measures will not be affected by the increase.

HHSD was granted an additional \$525,625 for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. The new total grant award is \$975,625, extending the current contract from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 to September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017.

Performance Measures

Related Department Goal

Improve Quality of Life and Reduce the Years of Potential Life Lost Due to Preventable Conditions

• 25,000 clients will receive preventative, quality health services (such as screenings and health education) by 2016

Related Performance Measures include:

- Number of TB clinic patient visits
- Percentage of TB cases completing therapy in 12 months
- Percentage Latent TB Infection or LTBI clients completing therapy
- Number of TB screening tests at the Rebekah Baines Johnson or RBJ Health Center
- Percentage of TB contacts evaluated

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