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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Stephanie Hayden, Director Austin Public Health 
DATE: February 27, 2019
SUBJECT: CIUR 2098 - Resolution No. 20181018-041 Adult Day Center Facilities on City Owned Property

On October 18, 2018, City Council approved Resolution number 20181018-041, which directed the City Manager to:

- Review the analysis completed to date and assess the need for an adult day center with other integrated community components on City-owned facilities, such as RBJ Public Health Center as proposed by the LBJ school team.
- Determine the feasibility of developing City-owned facilities for such purposes, including the RBJ Public Health Center
- Recommend a process for developing an adult day center at the City-owned RBJ Public Health Center or other potential City-owned facilities.

Since passage of this Resolution, Austin Public Health staff has been working on a collaborative process with multiple stakeholders, including the University of Texas LBJ School of Public Affairs, Commission on Seniors, Age Friendly Action Plan Workgroup Domain 8; and City of Austin Building Services and Office of Real Estate since November 2018 to develop recommendations with specific focus on the City owned RBJ Health Center. While the process is underway, additional research and community/partner engagement is required to finalize recommendations. Thus far the team has identified a tiered approach that may result in the following proposed recommendations:

- 1) Fund a feasibility study for the use of city owned facilities including RBJ for adult day services. The feasibility study recommendation should include recommended dollar amount based on market rates and include a specific timeframe.
- 2) As part of the feasibility study implement a pilot with mobile services provided by COA APH and social service providers to test the viability of the space and services for the older adult population with special consideration for low income seniors.
- 3) Apply an age friendly lens when considering future facility development and renovation projects for programming that accommodates all generations.

A comprehensive report detailing the research approach and the complete recommendations is expected this May. Therefore, I am respectfully requesting an extension through May 31, 2019, to allow the completion of this report.

If you have any questions, or if I can provide additional information, please contact me at (512) 972-5010 or via email at Stephanie.Hayden@austintexas.gov.

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