



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2196, **Agenda Item #:** 40.

6/16/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20210811-001) to accept and appropriate \$4,406,195 in grant funds from the Texas Division of Emergency Management for COVID-19 Lab Diagnostics.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$4,406,195 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency via the Texas Division of Emergency Management. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

Adrienne Sturup, Director, 512-972-5010; Kymberley Maddox, Assistant Director, 512-972-5041; Estella Kirscht, Administrative Specialist, 512-972-4423.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

On March 6, 2020, a Declaration of Local Disaster was issued by Mayor Adler to have the City take measures to avoid the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) across the City and County. On March 13, 2020, Governor Abbott issued a Declaration of State of Disaster to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The COVID-19 response is ongoing.

This reimbursement represents costs incurred for a 7-month period of June 1, 2020 through January 19, 2021. These costs include the materials for the specimen collection kits and the lab processing for COVID-19 test results.

Council will be presented with additional appropriation requests in the future once FEMA has approved the projects and determined funding estimates accordingly:

Department	Project	FEMA Reimbursement	City Match	Total Project Value
Austin Public Health	COVID-19 Lab Diagnostics	\$4,406,195	0	\$4,406,195

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, Austin Public Health Department's need for continued funding will be

evaluated and may be denied.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.