



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1339, **Agenda Item #:** 20.

3/9/2023

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20220817-004) to accept and appropriate \$60,000 in grant funds from the Texas Division of Emergency Management for the Montopolis Equitable Response and Recovery Project.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$60,000 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency via the Texas Division of Emergency Management. A City match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

June 16, 2022 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20220616-040 on an 11-0 vote.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

On March 6, 2020, Mayor Adler issued a Declaration of Local Disaster to have the City take measures to avoid the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) across Austin and Travis County. On March 13, 2020, Governor Abbott issued a Declaration of State of Disaster directing 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 between July 1, 2020 and October 31, 2020, which include contracts for the dissemination of information in response to the immediate threat that COVID-19 posed for the underserved Montopolis neighborhood community.

Council will be presented with additional appropriation requests in the future once the Federal Emergency Management Agency (known as FEMA) has approved the projects and determined funding estimates accordingly.

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.