



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2625, **Agenda Item #:** 34.

8/31/2023

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance accepting Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance grant funds from the Texas Department of Emergency Management; and amending the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20220817-004) to appropriate funding in the amount of \$6,973,665 for several City departments.

Lead Department

Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$6,973,667 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) via the Texas Department of Emergency Management. A local funding match is not required. Fiscal Note attached.

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.

COVID-19 created an immediate threat to the health and safety of the general public requiring emergency response and protective measures. The City utilized Force Account Labor, Materials, Equipment, Rented Equipment and Contracts to help assist and aid with the threat of COVID-19. This grant is a FEMA Public Assistance grant award which reimburses City departments for expenses incurred for carrying out COVID-19 public health responses from January 20, 2020 to July 1, 2022.

FEMA Project Worksheet #922 Alternate Care Site is awarded \$4,652,931. Project Worksheet #974 COVID-19 Mobile Infusion Center project is awarded \$39,243. Project Worksheet #1044 Alternate Care Site 2 is awarded \$860,297. FEMA Project Worksheet #1081 Communications of Health and Safety is awarded \$1,421,194.

Department	FEMA Award
Austin Code	\$ 4,547
Austin Convention Center	\$ 6,121
Austin Public Health	\$ 815,589
Austin Public Library	\$ 22,017
Austin Resource Recovery	\$ 4,860
Austin Water	\$ 19,320

Aviation	\$ 160
Building Services	\$ 1,527
Communications and Public Information	\$ 46,241
Communications and Technology Management	\$ 6,995
Development Services	\$ 10,000
Emergency Medical Services	\$ 155,805
Financial Services	\$ 1,027,376
Fire	\$ 12,796
Management Services	\$ 4,432,721
Municipal Court	\$ 27
Parks and Recreation	\$ 39,545
Police	\$ 338,925
Transportation and Public Works	\$ 15,279
Watershed Protection	\$ 8,232
Wireless Communication Services	\$ 5,584
Total	\$ 6,973,667

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