



## Recommendation for Action

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**File #: 24-3757, Agenda Item #: 31.**

**2/1/2024**

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### **Posting Language**

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20230818-008) to accept and appropriate \$1,015,700 in grant funds from the Texas Department of State Health Services for the COVID-19 Public Health Workforce Expansion Grant.

### **Lead Department**

Austin Public Health.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$1,015,700 is available from the Texas Department of State Health Services. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.

### **Prior Council Action:**

August 26, 2021 - Council approved an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to accept and appropriate \$1,250,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of State Health Services and authorize 5.0 full-time equivalent grant-funded positions, for the COVID-19 Public Health Workforce Expansion Grant, with on a 9-0 vote. Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison and Council Member Kelly were off the dais.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

The additional funds from the Public Health Workforce Grant will continue to ensure a diverse public health workforce is hired, trained, and retained. Funding is provided by the grant for Fiscal Years 2021 to 2024. This grant is in alignment with the Public Health Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response (Funding Opportunity Number CDC-RFA-TP18-1802) from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (also known as the CDC).

The Texas Department of State Health Services will monitor the City's performance and compliance by its grant requirements and will develop performance measures in collaboration with the City.

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.