

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting of February 14, 2023 Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of February 21, 2023

DATE: February 14, 2023

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Acceptance of the IDCU-COVID Grant Amendment in the amount of \$937,072.64 and appropriation of the funds for the contract period September 1, 2022, through July 31, 2024

CAPTION:

Ordinance appropriating \$937,072.64 from an increase in the Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Unit-COVID (IDCU-COVID) Grant Program administered by the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) for the period September 1, 2022, through July 31, 2024, for activities to provide COVID-19 epidemiologic and surveillance response activities and laboratory response network activities.

SUMMARY:

This is an amendment to the IDCU-COVID grant which began on September 1, 2022 and expires July 31, 2024. Grant funding to provide for personnel costs, supplies, and other expenses to offer services and associated activities to assist communities impacted by COVID-19 In Nueces County.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Texas Department of State Health Services ("DSHS") has awarded a grant contract in the amount of \$937,072.64 to increase epidemiology surveillance and laboratory activities by providing for personnel costs, supplies, and other expenses to ensure proper COVID-19 response is sustained and build sustainable relationships within those communities within the jurisdiction of the CCNCPHD. Currently this grant supports 16 Public Technicians, 2 Epidemiology Specialists and 1 Grant Manager for a total of 19 positions.

ALTERNATIVES:

Refuse the amendment and discontinue offering services to assist communities disproportionately affected by COVID-19.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact. The grant requires no match. All positions are 100% grant funded.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 1066 Health Grants paid by Department of State Health Services

Organization/Activity: 831861F

Mission Element: 103 COVID19 Response

Project # (CIP Only):

Account:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Contract No. HHS000812700042 Ordinance Presentation