



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting August 8, 2023
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting August 15, 2023

DATE: August 8, 2023
TO: Peter Zaroni, City Manager
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Acceptance of the Women, Infant and Children's Nutrition Program (WIC) grant for the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District in the amount of \$1,172,131.00 to provide funding for the WIC program for the period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing acceptance and future amendments of Women, Infant and Children's Nutrition Program (WIC) grant for \$1,172,131.00 from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS); appropriating \$1,172,131.00 to provide funding for the WIC program for the period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024; and authorizing thirteen grant positions.

SUMMARY:

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission has awarded the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District WIC program \$1,172,131 to provide WIC services to residents of Nueces County. This award is part of a five-year grant contract with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, which began in FY 2020 and will end in FY 2025.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The primary purpose of the grant is to serve as a nutrition program for pregnant women, breastfeeding women, and families with children younger than five. Texas WIC helps improve the diets of infants and children as well as pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women by providing monthly healthy food packages, nutrition counseling, education, and breastfeeding support.

History of the grant:

- The CCNCPHD has been awarded this grant for more than 20 years

Funding Source:

- Texas Health and Human Services Commission
- Budget: 1,172,131

Counties impacted by grant:

- Nueces County
 - WIC benefits may be issued to any Texas resident who is a current WIC participant.

Grant Achievements in 2022:

- Achieved 10% growth in client participation year over year
- Received the Star Customer Service Award from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, an award which is only granted to the top 15% of WIC programs in Texas.

ALTERNATIVES:

Refuse the grant and discontinue offering WIC services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact. The grant requires no match. All positions are 100% grant funded. The award includes an indirect cost allocation of 22.39% of direct salaries and wages to the City of Corpus Christi.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 1066 Health Grants paid by Texas Health and Human Services Commission
Organization/Activity: 831324F
Department Number: 15
Project # (CIP Only): N/A
Account: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Contract No. HHS000802100001
Ordinance
Certification of Funds