



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting May 6, 2025
Action Item for the City Council Meeting May 13, 2025

DATE: May 6, 2025

TO: Peter Zaroni, City Manager

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CAPTION:

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SUMMARY:

This ordinance will authorize the acceptance of funds upon award, from twelve grant renewal applications, in an estimated amount of \$2,772,910.00 from the Texas Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for public health functions of the Corpus Christi - Nueces County Public Health District (CC-NCPHD) for a period beginning June 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026. The Health District's participation in these twelve grant programs serve a important public purpose in that this funding will promote and provide needed public health functions throughout the community.

The CC-NCPHD receives approximately 17.5% of its total budget support through these twelve grant awards in both federal direct, state direct and federal pass-through funding. The CC-NCPHD will request \$2,772,910.00 in funding through this ordinance. The City has for many years applied for and received grants from the Texas Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Nutrition Program, Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreements, Laboratory Response Network Influenza Surveillance, Medical Reserves Corps Unit, Tuberculosis Prevention Services, Regional Local Services System/Local Public Health Services, Immunization/Locals, and Sexually Transmitted Infections and Human Immunodeficiency Virus.

This action also authorizes the finalization of programmatic budgets, incidental expenditures for grant program participants, and a personnel complement of 32 grant funded, full-time positions for the maintenance and delivery of essential public health services within the Health District as reflected in Attachment I.

The City Manager, or designee, may reject or terminate this grant. Furthermore, the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to execute contract amendments pertaining to these grant funds in the following instances: a) for the carry-over of funds, when ascertained and approved by the funding agency through a revised notice of award; b) a no-cost extension; c) when an amendment will provide supplemental grant funds in an amount not to exceed 20% of the original grant amount; d) for reimbursement increases of administration funds for each participant served; e) to comply with applicable State or federal laws and regulations; and f) for matters which do not change the essential purpose of the grant.

Furthermore, this ordinance authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute Memoranda of Agreement, to include Data Use Agreements and Business Associate Agreements, that enhance program services with no exchange of funds associated with these grant-funded projects.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

As a public health authority, the Corpus Christi - Nueces County Public Health District (CC-NCPHD) actively addresses the public health functions of policy development, health assessment, and health assurance. To carry out these responsibilities, the Health District operates evidence-based programs in various settings throughout Nueces County. The Health Department provides services to residents at public health settings and service locations located throughout the City and Nueces County. With support from the State of Texas, the Health District provides preventive health services, community education, limited clinical services to prevent communicable diseases, emergency preparedness, disease control, and supplemental nutrition programs.

This action will authorize a total of 32 grant positions. Temporary support is included in the current budget and will be redirected to personnel if approved by the grantor. A list of the grant applications, grant program descriptions, grant award, match, contract time frame, positions, and program income amounts, is attached as Attachment I.

Frequently, the CC-NCPHD requests City Council authorize agreements with agencies for the provision of services relating to grant programs and projects. Many times, these agreements do not include the exchange of funds between the City and these agencies; however, the execution of these agreements does require City Council action. The Department requests authorization for the City Manager or his designee, to include Data Use Agreements and Business Associate Agreements, with no exchange of funds that enhance programs or services associated with these grant-funded programs.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Council may choose not to approve the grant renewal agreements, and the Health District will bring the grant renewal applications individually to City Council, as the renewal time occurs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of funds in the amount of \$2,772,910.00 and authorizes acceptance of any prior year carry-forward support, as allowed by the funding agency. The twelve grant awards will support 32 grant-funded, full-time positions. The City will provide an estimated \$67,540.00 for in-kind services from the Health Department General Fund to these grants. There will be no impact in the form of a cash match.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund:	1066 Health Grant Fund
Organization/Activity:	89 Grants & Capital Project Funds/ various
Department:	15 Health Department
Account:	various

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend approval of the grant renewal agreements as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance
Presentation
Grant Summary & Fiscal Breakdown