



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of December 19, 2017  
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of January 9, 2017

**DATE:** November 7, 2017

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Approving the Director of the Corpus Christi Nueces County Public Health District's (CCNCPHD), appointment of Dr. William Burgin, Jr., to serve as the Local Health Authority for the Public Health District for a two-year term.

### **CAPTION:**

Resolution approving the Director of the Corpus Christi Nueces County Public Health District's appointment of Dr. William Burgin, Jr. to serve as the Local Health Authority for the Public Health District for a two-year term beginning December 18, 2017 and ending December 18, 2019.

### **PURPOSE:**

To allow the CCNCPHD Director of Public Health to appoint a Local Health Authority for a two year term as required by the State of Texas.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

**Appointment and Term:** In accordance with Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 121.021, a Local Health Authority is a physician appointed to administer state and local laws relating to public health within the appointing body's jurisdiction. A health authority serves for a term of two years and may be appointed to successive terms.

**Duties:** Under Section 121.024, a health authority is a state officer when performing duties prescribed by state law. A health authority shall perform each duty that is (1) necessary to implement and enforce a law to protect the public health; or (2) prescribed by the board. Duties of a health authority include (1) establishing, maintaining, and enforcing quarantine in the health authority's jurisdiction; (2) aiding the board in relation to local quarantine, inspection, disease prevention and suppression, birth and death statistics, and general sanitation in the health authority's jurisdiction.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Do not allow the appointment of a Local Health Authority and be in non-compliance with State of Texas requirements.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

None

**CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

Council approval required for acceptance of resolution to allow CCNCPHD Director of Public Health to appoint Dr. William Burgin, Jr. to serve as Local Health Authority for a two-year term.

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-Emergency. This item requires two readings.

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Corpus Christi-Nueces County Public Health District  
Legal Department

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

☒ Operating      ☐ Revenue      ☐ Capital      ☐ Not applicable

<b>Fiscal Year: 2017-2018</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	
Line Item Budget		100,000	100,000	200,000	
Encumbered / Expended Amount					
This item		100,000	100,000	200,000	
BALANCE		\$100,000	\$100,000	\$200,000	

Fund(s): 1020 (General Fund) & 9100 (Nueces County General Fund)

**Comments:** The City of Corpus Christi pays 50%, and Nueces County pays the other 50% of the Local Health Authority's annual professional service fee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this agenda item.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution  
DSHS Certificate & Forms for Local Health Authority Appointment