CITY OF SAN ANTONIO



SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT

INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Fernando A. Guerra, M.D., M.P.H., Director of Health

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Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

COPIES TO:

Frances A. Gonzalez, Assistant to the City Manager; City Attorney's Office; Office of

Management and Budget, Risk Management Division; Finance Department; Project;

File

SUBJECT:

ORDINANCE ACCEPTING FUNDS FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF

HEALTH FOR THE LABORATORY BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS

PROGRAM

DATE:

May 15, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept a contract amendment that provides \$37,710.00 in cash support from the Texas Department of Health (TDH) to augment the ongoing Laboratory Bioterrorism Preparedness Program of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (SAMHD). The ordinance further authorizes the execution of a change to the contract with TDH, revises the budget, and authorizes payments for contractual services.

Staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND

The City Manager was authorized to execute the Public Health State Support Project 2002-2003 contract with TDH through an ordinance passed and approved on August 9, 2001. This contract includes fourteen (14) contract amendments that were approved in previous ordinances and currently provides \$5,316,598.00 in cash, \$54,312.00 in-kind, and \$5,218,981.00 in contract support. Of these amendments Contract Change Notice Number 08 supported initial funding for the Laboratory Bioterrorism Preparedness Program with \$518,394.00, of which \$359,000.00 was used to build a new Bioterrorism Safety Laboratory at the main SAMHD Laboratory. Execution of this contract change was approved by City Council on September 26, 2002.

The Laboratory Bioterrorism Preparedness Program is an effort whereby staff from the SAMHD Laboratory Division are developing a protocol and infrastructure for the rapid detection of toxins and organisms that may be introduced in the community through acts of bio-terrorism. Previous funding from this grant is being used to renovate and upgrade the existing lab at SAMHD to meet the standards for bioterrorism safety as set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Texas Laboratory Response Network. TDH has now offered another contract amendment that will furnish \$37,710.00 in cash support to augment the Laboratory Bioterrorism Preparedness Program. This additional funding will be used to purchase new computer equipment for the laboratory.

POLICY ANALYSIS

Acceptance of this grant from TDH will continue the long-standing practice of utilizing Federal and State aid to support the local public health programs of the City.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This contract amendment will provide \$37,710.00 in cash support to augment the ongoing Laboratory Bioterrorism Preparedness Program of the SAMHD. This additional funding brings the total cash support to \$5,354,308.00, the in-kind support to \$54,312.00 and the contract support to \$5,218,981.00 under the Public Health State Support Project 2002-2003 contract with TDH (Grand Total: \$10,627,601.00).

COORDINATION

The City Attorney's Office and the Office of Management and Budget, Risk Management Division have reviewed the contract with TDH. The Finance Department has approved the proposed program budgets.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

Provisions of the Ethics Ordinance do not apply.

Fernando A. Guerra, M.D., M.P.H.

Director of Health

Frances A. Gonzalez

Assistant to the City Manager

APPROVED BY:

Terry M. Brechtel

City Manager

ATTACHMENT I

Public Health State Support Project 2002-2003 - Federal Fund No. 26-016052

TDH Contract No. 7460020708 2003

INDEX:	ESTIMATED REVENUES:	OBJECT CODE:	CURRENT BUDGET:	ADDITION / DEDUCTION	REVISED BUDGET
077792	Attachment #16B - Cash Total Revenues:		\$518,394 \$518,394	\$37,710 \$37,710	\$556,104 \$556,104
	APPROPRIATIONS:				
	Laboratory Bioterrorism Prepared	ness Program	- Attachment #	16B	
	Activity: 36-10-05	09/01/02 to 8/3	31/03		
743823	Régular Salaries & Wages	01-010	69,365	0	69,365
743831	Social Security	01-030	5,306	0	5,306
743849	TMRS	01-040	8,065	0	8,065
743856	Group Health Insurance	01-050	8,700	0	8,700
743864	Life Insurance	01-051	158	0	158
743872	Travel - Other	02-127	1,500	0	1,500
743880	Fees to Prof. Contractors	02-160	359,000		359,000
743898	Chemicals, Medical and Drugs	03-228	11,000	0	11,000
743906	Tools, Apparatus, & Accessories	03-232	48,000	0	48,000
743914	Computer Equipment	05-360	7,300	<u>37,710</u>	45,010
	Total 36-10-05:		\$518,394	37,710	556,104

	Grand Total:				\$556,104

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PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT:

			CURRE	NT ADD/DE	DUCI REVISED
Activity: 36-1	0-05				
0216	Laboratory Technologist II		1	0	1
0918	Program Manager		1	<u>0</u>	1
	Total 36-10-05		. 2	0.0	2
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