

CONSENT AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 66

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Fernando A. Guerra, MD, MPH, Director of Health

**SUBJECT:** Professional Health Services Contracts

**DATE:** December 15, 2005

**SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and execute five contracts for a total of \$120,000.00 with local dentists to provide dental services in clinics for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (SAMHD), a contract with University Physicians Group for \$120,000.00 for obstetrics and gynecology physician services, and a contract with Southwest General Hospital for \$120,000.00 for mammography procedures. In addition, this ordinance will authorize a contract amendment establishing a ceiling for a total amount of \$75,000.00 to a professional services agreement with a nurse practitioner and authorize a contract amendment establishing a ceiling for a total amount of \$75,000.00 to a professional services agreement with a physician assistant. This ordinance will also authorize payments for contractual services.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

SAMHD is engaged in a variety of programs that require professional health services including: dental examinations and treatments; prenatal care; breast cancer screening; and sexually transmitted disease diagnosis and treatment. Although many of these services are performed by staff in the SAMHD clinics and the laboratory, it is also necessary to contract with local professionals. Some of these are physicians, dentists, nurses, and similar providers who extend clinic capacity during peak periods or furnish services when full time staff is not available or necessary.

This ordinance will authorize the acceptance and execution of contracts with five (5) local dentists who will provide services in one or more of the four (4) dental clinics currently operated by the SAMHD. These contracts will begin on December 15, 2005 and end December 14, 2006. The aggregate total for these contracts will be \$210,000.00.

In addition, this ordinance will approve a contract with University Physician's Group to provide obstetrical ultrasounds and physician services in support of the SAMHD prenatal program. The contract will extend through August 31, 2006 with an option for the City to renew the term for an additional year. Total payments under this contract will not exceed \$120,000.00.

This ordinance will also authorize a contract with Southwest General Hospital to provide mammography services in support of the SAMHD breast cancer screening program. The contract will extend through June 30, 2006 with a one-year renewal option for the City. Total payments to Southwest General under this contract will not exceed \$120,000.00.

Finally, this ordinance will authorize additional payments on two (2) current professional health services contracts that are now capped at \$25,000.00 each. One contract is with a nurse practitioner and the other with a physician assistant. Both of these individuals work in the SAMHD Sexually Transmitted Disease Program. Total payments on each contract will be raised to \$75,000.00.

The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for medical imaging services was posted to the COSA web in November of 2004. Due to lengthy contract language negotiations and changes in vendor management, the contracts are just now in signatory status. The dental contractors were identified through a Request for Applications (RFA) process that was posted to the COSA web May of 2005. Both processes were coordinated through the Contract Services Department, Human Resources Risk Management Division, and the City Attorney's Office.

### **POLICY ANALYSIS**

Acceptance and execution of these professional health services contracts will continue the long-standing practice of utilizing local expertise and outsourcing to support the local public health programs of the City.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The aggregate total of the contracts submitted with this ordinance is \$600,000.00 as follows:

Contract	Amount	Funding Source
Dental Services: Bankler	\$80,000.00	General Fund
Dental Services: Nguyen	\$49,000.00	General Fund
Dental Services: Schlepp	\$27,000.00	General Fund
Dental Services: Almquist	\$27,000.00	General Fund
Dental Services: Fritsche	\$27,000.00	General Fund
University Physicians Group	\$120,000.00	Grant Funds
Southwest General Hospital	\$120,000.00	Grant Funds
Nurse Practitioner	\$75,000.00	General Fund
Physician Assistant	\$75,000.00	General Fund

### **COORDINATION**

The City Attorney's Office and the Human Resources Department, Risk Management Division, have reviewed and approved the attached contracts. The Contract Services Department has reviewed and approved the selection process. The SAMHD has coordinated this item with the

Economic Development Department, Finance Department, and the Office of Management and Budget.

**SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS**

Contracts Disclosure Forms are attached to contracts as required.

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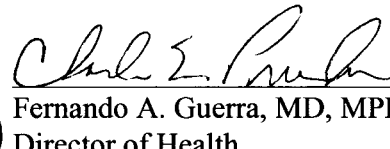
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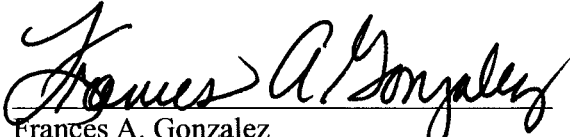
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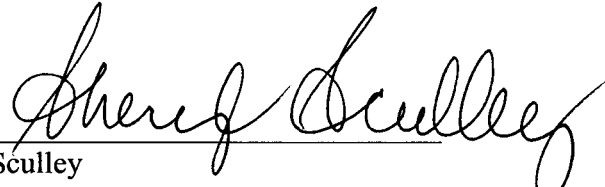
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