

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

TO: Sheryl Sculley, City Manager
FROM: Fernando A. Guerra, MD, MPH, Director of Health
SUBJECT: Health Services/Health Education Program
DATE: March 23, 2006

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and execute a contract change for an additional \$126,194.00 from the Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) to supplement funding for the ongoing Health Services/Education Program in the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (SAMHD) and extend the grant period from February 28, 2006 through August 31, 2006. This ordinance will also revise the program budget.

Staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City Manager was authorized to execute the Public Health State Support Project 2005/2006 contract with TDSHS through an ordinance passed and approved on January 13, 2005, providing annual assistance to the City in support of the core public health activities offered by the SAMHD. Contract changes are made throughout the term of the contract in order to renew grant programs when their terms expire. TDSHS has now offered a contract change totaling \$126,194.00 through Contract Change Notice No. 16, Attachment 07A to supplement support for the ongoing Health Services/Education Program in the SAMHD and extend the period from February 28, 2006 through August 31, 2006.

Five (5) staff work in the Health Services/Education Program, four (4) are funded 100% through this grant and one (1) at 50%. They work in a variety of public health activities to include: the implementation of a community health improvement plan, public relations, promotion of healthy lifestyles, clerical support, and laboratory technician.

POLICY ANALYSIS

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

FISCAL IMPACT

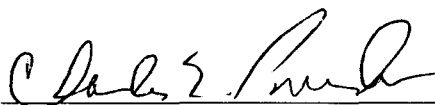
This contract change provides additional support totaling \$126,194.00 to supplement the ongoing Health Services/Education Program in the SAMHD and extend the period from February 28, 2006 through August 31, 2006. The original contract change for this program was limited to six months by TDSHS because a portion of the funds comes from the Federal Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant, which had been targeted for elimination. However, funds for the block grant have been restored for the 2005-06 fiscal year. This additional funding support will extend the program through August 31, 2006. This brings the total program TDSHS funding to \$279,082.00.

COORDINATION

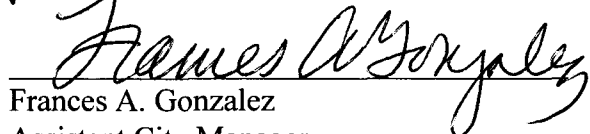
The City Attorney's Office and the Human Resources Department, Risk Management Division, have reviewed and approved the contract with TDSHS. This item has been coordinated with the Finance Department and the Office of Management and Budget.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

Provisions of the Ethics Ordinance do not apply.

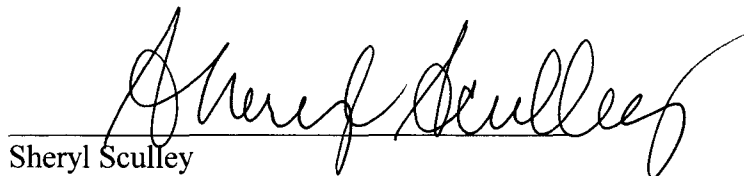


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Approved for Council Consideration:



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