

**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: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Amendments

DATE: June 15, 2006

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and execute amendments for two contracts with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). One amendment provides an additional \$40,000.00 and extends the contract period through August 31, 2006 for Contract 582-5-55852 (Amendment Number 3). This contract supports the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's (SAMHD) Public Center of Environmental Health (PCEH) in its operation/maintenance of air quality monitors in the San Antonio area. The second contract amendment provides an additional \$30,000.00 and extends the contract period through August 31, 2007 for Contract 582-5-55885 (Amendment Number 2), which supports the PCEH's operation and maintenance of three 2.5-micron particulate matter air monitors. This ordinance further revises the program budgets.

Staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (SAMHD) Public Center for Environmental Health (PCEH) was established to protect the environment in San Antonio. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), an agency of the State of Texas, has contracted with the City of San Antonio for PCEH to manage two local air monitoring efforts. Through one contract, PCEH operates and maintains various air quality monitors. Another contract from TCEQ supports work by PCEH to operate and maintain air particulate matter monitors that trap small air particles known to trigger asthma and other respiratory illnesses in children.

PCEH oversees and coordinates these operations with TCEQ by collecting air samples and delivering them to the designated analytical laboratory. In addition, PCEH staff regularly checks each air monitor to ensure they are fully operational.

POLICY ANALYSIS

This ordinance follows the City practice of utilizing Federal, State and other funds to protect community health.

FISCAL IMPACT

This ordinance authorizes two (2) contract amendments between TCEQ and SAMHD as follows:

The contract to operate and maintain the air quality monitors (Contract 582-5-55852) will be extended from June 30, 2006 through August 31, 2006. An additional \$40,000.00 is provided from TCEQ to support this change.

The contract to operate and maintain the air particulate matter monitors (Contract 582-5-55885) will be extended from August 31, 2006 through August 31, 2007. An additional \$30,000.00 will be provided from TCEQ for this change.

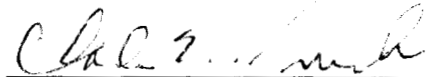
With these two amendments, funding for the combined projects will total \$521,667.00. These contract amendments will place no demand on the City General Fund.

COORDINATION

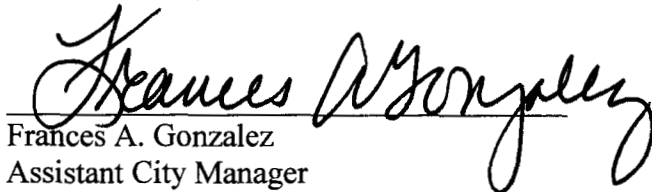
The City Attorney's Office and the Human Resources Department-Risk Management Division have reviewed and approved the agreements. The Office of Management and Budget and Finance Department have approved the program budgets. The SAMHD has coordinated these programs with the Departments of Environmental Services and External Relations.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

A Discretionary Contracts Disclosure form is not required.




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Approved for Council Consideration:



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