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# **Authorizing Renewal of Interlocal Agreements with Independent School Districts**

**Presented by: Dr. Vincent Nathan, Interim Health Director**

**Agenda Item #**

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## **Background**

- The San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program is required to develop a plan to provide immunizations and/or medications to all residents of Bexar County within forty-eight (48) hours after surveillance efforts detect a serious naturally occurring infectious disease or a release of a biological agent by terrorists.



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## **Background**

- Local venues must be secured in preparation for a public health emergency event.
- The ISD school buildings are ideal for this purpose:
  - Residents will be able to obtain the immunization/medication from a facility that is within walking distance (no more than three miles) from their homes.
  - School buildings have resources such as adequate restrooms, parking, refrigeration, cafeteria, data and phone connections, office equipment, rooms for volunteer training, and the required square footage to implement the emergency plan.



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- This ordinance is consistent with past City policy to foster cooperation with other public agencies for the benefit of residents.
- This ordinance allows the City staff to establish plans for the protection of local residents from infectious diseases and biological toxins in the event of a public health emergency.



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## **Fiscal Impact**

- There will be no immediate impact to the City General Fund as a result of this ordinance.
- In the event that funds are made available to the City for reimbursement by the State, a state agency, the federal government or a federal agency, for actions taken directly related to these agreements, the City will be responsible for reimbursing the school districts for allowable costs incurred.



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## **Recommendation**

- Staff recommends approval of the ordinance to renew the Interlocal Agreements with the following (11) school districts: San Antonio, Edgewood, South Side, Northside, South San, North East, Judson, East Central, Southwest, Alamo Heights, and Harlandale to utilize their facilities for the purpose of immunizing and/or providing medications to the residents of Bexar County in the event of a public health emergency.