

THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

AN ORDINANCE

RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING OF UP TO \$130,000.00 FOR ONE FULL TIME EPIDEMIOLOGIST TO AUGMENT THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT'S EPIDEMIOLOGICAL CAPACITY FOR OUTBREAK AND DISASTER RESPONSE WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON FOODBORNE ILLNESS INVESTIGATIONS FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2014 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2015.

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WHEREAS, the 83rd Legislative Session awarded a \$3 million Exceptional Item (EI) to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to augment local health department epidemiological capacity for outbreak and disaster response with special emphasis on foodborne illness investigations; and

WHEREAS, to achieve this outcome, the DSHS Commissioner directed DSHS's Emerging and Acute Infectious Disease Branch to offer funding for one full time epidemiologist to local health departments with the highest number of annual foodborne illnesses as determined by the DSHS's current foodborne illness questionnaire response; and

WHEREAS, based on these criteria, DSHS is offering the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District funding to cover the cost of a full time surveillance and epidemiology staff member for the current State biennial budget period; and

WHEREAS, continued funding is subject to EI renewal; and

WHEREAS, the focus of this staff member is foodborne illness with responsibilities to include investigations, analyzing and interpreting data, and reporting findings in compliance with local, state, and federal agency guidelines and regulations; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of State Health Services for one full time epidemiologist is hereby ratified. The City Manager or her designee or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District or his designee is hereby authorized to accept grant funds upon award in an amount up to \$130,000.00 for one full time epidemiologist

to augment the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's epidemiological capacity for outbreak and disaster response with special emphasis on foodborne illness investigations for the period beginning April 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015. A copy of said grant application which is incorporated herein for all purposes is on file with the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District.

SECTION 2. The City Manager or her designee or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District or his designee is further authorized to initiate, negotiate, and execute any and all necessary documents and grant contracts to effectuate the application and acceptance of the funds for the above referenced grant, and to execute contract amendments pertaining to this grant in the following circumstances a) line item budget revisions authorized by the funding agency; b) modifications to the performance measures authorized by the funding agency and listed in the contract so long as the terms of the amendment stay within the general parameters of the grant's intention; c) changes in state or federal regulations mandated by the funding agency; and d) carry-over funds, when ascertained and approved by the funding agency through a revised notice of award.

SECTION 3. Upon approval of this ordinance, a new fund and internal order number will be created. Upon creation, the sum of \$41,000.00 from the Department of State and Health Services Emerging and Acute Infectious Disease Branch will be appropriated in said fund. The remaining \$89,000.00 will be appropriated upon renewal in September 2014. The proposed budget which is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I** is approved and adopted for entry in the City books. A formal final budget which will include Internal Order numbers and General Ledger numbers will be submitted by the department upon award.

SECTION 4. The proposed personnel complement of one (1) position which is attached hereto and incorporated as **Attachment I** is hereby approved. Should funding be awarded, the personnel complement is approved.

SECTION 5. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. This ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____.

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Julián Castro

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Robert F. Greenblum, City Attorney

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