

AN ORDINANCE 2018-08-16-0631

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY NAMING DR. CHICHI JUNDA WOO, MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT, AS LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY FOR SAN ANTONIO AND SURROUNDING AREAS OF BEXAR COUNTY.

* * * * *

WHEREAS, in order to meet the needs of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (Metro Health) and achieve public health preparedness goals as outlined in the Texas Department of State Health Services Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Cities Readiness Initiative Grants, Metro Health seeks the appointment of Dr. Chichi Junda Woo as the Local Health Authority for the City of San Antonio and surrounding areas of Bexar County; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 121 of the Texas Health and Safety Code empowers a local health authority to implement control measures, which may include quarantines, isolation orders, coordination of disaster response, and controlling the spread of communicable disease outbreaks or naturally occurring epidemics affecting the public's health; and

WHEREAS, additionally, the appointment of Dr. Woo will provide a means for the local health authority to implement control measures in the event of a public health emergency within the City of San Antonio and surrounding areas of Bexar County without reliance on the director of the Department of State Health Services Region 8 office who must serve as the local health authority for all counties in the Region's 28-county service area, who do not have an appointed local health authority; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

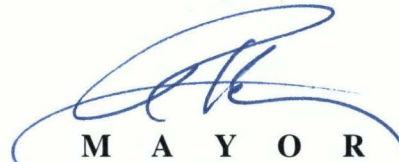
SECTION 1. The Mayor of the City of San Antonio or his designee is hereby authorized to execute and submit a Certificate of Appointment of Local Health Authority to the Texas Department of State Health Services naming Dr. Chichi Junda Woo, Medical Director for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, as Local Health Authority for San Antonio and surrounding areas of Bexar County. A copy of said Certificate of Appointment is incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

SECTION 2. 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.

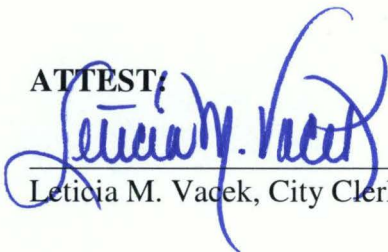
MH
08/16/18
Item No. 19

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

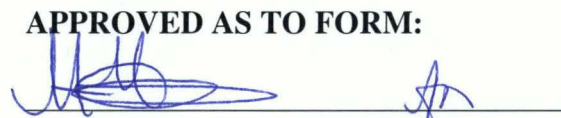
PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day August, 2018.



M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:


Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

Agenda Item:	19						
Date:	08/16/2018						
Time:	12:30:15 PM						
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve						
Description:	Ordinance naming Dr. Chichi Junda Woo, Medical Director for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, as Local Health Authority for San Antonio and surrounding areas of Bexar County. [Erik Walsh, Deputy City Manager; Colleen M. Bridger, MPH, PhD, Director of Health]						
Result:	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ron Nirenberg	Mayor		x				
Roberto C. Treviño	District 1		x				
William Cruz Shaw	District 2		x				
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x				x
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Greg Brockhouse	District 6			x			
Ana E. Sandoval	District 7		x			x	
Manny Pelaez	District 8		x				
John Courage	District 9		x				
Clayton H. Perry	District 10			x			

MH
08/16/2018
Item No. 19

Attachment I



Certificate of Appointment

for a

Health Authority

The Health Authority has been appointed and approved by the:

(Check the appropriate designation below)

_____ Commissioners Court for _____ County

Governing Body for the Municipality of City of San Antonio

_____ Director, _____ Health Department

_____ Director, _____ Public Health District

I, Ron Nirenberg, acting in my capacity as: *(Check the appropriate designation below)*

_____ County Judge or Designee

Mayor or Designee

_____ Non-physician and the Local Health Department Director

_____ Non-physician and the Public Health District Director

do hereby certify the physician, Dr. Chichi Junda Woo, who is licensed by the Texas Board of Medical Examiners, was duly appointed as the (check as applicable),

Health Authority

_____ Health Authority Designee

for the jurisdiction of City of San Antonio and Bexar County, Texas.

Date term of office begins October 1, 2018

Date term of office ends September 30, 2020, unless removed by law.

I certify to the above information on this the _____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature of Appointing Official



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT

Local Health Authority

Presented by: Dr. Colleen M. Bridger, Director

Agenda Item #19

August 16, 2018





Background

- Local Health Authority (LHA)
 - Licensed physician critical to the state and the local public health system
 - Established by the 79th Legislative session, through the Local Public Health Re-Organization Act
 - Chapter 121 of TX Health and Safety Code



Background

- Duties of a LHA include:
 - Enforcing ordinances, sanitation laws, quarantine rules, and vital statistics collection
 - Inspection, disease prevention and suppression, and general sanitation
 - Reporting contagious, infectious, and dangerous epidemic diseases
 - Implementing control measures during public health emergencies



Fiscal Impact

- Term of appointment
 - 2-year term effective October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2020
 - No term limits
 - Reappointment may be sought at the end of the term
- As this would be an additional assigned duty for our current medical director, there is no fiscal impact to the general fund in appointing a LHA for the City of San Antonio and surrounding areas of Bexar County



Recommendation

Staff recommends City Council authorize the execution of a Certificate of Appointment of Local Health Authority, naming Dr. Junda Woo, Metro Health's Medical Director, as the Local Health Authority for the City of San Antonio and surrounding areas of Bexar County