



**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date: 10/5/2022

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Item Creation Date: 9/13/2022

E32507- Health of Houston Surveillance Cohort (The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston) - ORDINANCE

Agenda Item#: 70.

**Background:**

**Subrecipient Agreement (S38-E32507) - Approve an ordinance awarding a Subrecipient Agreement to the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,239.00 for services addressing COVID-19 health disparities among populations at high-risk and underserved for Health of Houston Surveillance Cohort for the Houston Health Department.**

**Specific Explanation:**

The Director of the Houston Health Department and the Interim Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve an ordinance awarding a Subrecipient Agreement to the **University of Texas Health Science Center (UT Health Houston)** in an amount not to exceed **\$1,000,239.00** for services addressing COVID-19 health disparities among populations at high-risk and underserved for Health of Houston Surveillance. This agreement is effective on City Controller's countersignature date until May 31, 2023.

The scope of work requires UT Health to develop and implement two waves of COVID-19 impact surveys. The surveys will target address-based sampling of approximately 6000 Harris County residents. The COVID-19 impact surveys will focus on exposure and experience with COVID-19 including long-haul COVID adherence to public health guidelines, behaviors that elevate the risk of infection, vaccination hesitancy and barriers to health care.

This recommendation is made pursuant to subsections 252,022(1)(2a) of the Texas Local Government Code, which provides that "a procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the municipality's residents" is exempt from the competitive requirements for purchases.

**M/WBE Participation:**

Zero-percent goal document approved by the Office of Business Opportunity.

**Hire Houston First:**

Hire Houston First does not apply to this expenditure, because it involves the use of the federal funds and is subject to specific procurement rules of the federal government.

**Disaster Note**

This item is related to the impact of COVID-19 and expenditures eligible to be paid under the federal funds and is subject to specific procurement rules of the federal government.

**Fiscal Note:**

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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 Director-Houston Health Department

**Estimated Spending Authority**

<u>Department</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>Out Years</u>	<u>Total</u>
Houston Health Department	\$1,000,239.00	-	\$1,000,239.00

**Amount and Source of Funding:**

**\$1,000,239.00**  
 Federal Government-Grant Funded  
 Fund No.: 5000

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

MWBE Goal Waiver Approved Memo  
Form A RCA Budget Info  
Certificate of Funds  
UT Health Subrecipient

**Type**

Backup Material  
Financial Information  
Financial Information  
Contract/Exhibit