



Legislation Text

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ORDINANCE NO. 230874

Sponsor: Director of the Health Department

Accepting and approving a \$313,232.00 grant amendment from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for developing and implementing programs tailored to ending the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) epidemic in the Kansas City, Missouri area.

WHEREAS, Ending the HIV Epidemic (“EHE”) campaign seeks to reduce new HIV infections through a four pillar approach focused on diagnosing, treating, preventing, and responding to potential outbreaks; and

WHEREAS, in CY2021 the Kansas City Transitional Grant Area identified 201 new cases of HIV; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the EHE is a 75% reduction in new HIV infections over the initial 5 year period and at least a 90% reduction in 10 years; and

WHEREAS, EHE grant activities will include Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) resources and navigation, HIV testing in non-clinical/non-traditional settings, and increasing linkages to care; and

WHEREAS, this funding builds upon the Kansas City Health Department's HIV Prevention and Care services and improves the City's preparedness to identify and treat new infections rapidly; and

WHEREAS, the EHE plan enables the HIV Services Program to increase testing and diagnostic efforts, create new collaborative partnerships, and support community based programs and interventions; and

WHEREAS, preventing the spread of disease impacts the economic vitality, social, and environmental quality of the Kansas City community; and

WHEREAS, all HIV Prevention grant funds focus efforts on specific vulnerable populations that are at highest risk for HIV including African American females, African American men who have sex with men, members of the LatinX community, and White men who have sex with men; and

WHEREAS, HIV Prevention activities reduce the spread of HIV in the community and improves quality of life in Kansas City residents; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds will help foster a healthier and safer community; and

WHEREAS, federal investments in public health such as HIV Prevention and EHE grants also reduce the local burden to provide safety net services and care, NOW, THEREFORE;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That a grant award amendment between the City of Kansas City, Missouri, acting through its Director of Health (the “Director”), and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for developing and implementing programs that are focused on diagnosing, treating, preventing, and responding to potential HIV outbreaks in the Kansas City, Missouri, area for the period beginning August 1, 2023, through May 31, 2024, for an amount not to exceed \$313,232.00, is hereby accepted and approved. A copy of the grant award agreement, in substantial form, is on file with the Director.

Section 2. That the Director is designated as requisitioning authority for Account No. 24-2480-505437-G50543725 and is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$313,232.00 from funds previously appropriated to the account.

I hereby certify that there is a balance, otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of the appropriation to which the foregoing expenditure is to be charged, and a cash balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the treasury, to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

Tammy L. Queen
Director of Finance

Approved as to form:

Joseph A. Guarino
Senior Associate City Attorney