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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE FISCAL YEAR
2021 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
ENDING THE HIV EPIDEMIC GRANT CONTRACT**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve Amendment No. 4 to the FY 2021 Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant Contract, #HHS000897700004.

BACKGROUND

Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) receives annual funding from DSHS in the form of grant contracts to perform essential public health services including the Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant contract.

The Ending the HIV Epidemic Grant Contract supports HIV education and prevention and is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). DSHS serves as a pass-through agency and provides grant funds for the salaries of staff who perform community health promotions activities in support of its agreement with the CDC. The community health promotions activities include distributing HIV prevention messaging to vulnerable populations, providing educational materials, and performing HIV CD4 viral load and genotype testing, which is necessary to connect newly diagnosed clients to care and supports HIV Cluster Detection and Response efforts.

On September 29, 2020, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #133855, approved a Letter of Agreement and Grant Contract with DSHS for funding in the amount of \$637,328.00 to support the Ending the HIV Epidemic grant. The term of the contract was September 29, 2020 through July 31, 2021.

On June 1, 2021, the Commissioners Court, through Court order #135579, approved Amendment No. 1 to the contract, decreasing funding by \$232,000.00 for FY 2022 and extending the contract term through July 31, 2022.

On April 26, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #137993, approved Amendment No. 2 to the contract, increasing funding by \$637,328.00 for FY 2023 and extending the contract term through July 31, 2023.

On June 6, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #141017, approved Amendment No. 3 to the contract, increasing funding by \$637,328.00 for FY 2024, and extending the contract through July 31, 2024.

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| SUBMITTED BY: | Public Health | PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY: | Abram Oliver |
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With approval of Amendment No. 4, the Grant Contract term will be shortened from July 31, 2024 to May 31, 2024 and funding will be reduced by \$106,222.00, bringing the new total contract amount to \$531,106.00 for the period of August 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

All other terms and conditions not hereby amended shall remain in full force and effect.

This Criminal District Attorney's Office has reviewed this document as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT

All associated costs will be paid from grant fund allocations in F0036-2024.

There is no indirect cost, match, or operating subsidy required for this grant contract.