

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

**ORDINANCE**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL AND AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT SAN ANTONIO TO CONTINUE THE IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT OF REFERRAL SERVICES FOR THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT'S HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION TO A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$115,550.00, INCLUSIVE OF THE RENEWAL.**

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**WHEREAS**, in 2018, City Council authorized the acceptance of funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) grant in an amount of up to \$900,000.00 per year for up to 5 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the REACH award aims to improve health, prevent chronic diseases, and reduce health disparities among certain racial and ethnic populations; and

**WHEREAS**, through REACH funding, the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (Metro Health) proposed to implement culturally tailored interventions to address the preventable behaviors of tobacco use, poor nutrition, and physical inactivity, building on the success of the Healthy Neighborhoods program and Office of Health Equity; and

**WHEREAS**, a key strategy of the REACH grant is to build and promote bidirectional Community-Clinical Linkages (CCL) between healthcare clinics and community-based health and prevention programs; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, Metro Health contracted with the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio on behalf of its Institute of Health Promotion Research (IHPR) on a feasibility study for making Community-Clinical Linkages between Metro Health programs (Diabetes Prevention & Asthma) and the Robert B. Green Campus of the University Health System (UHS) and UT Health Physicians; and

**WHEREAS**, results of the study lead to the initiation of embedding community referrals into clinical workflow processes; and

**WHEREAS**, through this project, IHPR facilitated relationships between Metro Health programs and resident physicians in family medicine clinics and in 2022, IHPR is expected to implement a referral button through its electronic medical record (EMR) system; and

**WHEREAS**, Metro Health will train clinic providers to initiate referrals, fully linking clients to Metro Health's prevention programs; and

**WHEREAS**, having a deep knowledge of and history with establishing the foundation of the CCL strategy, IHPR is uniquely positioned to move the CCL strategy forward due to existing relationships with clinic providers, their understanding of the significance of EMR systems in healthcare, and their role in promoting community health programs; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager or designee, or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District or designee, is authorized to execute a renewal and amendment to an agreement with The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio to continue the implementation and management of referral services for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Healthy Neighborhoods program ending September 29, 2022 to increase the compensation to a total amount of \$115,550.00, inclusive of the renewal. Funding for the agreement is contingent on carryforward funding provided through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) Grant Budget. A copy of the amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

**SECTION 2.** The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer 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 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 \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Ron Nirenberg**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Debbie Racca-Sittre, Acting City Clerk

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Andrew Segovia, City Attorney