



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** 21-4614      **Version:** 1      **Name:**  
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**File created:** 9/3/2021      **In control:** Commissioners Court  
**On agenda:** 9/14/2021      **Final action:** 9/14/2021  
**Title:** Transmittal by the Office of the Purchasing Agent of a purchase on behalf of Harris County Public Health to provide gift cards for the COVID-19 vaccine incentive program for Harris County from USIO, Inc. in the amount of \$8,651,000, Blackhawk Network, Inc. dba Blackhawk Engagement Solutions, in the amount of \$1,033,360, and HEB in the amount of \$476,775 for a total cost of \$10,161,135.

**Sponsors:**

**Indexes:**

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:** 1. 21-4614 Emergency Authorization Letter for Vaccine Incentive.pdf

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
9/14/2021	1	Commissioners Court		

**Department:** Purchasing

**Department Head/Elected Official:** DeWight Dopslauf

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:**

- ☒ Regular RCA  
☐ Supplemental RCA

**Type of Request:** Transmittal

**Project ID (if applicable):** COVID - 19

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):** USIO, Inc., Blackhawk Network, Inc., H-E-B, LP

**MWDBE Participation (if applicable):** N/A

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

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**Background and Discussion:**

USIO, Inc. - \$8,651,000 (30,000 physical cards, 56,000 virtual cards)  
Blackhawk Network, Inc. - \$1,033,360 (10,000 physical cards)  
HEB - \$476,775 (4,500 physical cards)

**Expected Impact:** In the first week of the program, Harris County Public Health saw a material increase in first dose vaccinations vs. the prior week.

**Alternative Options:**

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- ☐ Justice and Safety  
☐ Economic Opportunity  
☐ Housing  
☒ Public Health

- ☐ Transportation  
☐ Flooding  
☐ Environment

☐ Governance and Customer Service **Prior Court Action (if any):** N/A

**Location:**

Address (if applicable list below):

- ☒ Countywide  
☐ Precinct 1  
☐ Precinct 2

☐ Precinct 3

<input type="checkbox"/> Precinct 4				
Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name	Preparedness, Planning, Response and	FY 21-22	Estimates	
			FY 22	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures</b>				
Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
Non-Labor Expenditures		10,161K	-	-
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>		<b>10,161K</b>	-	-
<b>Funding Sources</b> (General Fund, PIC Fund, Debt or CP, Grants, or Other - Please Specify)				
Existing Budget	ARPA Fund	10,161K	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Current Budget</b>		<b>10,161K</b>	-	-
<b>Additional Budget Requested</b>		-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

Total Additional Budget Requested	-	-	-
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	<b>10,161K</b>	-	-
<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>	-	-	-

**Anticipated Implementation Date:** On going

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:**

- ☐ Not an emergency, disaster recovery, or COVID-19 related item
- ☐ Emergency Item
- ☒ COVID-19 related Item
- ☐ Disaster Recovery related Item

**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Public Health Services, Michael McClendon, Director Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, and Harold Dutton, Financial Services Director

**Attachments (if applicable):** Emergency Order(s) by County Judge's Office, Agreement with USIO, Inc.