

Harris County, Texas

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Legislation Text

File #: 22-5644, Version: 1

Department: Commissioner, Precinct 4

Department Head/Elected Official: Commissioner Jack Cagle

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Supplemental RCA

Type of Request: Grant

Project ID (if applicable): N/A

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): N/A

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): N/A
MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal not applicable to request

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Commissioner of Precinct 4 for approval to accept from the U.S. Department of Agriculture grant funds in the amount of \$240,955, with no match requirement, for the USDA/Texas A&M/Precinct 4 Farm & Ranch Park Project.

Background and Discussion:

Funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Urban Agriculture, the purpose of this grant program is to encourage and promote urban, indoor, and other emerging agricultural practices, including community gardens and farms located in urban areas, suburbs, and urban clusters; rooftop farms, outdoor vertical production, and green walls; indoor farms, greenhouses, and high-tech vertical technology farms; hydroponic, aeroponic, and aquaponic farm facilities; and other innovations in agricultural production, such as agroforestry and food forests, as determined by the Secretary.

Expected Impact:

The grant will be used to develop curriculum, facilities, educational gardens, educational orchards and raised beds to teach the public about growing foods that will then be used to combat food desert challenges in Precinct 4.

Alternative Options:

None.

Alignment with Goal(s):

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- _ Justice and Safety
- _x Economic Opportunity
- _ Housing
- _ Public Health
- _ Transportation
- _ Flooding
- _ Environment
- x_ Governance and Customer Service

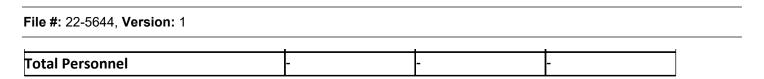
Prior Court Action (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
7/20/21	21-3296	Application authorized

Location:

Address (if applicable): Precinct(s): Choose an item.

Fiscal and Personnel Su	ımmary				
Service Name Farm 8	Farm & Ranch Project				
•	SFY 22	FY 23	Next 3 FYs		
Incremental Expenditures	(do NOT write values in th	ousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$		
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$80,318.00	\$160,637		
Total Incremental Expendi	tures \$	\$80,318.00	\$160,637		
Funding Sources (do NOT v	vrite values in thousands	or millions)			
Existing Budget					
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$		
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$		
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$		
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$		
Additional Budget Request	ed				
Grant	\$	\$80,318.00	\$160,637.00		
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$		
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$		
Total Additional Budget Re	quested \$	\$80,318.00	\$160,637.00		
Total Funding Sources	\$	\$80,318.00	\$160,637.00		
Personnel (Fill out section or	nly if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for	Service -	-	-		
Additional Positions Reque	sted -	-	-		



Anticipated Court Date: 9/13/2022

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): 09/15/2022

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

Contact(s) name, title, department: Steve Brewer, Commissioner Precinct 4

Attachments (if applicable): Award, Court Order, Conveyance.