



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 22-5981, **Version:** 1

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**Department:** County Administration

**Department Head/Elected Official:** David Berry, County Administrator

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Grant

**Project ID** (if applicable): The Jacob & Terese Hershey Foundation

**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 Office of County Administration for approval to submit an application to the Jacob & Terese Hershey Foundation for grant funds in the amount of \$75,000, with no required match, for the Harris County Climate Justice and Action Plan Program.

**Background and Discussion:**

The Jacob and Terese Hershey Foundation is a private philanthropic grantmaking foundation dedicated to environmental justice; the health of the public, climate, air, water, and nature; and the interdependent relationship between humans, public parks and open spaces, nature, and the environment. The Foundation primarily supports work in and around the Houston and Austin regions, as well as across Texas on issues of statewide significance.

After an initial Letter of Inquiry was submitted for consideration, the Foundation formally invited OCA to submit a full proposal to request grant funds, which is due on September 30, 2022.

**Expected Impact:**

The potential grant funding would be for \$75,000 to hire a consultant and facilitator who will help ensure that climate equity is centered throughout the planning process and that community members help co-create emissions reduction strategies with meaningful economic, environmental, and social impact.

**Alternative Options:**

Not apply for foundation funding and risk not having a robust community-driven planning process

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- ☐ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☒ Environment
- ☐ Governance and Customer Service

**Prior Court Action (if any):**

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken

**Location:**

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Countywide

**Fiscal and Personnel Summary**

Service Name	Climate Justice and Action Plan		
	SFY 22	FY 23	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$75,000	\$
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>	\$	<b>\$75,000</b>	\$
<b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Existing Budget			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Current Budget</b>	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Grant	\$	\$75,000	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Additional Budget Requested</b>	\$	<b>\$75,000</b>	\$
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	\$	<b>\$75,000</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 Court Date:** 9/27/22

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):**

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

**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Lisa Lin, Director of Sustainability, OCA

**Attachments** (if applicable):