



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 23-2712, **Version:** 1

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**Department:** Public Health Services

**Department Head/Elected Official:** Barbie L. Robinson, MPP, JD, CHC – Executive Director

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Policy

**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 - Project was awarded prior to launch of County's M/WBE Program

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request by Public Health Services for approval of the Order to Abate a public nuisance at multiple locations in Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 under The American Rescue Plan Act-Neighborhood Nuisance Abatement Program, Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Project was awarded prior to launch of County's M/WBE Program.

**Background and Discussion:**

As part of the Clean Streets Safe Neighborhoods initiative, the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) focus area of the Harris County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) portfolio identified proactive neighborhood nuisance abatement as a “quick win” for reducing violent crime and increasing quality of life in vulnerable communities. The Neighborhood Nuisance Abatement program is focused on the abatement of unsafe structures in Harris County neighborhoods that pose a health and safety risk to area residents including children.

**Expected Impact:**

The abatement of the public nuisance will remove public safety and health risks within the community. These abatements are prioritized based on crime and environmental data.

**Alternative Options:**

If Commissioners Court chooses not to approve this order, the nuisance(s) will not be abated.

**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                  |
|------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 02/08/2022 | 132           | Funding for program approved. |

**Location:**

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

**Fiscal and Personnel Summary**

|  |       |       |            |
|--|-------|-------|------------|
| Service Name   |       |       |            |
|  | FY 23 | FY 24 | Next 3 FYs |
| <b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b> |       |       |            |
| Labor Expenditures   | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| Non-Labor Expenditures   | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| <b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| <b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>          |       |       |            |
| Existing Budget  |       |       |            |
|  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
|  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
|  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| Total Current Budget   | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| Additional Budget Requested  |       |       |            |
|  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
|  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
|  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| Total Additional Budget Requested  | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| <b>Total Funding Sources</b>   | \$    | \$    | \$         |
| <b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)                |       |       |            |
| Current Position Count for Service   | -     | -     | -          |
| Additional Positions Requested   | -     | -     | -          |

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|------------------------|---|---|---|
| <b>Total Personnel</b> | - | - | - |
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**Anticipated Court Date:** May 16, 2023

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):** May 16, 2023

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** COVID-19 related item

**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Scott Jeansonne, Director of Environmental Public Health, Public Health Services

**Attachments** (if applicable): Order to Abate a Public Nuisance