

# Harris County, Texas

# **Legislation Text**

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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:** Interlocal Agreement

Project ID (if applicable):

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): The University of Texas Health Science Center

**MWDBE Contracted Goal** (if applicable): **MWDBE Current Participation** (if applicable):

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

# Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request for approval of an interlocal agreement with the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston/School of Public Health to provide environmental toxicology subject matter expertise or health physicist support for assessment of chemical-specific or radiological exposures and mitigation measures in the event of a public health emergency as defined by local, state, or federal governments.

#### **Background and Discussion:**

Harris County Public Health (HCPH) serves as the Health and Medical Liaison and supports public health response for chemical, biological, radiation and nuclear (CBRN) incidents. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health (UTHSC) subject matter expertise in the assistance of HCPH's ability to respond to an unintentional chemical release, radiological, nuclear, or chemical-biological (Chem-Bio) agent incident.

#### **Expected Impact:**

Having the ability to utilize subject matter experts from UTHSC will allow for HCPH to readily assess public health impacts from a CBRN incident.

### **Alternative Options:**

No Alternative options.

## Alignment with Goal(s):

- Justice and Safety
- **Economic Opportunity**
- \_ Housing
- X Public Health

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- \_ 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 Summa	ıry				
Service Name					
·	Current Fis	cal Year Cost	Annual Fiscal Cost		
	Labor	Non-Labor	Total	Recurring Expens	
Funding Sources	•	•		•	
Existing Budget					
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Additional Budget Request ( <i>Requ</i>	ires Fiscal Re	view Request Form)			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Total Additional Budget Request	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Total Funding Request	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Personnel (Fill out section only if re	questing new	PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	<u> </u>	-	-	-	
Additional Positions Request	-	-	-	-	
Total Personnel	-	-	-	-	

Anticipated Court Date: February 27, 2024

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): February 27, 2024

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

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**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Alison Hare, MIA, Interim Director of Public Health Preparedness and Response Division, Public Health Services

Attachments (if applicable): Agreement, Court Order