



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Health and Human Services

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: December 6, 2021

Re: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Program Services Contract for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection Expansion

Executive Summary

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a Program Services Contract between the City of Columbia, Missouri and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhancing Detection (ED) Expansion in the amount of \$946,680 effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023; appropriating funds.

Discussion

The purpose of this agreement is to assist with providing or implementing COVID-19 response activities. Public Health and Human Services will use these funds for continued case investigation and contact tracing; public health surveillance, including data analysis and reporting; and health education and information activities to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

At the September 20, 2021 City Council meeting, Council authorized the conversion of temporary COVID-19 response staff to permanent positions through the end of FY22 to assure continuity of COVID-19 services. Council also authorized an appropriation of \$1,224,034 for the services with \$234,514 coming from an agreement with DHSS with the balance divided between the City (67%) and County (33%).

The funding from this agreement both reduces the appropriation for the City and County and potentially extends COVID-19 personnel resources beyond FY22 if necessary.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: This is grant funding. There is no impact on the general fund.

Long-Term Impact: none.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Safe Neighborhoods, Secondary Impact: Organizational Excellence, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



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Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	This is the first contract with this title.

Suggested Council Action

Should the Council agree with staff recommendations, an affirmative vote is in order.