

# City of Dallas

1500 Marilla Street Council Chambers, 6th Floor Dallas, Texas 75201

# **Legislation Text**

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:** Environmental & Sustainability

AGENDA DATE: August 10, 2022

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

**DEPARTMENT:** Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability

**EXECUTIVE:** M. Elizabeth Cedillo-Pereira

### **SUBJECT**

Authorize the **(1)** first amendment to the contract with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the Whole Air Monitoring Program (Contract No. 582-21-22370, CFDA No. 97.091) to accept additional grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$425,924.25 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency passed through the TCEQ, to continue the Whole Air Monitoring Program for the period September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023; **(2)** receipt and deposit of funds in an amount not to exceed \$425,924.25 in the TCEQ 22-23 Whole Air Monitoring Program Fund; **(3)** establishment of appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$425,924.25 in the TCEQ 22-23 Whole Air Monitoring Program Fund; and **(4)** execution of the contract and all terms, conditions, and documents required by the agreement - Not to exceed \$425,924.25, from \$581,027.03 to \$1,006,951.28 - Financing: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Grant Funds

#### **BACKGROUND**

Since 1967, the City of Dallas has worked with the TCEQ and its predecessor agencies, to support clean air monitoring and enforcement of air quality regulations through a set of renewing contracts for services. There are currently three contracts under which TCEQ funds the City's Ambient Air Monitoring Group to monitor local air quality and also purchase and maintain necessary equipment.

This action addresses Contract No. 582-21-22370 which ensures the monitoring of biological contaminates that could be associated with a bioterrorist attack on Dallas County. The TCEQ supports the Department of Homeland Security National Whole Air Monitoring Network which began in February 2003 in Texas. The TCEQ in turn, contracts with the City to operate the Whole Air Monitoring Network of whole air samplers at various locations throughout Dallas County. Authorization of this contract will allow for the City to accept TCEQ funds for the period of September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023 and enable the City to continue the Whole Air Monitoring Program. TCEQ reimburses the City of Dallas 100 percent of the cost associated to maintain the program.

## PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On August 22, 2018, City Council authorized the acceptance of a grant from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for the Whole Air Monitoring Program for the period of September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2019, by Resolution No. 18-1135.

On August 28, 2019, City Council authorized the first amendment of grant funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency passed through TCEQ (Contract No. 582-19-90030, CFDA No 97.091) to conduct the Whole Air Monitoring Program for the period September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020, by Resolution No. 19-1259.

On August 26, 2020, City Council authorized the third amendment of grant funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency passed through TCEQ (Contract No. 582-19-90030, CFDA No 97.091) to conduct the Whole Air Monitoring Program for the period September 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021, by Resolution No. 20-1247.

On April 28, 2021, City Council authorized the acceptance of a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency passed through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the Whole Air Monitoring Program for the period of May 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022, by Resolution No. 21-0699.

The Environmental Commission was briefed on the City of Dallas Regulated Air Quality Programs on February 11, 2022.

The Environment & Sustainability Committee was briefed on the "Regulatory Air Quality Program" and "Non-Regulatory Air Quality Programs" on March 7, 2022.

#### FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2022	FY 2023	Future Years
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Grant Funds	\$425,924.25	\$0.00	\$0.00