



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Regulatory Services**

Date: May 19, 2006

To: Health and Human Services

Referral to: Ways and Means Committee

Subject: Request for authorization to enter into an Agreement with Hennepin County for delivery of services during the period of a grant from the National Association of County and City Health Officials Advance Practice Center

Recommendation

That your Committee authorize the proper city officials to conclude an Agreement with Hennepin County to perform services as determined by the Goals and Objectives derived from the grant request submitted to the National Association of County and City Health Officials Advance Practice Center in May, 2006; further, that the 2006 Appropriation Resolution be amended by increasing the appropriation for the Department of Inspections in Grant Fund 0300-835-8391 by \$142,358.00 and increasing Revenue Source 0300-835-8391-3210 by \$142,358.00.

Prepared or Submitted by: Curt Fernandez, Manager, Environmental health – Food safety

Approved by:

Lori Olson, Deputy Director, Environmental Management and safety.

Burt T Osborne, Director, Operations, Licenses, and Environmental Management and safety.

Rocco Forte', Assistant City Coordinator,
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Presenters in Committee: Curt Fernandez, Lori Olson

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain): Action is within grant budget
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the
Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information

Since September of 2004, staff of Environmental Health/Food Safety has collaborated with staff of Hennepin County in administering a grant titled *Linking Advance Practice Centers and Local Public Health Agencies*. The grant has been funded by the National Association of County and City Health Officials through a grant from the US Centers for Disease Control. The grant application provided for Ramsey and Hennepin Counties and the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul to plan responses to potential threats to food, water and safety during a disaster or public health emergency.

Hennepin County has recently informed us that they anticipate receiving further funding for this planning via renewal of the APC grant application to the National Association of County and City Health Officials Advance Practice Center. They are requesting that we proceed with a contract so that they can coordinate activities with the grant.

We are requesting that the appropriate officials be authorized to conclude a contract with Hennepin County so that city staff may proceed with the Advance Practice Center grant activities.