



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

**Date:** October 22, 2007

**To:** HEALTH, ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
**Referral to:** WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

**Subject:** MASTER CONTRACT WITH HENNEPIN HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS,  
INC.

**Recommendation:**

Council authorization for the proper City officials to:

1. enter into a three year Master Contract with Hennepin Healthcare Systems, Inc., a non-profit subsidiary of Hennepin County, for the period of January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2010, for an amount not to exceed \$300,000, and
2. issue Fund Availability Notices as project funds become available not to exceed the contract total.

**Previous Directives:** None

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**Approved by:**

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Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

**Permanent Review Committee (PRC):** Approval  Not Applicable \_\_\_\_\_  
**Policy Review Group (PRG)** Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable

**Presenters in Committee:** Becky McIntosh

**Financial Impact (Check those that apply)**

No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

**Background/Supporting Information Attached**

The Department is requesting to enter into a three year Master Contract with Hennepin Healthcare Systems, Inc. In 2006 the State Legislature approved special legislation transferring responsibility for the Hennepin County Medical Center to a public benefit corporation, Hennepin Healthcare Systems, Inc. This change became effective January 1, 2007, and Hennepin Healthcare Systems, Inc. is now a non-profit subsidiary of Hennepin County. The Permanent Review Committee approved a request to waive an RFP process to enter into a Master Contract.

Hennepin Healthcare Systems provides some laboratory services for the City, and periodically funds are provided to their Family Medical Center (FMC) for community clinic services to low income and at risk families in South Minneapolis. As specific project funds become available, generally through competitive processes, Fund Availability Notices (FANs) will be issued as long as the total amount of the Master Contract is not exceeded.