
Sponsor: Public Health

Meeting Date: 12/3/2024

Title: Master Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Health

File Number: 2024-531

Background and Rationale:

Public Health has had a conversation with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) regarding use of the term "Master" when referring to this governing agreement. There are many places throughout the MDH contracting system related to this agreement and other linked agreements which will take time for review and processing.

Ramsey County receives grant funding from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) for numerous public health programs. In an effort to administratively simplify the review of Project Grant Agreements for community health boards, MDH has issued a Master Grant Contract for the period of January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2029.

There is no funding attached to this contract. It serves as the legal foundation for subsequent Project Grant Agreements with community health boards for all MDH grant program funding. The goal of the contract is to streamline the grant process for individual grant projects by incorporating by reference the provisions of this Master Grant Contract. A streamlined process allows Public Health to continue grant funded services without disruption and implement changes to programs that support the scope of the grants.

Project Grant Agreements will be developed for each individual grant program and will contain the program information specific to each grant, and will list the activities, budget, and contact person for the grant.

The current Master Grant Contract expires on December 31, 2024. This agreement is for the next five-year period.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Master Grant Contract with the Minnesota Department of Health for the period January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2029.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Master Grant Contract.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute grants and amendments to the grant agreement in the form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Xiong.

Motion passed.

Aye: - 5: Frethem, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: - 1: McGuire

By: _____



Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County Board