



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: 10/7/2014

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Greg Hamilton, 854-9788

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Consider and take appropriate action on the annual Brown Santa 5K, Decker Challenge and Wellness Fair, Sunday, December 7, 2014.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS: The Wellness Committee and the Brown Santa 5K Race Committee request the same approvals granted by the Commissioners Court and the County Corporations that have been approved for the last ten years. Details are described in the attached memorandum.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Staff recommends approval of the four motions listed in the attached memorandum.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES: Details are described in the attached memorandum.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding from the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation has been earmarked to support the activities of the Wellness Committee. The Wellness Committee requests \$2,668.00 in Corporation funds to pay the hard costs associated with the Wellness Fair. Approval of this payment is being agendized separately as a Corporation agenda item. This amount is made up of the following:

- \$1400.00 for Facility Rental Fees
- \$408.00 for Equipment Rental Fees
- \$860.00 for Custodial Fees

The Race Committee requests that a \$1,000 contingency earmark be approved against the Wellness Budget (Corporation funds) in the event

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sponsor donations fall short of the amount needed to provide event t-shirts and awards for participants at the Dec. 7th event.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS: County Attorney (John Hille) and County Corporations (Andrea Shields)

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WELLNESS



COMMITTEE

TO: Members of the Commissioners Court
Directors of the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation

FROM: Nicole Durand
Chair, Race Committee

SUBJECT: **Travis County Wellness Fair**
Brown Santa Benefit 5K Run/Walk and Decker Challenge Half Marathon

Proposed Motions:

1. Approve payment of up to \$3668.00 from the Wellness Budget in the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation to include payment to the Exposition Center to cover costs associated with the Wellness Fair on December 7, 2014, and related purposes
2. Authorize the Wellness Committee to solicit vendors and sponsors in support of the event
3. Approve airing public service announcement on TCTV-17
4. Encourage Travis County departments and employees to participate in the 5K Walk/Run either by entering the event or volunteering to assist in conducting the race activities

Background and History of this Event:

For the past ten years, the Commissioners Court has authorized the Travis County Wellness Committee to host a Wellness Fair at the Travis County Exposition Center in conjunction with the Decker Challenge Half Marathon and the annual Brown Santa 5K Run/Walk.

Travis County is partnering again with the Austin Runners Club Decker Challenge Half Marathon to host this event. Through this partnership, there is the expectation that participation in both events will be increased. The Wellness Committee hopes that participants in these races will browse the Wellness Fair

exhibits. The Austin Runners Club is providing consultation and guidance in hosting the Brown Santa 5K Run/Walk and sharing costs for the event.

Most other costs associated with the Brown Santa 5K Run/Walk will be paid through other sources, including the Brown Santa organization, the Decker Challenge organization or through the help of sponsors.

Project Brown Santa is a community service of the Travis County Sheriff's Office and the many sponsors and volunteers who make it happen each year. The Brown Santa Program helps over 1,000 underprivileged families in rural Travis County and residents of a local retirement center. New toys and stuffed animals are donated and passed along to thousands of children in need. Brown Santa also accepts non-perishable food items that later become holiday meals for families during the Christmas Season. The Brown Santa 5K Run/Walk was the single largest source of funds for the Brown Santa program last year.

Required Authorizations:

County Attorney: John Hille

County Corporations: Andrea Shields

cc: Roger El Khoury