Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: October 28, 2014
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Sponsoring Court Members: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:
Consider and take appropriate action to relocate Wellness Clinic from University Savings Building, 2nd floor, to 700 Lavaca Building, 9th floor.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST:
The Wellness Clinic is located on the 2nd floor of the University Savings Building (USB) at 1010 Lavaca Street which has accessibility limitation and layout issues. Currently, the access to Wellness Clinic is either through the Counseling and Education Services Intake Office or up the exterior stairs to the 2nd floor. In addition, the Wellness Clinic's layout for the waiting and reception area is small and does not project a needed patient privacy. The current space at USB, 2nd floor, is 3,100 Square Feet (SF). A major renovation is needed to correct the deficiencies in the current location of the Wellness Clinic layout but the accessibility limitation will continue to exist.

A lease of 3,200 SF to a current private tenant located on the 9th floor of 700 Lavaca Building will expire at the end of July 31, 2015.

The relocation of the Wellness Clinic from USB, 2nd floor to 700 Lavaca Building, the 9th floor, will solve both the accessibility and the layout issues.

The Facilities Management Department (FMD) staff will program and design the Wellness Clinic space at 700 Lavaca 9th floor in FY15. Renovation of the 9th floor of the 700 Lavaca Building will take place the first quarter of FY16 and the Wellness Clinic staff would move in January 2016. FMD has been collaborating with the Human Resources Management Department (HRMD) and HRMD supports this request.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:
The Facilities Management Department recommends the approval of relocating the Wellness Clinic from the USB, 2nd floor, to the 700 Lavaca Building, 9th floor.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:
The relocation of the Wellness Clinic from USB 2nd floor to 700 Lavaca Building, 9th floor, will

- Eliminate the accessibility limitation,
- Improve the waiting and reception areas
- Increase patient privacy
- Provide larger exam rooms
- Provide appropriate office space for the doctors and staff.

The new space at 700 Lavaca Building, 9th floor, will provide adequate space to meet the Wellness Clinic's needs of 2035 projection.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:
FY15 = None
FY16 = the renovation cost will be submitted in FY16 budget.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:
N/A