

**City Council
Agenda Memo**



**City Council
Meeting Date: October 24, 2013**

TO: Larry D. Gilley, City Manager
FROM: James W. Childers, Director of Community Services Department
SUBJECT: Influenza Vaccine Purchase

GENERAL INFORMATION: The Abilene/Taylor County Health District orders Influenza vaccinations annually to support the Health District's clinics. 2,900 doses of vaccine were ordered for the fall of 2013 based on historical data at a cost of \$53,775.40.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS: Influenza vaccine is developed and produced each year based on the number of doses ordered by providers intending to administer the vaccine. The vaccine must be requested in the spring of each year for distribution prior to "flu season" in fall and winter of that year. The Health District booked requests in the spring for doses of vaccine (Fluzone Quadrivalent and High-Dose) from Sanofi-Pasteur. The price of the vaccine this year is \$53,775.40, including the federal excise tax. This is an annual purchase that has been made in the recent years without City Council approval because the cost of the order remained under \$50,000. This year's order will require Council authorization due to the increased costs of the vaccine.

This particular vaccine was ordered because it can be used to vaccinate all age groups. No other vaccine manufacturer produces a vaccine which can be used for all age groups, thus several different vaccine purchases would need to be made if other vaccine brands were used. Sanofi Pasteur has assured the Health District that it can provide the entire order of doses requested.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT: This item is cost neutral since fees charged to individuals and/or Medicare will offset the cost of the vaccine.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: The Health District recommends approval of an oral resolution authorizing the purchase of doses of vaccine from Sanofi-Pasteur at the price of \$53,775.40.

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

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Disposition by City Council

- Approved Ord/Res# _____
 Denied
 Other

City Secretary