



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Patti McLaughlin, City Manager

FROM: Christina Bervaldi, Interim Finance Director

DATE: January 7, 2022

SUBJECT: Approving the allocation of an additional \$50,000 to the Florida Keys AHEC in support of free testing for COVID-19 for local residents, students, and members of the workforce.

Action Statement:

Authorization of the City Manager to work with the City Attorney to prepare and execute an addendum to the existing Memorandum of Understanding with the Florida Keys AHEC for the allocation of an additional \$50,000 for the free testing for COVID-19 for local residents, students, and members of the workforce or to prepare and execute a new Memorandum of Understanding with the Florida Keys AHEC for the allocation of an additional \$50,000 for the free testing for COVID-19 for local residents, students, and members of the workforce.

Background:

In January of 2021, a five-part plan, referred to as the Stop-Gap Measure COVID-19 Support Proposal, was presented to the City Commission. This proposal was drafted by the Health and Business Advisory Committee, the Key West Chamber of Commerce and the Nonprofit Community of Key West, and their Inter-Ministerial Alliance and it suggested that the City authorize funds in the amount of \$171,250 to the Florida Keys AHEC to administer Free Rapid Testing for the City's residents, students, and members of the local workforce. The City Commission granted via voice consensus the authority to the City Manager to allocate the funds to AHEC at that time.

Seeing an additional benefit and need in the community, in August of 2021, the City Manager authorized an additional \$50,000 (below the purchasing threshold) for the purpose of providing additional free COVID-19 testing for residents, students, and members of the workforce. In October of 2021 via Resolution 21-200, an additional \$50,000 was allocated for a total of a \$100,000.

Key to the Caribbean – Average yearly temperature 77° F.

MEMORANDUM

The City of Key West has, to date, authorized a total of \$271,250 to be allocated to the Florida Keys AHEC for the support of providing a free testing program for the City's residents, students, and members of the workforce. With the approval of this additional \$50,000 allocation, the total funds allocated will be brought to a total of \$321,250.

Financial Impact:

Funds have not been budgeted for the FY2021-2022 year; however, the expenditure will be eligible for reimbursement via the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA). Upon City Commission approval, the funds will be expended from account 001-1900-519-8200 and be reimbursed via ARPA grant funding.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to work with the City Attorney to prepare and execute an addendum to the existing Memorandum of Understanding, or to prepare and execute a new Memorandum of Understanding for the allocation of an additional \$50,000 for the testing for COVID-19 for local residents, students, and members of the workforce as well as granting the City Manager the authority to establish the necessary budget amendments(s) for this purpose.