
City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Fire
FROM: K.T. Freeman, Fire Chief
MEETING: September 6, 2022

SUBJECT:

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the discontinuation of services provided by the Burleson Public Health Authority. (*Staff Presenter: K.T. Freeman, Fire Chief*)

SUMMARY:

The Burleson Public Health Authority was created in April 2020 to help fill a gap due to a lack of availability to provide critical services needed to help combat the public health crisis caused by COVID 19. Over the last two years, Burleson Public Health (BPH) has served the needs of the community at large and citizens of Burleson, by providing medical & social services in a compassionate, effective, and efficient manner that has helped to save lives and improve the quality of life within our community. Based on current and consistent trends, demand for the services provided by Burleson Public Health continues to decline. The decline in services needed to be provided by BPH is due to the current ability of the Private and Public Health provider's ability to meet the demands for COVID like services needed for testing, vaccines, and medical treatment. With this in mind, and since BPH is no longer in a position to provide the most cost effective options, staff is recommending that services provided by Burleson Public Health be discontinued effective October 28, 2022.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve as presented
- 2) Approve with changes
- 3) Deny

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends for Council to discontinue services of the Burleson Public Health Authority.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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