



MEETING DATE: April 14, 2026

PRESENTED BY: Steven Kotsatos, Director of Health, Code Enforcement and Animal Services

AGENDA ITEM: Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with UTRGV COS School of Integrative Biological and Chemical Sciences Center for Vector-Borne Disease Program Agreement - Kotsatos

NATURE OF REQUEST:

The Mission Health Department is seeking authorization to enter into an agreement with UTRGV COS School of Integrative Biological and Chemical Science Center for Vector – Borne Disease Internship. This university–city internship program will focus on mosquito vector control and will involve hands-on public health and environmental science experience where students work alongside our city health department / mosquito vector control district) to understand and manage mosquito populations. The goal is to give them real-world experience while helping the city reduce mosquito-borne disease risks (like West Nile virus, dengue, or Zika).

BUGETED: N/A **FUND:** N/A **ACCT. #:** N/A

BUDGET: \$ N/A **EST. COST:** \$ N/A **CURRENT BUDGET BALANCE:** \$ N/A

BID AMOUNT: \$ _____

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

Departmental Approval: N/A

Advisory Board Recommendation: N/A

City Manager’s Recommendation: Approval *AG*

RECORD OF VOTE: **APPROVED:** _____

DISAPPROVED: _____

TABLED: _____

_____ AYES

_____ NAYS

_____ DISSENTING _____