Department Source: Public Health and Human Services

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: January 2, 2018

Re: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services / Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL) OpenELIS Web Portal

Executive Summary

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Columbia and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services allowing the Department of Public Health and Human Services to have secure access to the Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL) OpenELIS Web Portal.

Discussion

This agreement allows Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) staff to have access to the State Public Health Laboratory’s web-based system for reporting laboratory testing results. This access is needed so PHHS staff can receive timely notification of testing results for diseases of public health significance. This allows staff to quickly intervene and investigate the source of the infection, then mitigate any further spread of the infection. Examples of diseases that are reported through this system include mumps, sexually-transmitted infections, shigella, E. coli infections, HIV, etc.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None. There is no funding associated with this MOU.

Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/city-manager/)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/community_development/comprehensive_plan/documents/ColumbiaImagined-FINAL.pdf)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

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| Date | Action |
| 2018 | This is the first year for this MOU. |

Suggested Council Action

Should the Council agree with staff recommendations, an affirmative vote is in order.