

City of Detroit

CITY COUNCIL

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CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Denise Fair Razo, Chief Public Health Officer, Detroit Health Department

FROM: City Council President Mary Sheffield

DATE: March 24, 2023

RE: Detroit Health Department Budget Questions FY23-24

1. One of your strategic goals is to value high performing employees – how will this be done differently in FY2024 than previous years?
2. Please provide additional details on Community Violence Intervention line item. How will the Health Department be overseeing this initiative? Please share more details on this program.
3. The Health Department is tasked with performing health inspections on licensed restaurants. Please provide a report of all restaurant inspections performed in 2022, including whether the inspections were done before the deadline. Your budget shows a decrease of 3 employees in this department. Is the budget allocation for Food Service Code Enforcement adequate?
4. Your department has several programs that our residents desperately need but may not be aware of. Programs such as HAPI for those with HIV, family planning services, opioid overdose prevention, etc. Please share all outreach efforts made to inform residents of services that are available to them. How are you reaching our non-digital residents?
5. Please provide a summary explanation of grant expenditures. What are the itemized costs of the grant process? What is the total expected grant match requirement for FY2024?
6. There is a proposed increase of 99 FTE positions. Please share details on this increase.

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7. What new efforts are being made around animal control in the coming year? There is an increase of 18 FTE for Animal Control in the FY2024 proposed position detail.
8. How many staffing vacancies does your department currently have? What have been the obstacles to filling these positions?
9. Please share how the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Plan has evolved over the past three years.