2018-2019 BUDGET QUESTION

Response to Request for Information

DEPARTMENT: Austin Transportation

REQUEST NO.: 120

REQUESTED BY: Alter

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REQUEST: Please explain why the Transportation User Fee is paying for mobility corridor staff

and lease costs.

RESPONSE: The Corridor Program Office (CPO) was added to the Mobility Fund in FY 2017-18; the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) utilized available fund balance to provide fiscal support for CPO in the current fiscal year. The primary focus of CPO is managing the successful implementation of the \$482 million Corridor Mobility Program funded via the 2016 Mobility Bond Program.

The transportation user fee (TUF) is the primary funding source for transportation operations and investment for the City of Austin and is the funding source for a majority of the programs within Austin Transportation including the Corridor Program. Therefore, being that CPO is on point for the Corridor Program, the TUF is the most appropriate funding source for their operations.