## Communications and Technology Management

Item No. 12

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City and Travis

County Emergency Services District #2 to purchase radio dispatch equipment as part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007 Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program, in an amount not to exceed \$29,999, the required City grant match.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Budget of Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management, Wireless Division.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached

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RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Emergency Services District #2 (ESD # 2) submitted an application under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Fiscal Year 2006 Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) for funds to acquire interoperable radio equipment for ESD #2, various Travis County Emergency Services Districts, and the Austin Fire Department.

These emergency service providers will be able to communicate and cooperate with each other across Travis County if interoperable radio equipment is used.

The Department of Homeland Security approved the ESD #2's Assistance to Firefighter Grant application on December 27, 2006 in the amount of \$1,076,394 ("Grant"), with grant funds allocated to these entities for the purchase of interoperable radio equipment. ESD #2, the Grant recipient and fiscal agent, has written approval from the Department of Homeland Security to disburse Grant funds for the purchase and transfer of radio dispatch equipment to the City, provided the City reimburses the ESD #2 for the City's Grant match not to exceed \$29,999. ESD #2 will purchase radio dispatch equipment for the City in the amount of \$149,994 with \$119,995 AFG grant funds.