Thursday, October 11, 2007

## Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 26

**Subject:** Approve a resolution authorizing the negotiation and execution a Multiple Use Agreement between the City of Austin and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for bike paths to be constructed in TxDOT's Highway 183 right of way in the vicinity of the Montopolis Bridge.

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**Prior Council Action:** \* 07/15/99 Council approved list of City of Austin Transportation Enhancement Applications

- \* 10/26/00 Council approved an Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT for the Austin Crosstown Bikeway (later renamed the Lance Armstrong Bikeway) awarded by the Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program in the amount of \$3,203,163
- \* 09/29/2005 Council authorized a Multiple Use Agreement with TxDOT for a section of the Lance Armstrong Bikeway that runs under IH-35.

This Multiple Use Agreement will address the construction, maintenance and operation of the Lance Armstrong Bikeway in the TxDOT right of way from Shady Lane to the Montopolis Bridge. It will also cover a bike path connection at the south end of the Montopolis Bridge that will be constructed to establish a connection to the Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park.

The City of Austin will construct both bike trails and be responsible for the maintenance of them. TxDOT requires this agreement to be in place prior to any construction activities in their right of way. The Lance Armstrong Bikeway is funded 38% by City 1998 bond funds and 62% TxDOT grant funds. The project at the south end of the Montopolis Bridge is funded with Capital Metro quarter cent funds.