

Thursday, February 14, 2008

## Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 19

**Subject:** Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Police Department Operating Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20070910-003 to appropriate \$145,552 to support the Austin/Travis County Combined Gang Project and to create one full-time equivalent position for this Project with funding provided under the U.S. Department of Justice Fiscal Year 2007 Gang Prevention Coordination Project.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available from the U.S. Department of Justice and is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Special Revenue Fund of the Austin Police Department. No match is required.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: September 10, 2007

The U.S. Department of Justice awarded \$200,000 in grant funding to the City of Austin for work on the Austin/Travis County Combined Gang Project. This council action would allow the city to amend Ordinance No. 20070910-003 the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 operating budget, Police Department Special Revenue Fund, by adding 1 FTE to support the Austin/Travis County Combined Gang Project.

Of the \$200,000 budget, \$145,552 is allocated for a Gang Coordinator position. The Gang Coordinator will work with the Austin/Travis County Joint Juvenile Gang Unit to combat gang activity and provide gang awareness and education in an eleven school area in East Austin.