Thursday, December 18, 2008

Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 43

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the extension of line of duty injury leave at full pay for Austin Police Department Detective Randy Dear.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget for the Police Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: APD Chief of Staff, David Carter/974-5030

In accordance with Local Government Code, Section 143.073, a municipality shall provide a leave of absence, with full pay, for an injury related to the person's line of duty for up to one year. At the end of the one-year period, the City Council may extend the injury leave at full or reduced pay. APD is requesting an extension of line of duty injury leave at full pay for Detective Randy Dear for up to a 12-month period.

Detective Randy Dear injured his knee in the line of duty on November 17, 2007 after executing a search warrant. After three (3) surgeries to repair the knee proved unsuccessful, Detective Dear had a total knee replacement on September 24, 2008. Detective Dear's injury leave time is set to expire on December 28, 2008. A 12-month extension will provide Detective Dear with additional time to recover from his surgery.