

AGENDA



Thursday, December 18, 2008

**Transportation
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 65**

Subject: Approve an ordinance accepting \$30,000 in grant funds from the Austin Chamber of Commerce; amending the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Public Works Department Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20080908-002 to transfer \$30,000 to the Public Works Department Capital Budget; and amending the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Public Works Department Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20080908-003 to appropriate \$30,000 to develop an annual traffic count program and a traffic data gathering report.

Amount and Source of Funding: The total grant amount of \$30,000 will be provided by the Austin Chamber of Commerce. This grant does not require any local match.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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The grant money will be used to develop an annual traffic count program that allows for the ongoing collection of traffic volumes, classification of primary traffic corridors by vehicle type, and quantification of annual growth trends over time. The grant money will also be used to develop a traffic data gathering report that will serve as the annual traffic count data report for Central Austin.

The proposed study area will include a portion of Austin bounded by MoPac Expressway on the west, I-35 on the east, Riverside Drive/Barton Springs Road on the south and approximately Dean Keaton Street on the north.

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.