

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 51

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County to accept and administer the 2009 Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) on behalf of the City of Austin and the Travis County Sheriffs Office.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$466,492 is available from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Justice Assistance Grant Program. Related to Item #52.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

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

This action would authorize the City of Austin to enter into an agreement with Travis County through which the City of Austin would accept and administer the 2009 Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) on behalf of the City of Austin and the Travis County Sheriff's Office

(TCSO). Funding in the amount of \$466,492 is available from the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Justice Assistance Program. The Interlocal Agreement will remain in effect for the

period October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2012.

From the total grant allotment, the City of Austin will receive \$366,492, and Travis County will receive \$100,000. The City of Austin and Travis County will enter into this Interlocal Agreement so the City can serve as the fiscal agent for the JAG grant funding. The City of Austin will use its portion of the grant funding for one-time equipment purchases including less lethal weapons (tasers) and speed detecting radars.