Thursday, July 23, 2009

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 57

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County to establish the Capital Area Pavement Engineering Council; and allocate \$40,300 for the City of Austin's initial participation, including a \$300 annual membership fee to cover administrative costs, for a total amount not to exceed \$40,300.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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The purpose of this interlocal agreement is to establish the Capital Area Pavement Engineering Council (CAPEC). The primary purpose of CAPEC is to develop a new pavement design procedure and street construction standards for Austin and the surrounding area to be adopted by each of the participating agencies. In the long term this group intends to update and maintain the design procedures and investigate other topics of mutual interest such as pavement management, street maintenance and street construction. The agencies interested in joining CAPEC immediately are the City of Austin, Travis County, Williamson County, Pflugerville, Georgetown and Buda. Others that have expressed an interest include Bastrop County, Hays County, Bexar County, Round Rock, Hutto and Taylor.

The development of a new pavement design procedure will be conducted by a consultant selected by Travis County's selection process and managed by CAPEC. Financial participation by each agency is apportioned by an average of the relative population and lane miles of roadway percentages. The preliminary estimate for the consultant services is \$450,000. The proposed funding breakdown is shown in the following table for the currently participating agencies. Additionally, each entity is required to pay an annual membership fee of \$300. Approval of the proposed consulting services is not a part of this interlocal agreement and will be requested at a later date.

Agency	Percentage	e Cost Share
Austin	 56%	\$252,000
Williamson Cou	nty 21%	\$94,500
Travis County	17%	\$76,500
Georgetown	3%	\$13,500
Pflugerville	2%	\$9,000
Buda	1%	\$4,500
Total		\$450,000