

AGENDA



Thursday, April 8, 2010

**Police
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 11**

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the application of renewal grant funding in the amount of \$406,900 from the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority for the APD Auto Burglary and Theft Interdiction Project.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority, for the grant period September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011. There is a required match of 20%(\$101,725) which will be met by accounting for the salaries of existing city-funded detectives assigned to the project.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Assistant Chief David Carter/974-5030

Prior Council Action: August 27, 2009 - City Council approved an ordinance accepting \$1008 in renewal grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority.

The goal of this project is to reduce incidents of auto burglaries and thefts in the City of Austin. Several strategies are employed to meet this goal including investigation, enforcement, prevention, education and prosecution. If awarded, funds will be used to continue the salaries of five existing grant-funded FTEs (two civilians and three detectives) at \$392,174; travel for training purposes at \$10,000; and, project supplies at \$4,726. There is a required match of 20% (\$101,725) which will be met by accounting for the salaries of existing city-funded detectives assigned to the project (\$100,451) and project supplies (\$1,274).

Funding for this grant program is generated by the \$1.00 per motor vehicle fee paid each year by residents when they purchase car insurance.