

AGENDA



Thursday, June 24, 2010

**Transportation
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 70**

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to activate an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project for the installation of approximately 200 uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems at intersections throughout the City of Austin; and approve an ordinance accepting \$611,419 in grant funds and amending the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Austin Transportation Department Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20090914-002 and the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Austin Transportation Department Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20090914-003 to transfer and appropriate grant funds.

Amount and Source of Funding: The total grant amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 will be provided by the Texas Department of Transportation. Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department to provide the \$75,000 administrative costs as required by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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The scope of work for this ARRA project consists of the purchase and installation of approximately 200 UPS systems at intersections throughout the City of Austin. The UPS systems are designed to allow a traffic signal to continue operating in the event of a power failure. Continued operation of traffic signals during power outages prevent the increase in emissions, fuel consumption and delay that typically occurs during a power failure.