

AGENDA



Thursday, September 23, 2010

**Fleet Services
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 26**

Subject: Approve an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of grant funds from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, State Energy Conservation Office, and amending the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Financial and Administrative Services Department-Fleet Services Division Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20090914-002 to appropriate \$100,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in a maximum amount of \$100,000 is available from the Comptroller of Public Accounts, State Energy Conservation Office. The grant period is from date of contract execution through May 31, 2011.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Gerry Calk, Fleet Officer 974-1541, Will O'Connor, Vehicle Acquisitions Manager 927-3297.

MBE/WBE: Related to Item #25.

Prior Council Action: On April 29, 2010, Council approved the purchase of multiple hybrid vehicles to replace older vehicles and improve regional air quality. These vehicles have been purchased. The City's Financial and Administrative Services Department-Fleet Services Division submitted a grant application to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, State Energy Conservation Office, to reimburse the City for a portion of this purchase.

This action authorizes Fleet Services to accept grant funds from the Comptroller's Office as reimbursement for a portion of funds spent by the City to purchase hybrid vehicles. The City's cost to purchase twenty (20) hybrid vehicles was \$570,705.19. Grant funding of up to \$100,000 is available from the Comptroller as reimbursement for the purchase of these vehicles and for certain reports and data to be provided to the grantor by Fleet Services. The twenty (20) hybrids replaced twenty (20) older City vehicles with lower emissions standards that have been inspected by Fleet and determined to meet replacement criteria. Fleet Services has worked with the Austin Climate Protection Team in establishing a hierarchy of vehicle and fuel purchases to help in achieving our clean air goals. This grant supports Fleet's ongoing efforts of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020.