

AGENDA



Thursday, December 9, 2010

**Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 29**

Subject: Approve an ordinance authorizing execution of an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Austin and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) for award of \$500,000 in Safe Routes to School funds to construct sidewalks near Metz and Blanton Elementary Schools and Pearce Middle School; accepting grant funds in the amount of \$500,000 from the Texas Department of Transportation; amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20100913-002 to appropriate \$500,000 in Safe Route to School funds; and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Public Works Department Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20100913-003 to transfer in \$500,000 from the Public Works Department Special Revenue Fund for sidewalks.

Amount and Source of Funding: The total grant amount of \$500,000 will be provided by TXDOT. The required \$522,211 local match is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Prior Council Action: March 5, 2009 - Council adopted the 2008 Sidewalk Master Plan for the City of Austin.

This grant from TXDOT will provide for the installation of the sidewalks along the east side of Robert T. Martinez, Jr. Drive from Willow Drive to Canterbury Lane, both sides of Northeast Drive from Auburn Road to Manor Road, and the south side of Wellington Road from Rogge Lane to Gaston Place. These sidewalks will provide a safe pedestrian route to serve Metz and Blanton Elementary School, and Pearce Middle School.