Thursday, March 24, 2011

Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 23

Subject: Approve an ordinance accepting \$181,973 in grant funds from the State of Texas, Office of Governor, Criminal Justice Division; and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20100913-002) to appropriate \$181,973 for the Austin Police Department project entitled Assistance to Female Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$181,973 is available in a grant from the State of Texas, Office of Governor, Criminal Justice Division, S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women Recovery Act (VAWA Recovery Act) Program. A cash match is not required. The grant period is from March 1, 2011 - June 30, 2011.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is required.

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Assistance to Female Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault recovery funds will be used to build the capacity of the department to provide services to adult female victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence. Funds will 1) allow for the purchase of equipment and supplies; 2) be used to send investigators and counselors to in and out-of-state training; and 3) to locally host training for local and regional law enforcement.