CIP BUDGET EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

4/7/11 Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Approve a resolution authorizing the Parks and Recreation Department's application for up to \$1,000,000 in grant funding from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Outdoor Urban Recreation Grant Program to improve facilities and resources at Auditorium Shores.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Project Name: Auditorium Shores

Project Authorization: 2010-2011 Capital Budget

Fund/Dept/Unit: 2006 GO Bonds Fund/Dept/Unit: 8603 8607 6350

 Current Budget
 1,333,047

 Unencumbered Balance
 1,023,386

 This Action
 (1,000,000)

 Estimated Available
 23,386

ANALYSIS / **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** The City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) is fully eligible to receive assistance under the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) Outdoor Urban Recreation Grant Program. In order to apply for this grant, TPWD requires that Council approve this resolution acknowledging its awareness and approval of PARD's application.

By this action, Council will authorize PARD to file a grant application for up to \$1,000,000 with the TPWD for this Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant. The City will match 100% of all granted funds.

If granted, funding will be used to improve Auditorium Shores in the City of Austin for use as a park. Auditorium Shores is dedicated for public park and recreational purposes in perpetuity.

PARD is requesting that council authorize the City Manager or his designee to represent and act for the City in conjunction with this grant application.

A copy of the grant application will be submitted to the Capital Area Council of Governments Texas Review and Comment System before submission to the TPWD.

All Department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.