

CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

5/26/11
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SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to an Interlocal Agreement with the University of North Texas for a native vegetation restoration project to be conducted in Lake Austin and Lady Bird Lake for prevention of invasive riparian plant growth in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$525,000.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:	Watershed
Project Name:	Austin Lakes - Plant Cntrl
Fund/Department/Unit:	4850-6307-5019
Funding Source:	Watershed
Current Appropriation:	519,391.00
Unencumbered Balance:	31,844.75
Amount of This Action:	<u>(30,000.00)</u>
Remaining Balance:	<u>1,844.75</u>

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: On March 2, 2005, the City entered into the Interlocal Agreement with the University of North Texas for a program to establish native aquatic plant founder colonies to provide habitat for fish and other aquatic wildlife, to maintain benefits of improved water quality associated with aquatic vegetation, to reduce re-infestation of hydrilla in Lake Austin, and to reduce the likelihood of infestation of hydrilla in Lady Bird Lake. Six previously approved amendments to the Interlocal Agreement have expanded the program, adding more founder colonies, and expanding, monitoring and managing existing colonies.

These founder colonies of native plants have been successfully established at all sites and have shown initial spread beyond the enclosures. Increased growth and spread has been seen at sites with larger pens, which will help target efforts in the future as the City continues work to enhance native plant communities in Lake Austin and Lady Bird Lake.