CIP FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

7/28/11 Public Works

SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance authorizing the negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Austin and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) awarding \$300,000 to prepare plans, determine right of way and perform environmental clearance work for Phase II, Section 1 "Violet Crown Trail;" accepting grant funds in the amount of \$300,000 from the Texas Department of Transportation; amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20100913-002) to appropriate \$300,000; and amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20100913-003) to transfer in and appropriate \$300,000 from the Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:Public WorksProject Name:Violet Crown TrailFund/Department/Unit:8181 6207 8201Funding Source:2010 GO Bonds P1 Ped/ADA/Bike

Current Appropriation:2,311,400.00Unencumbered Balance:2,304,356.00Amount of This Action:(117,000.00)Remaining Balance:2,187,356.00

ref: 8181 6207 8288

Project Name: Violet Crown Trail Fund/Department/Unit: 8950 6207 NEW Funding Source: TxDOT Grant

Current Appropriation:0.00Unencumbered Balance:0.00Amount of This Action:300,000.00Remaining Balance:300,000.00

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This Advance Funding agreement will allow the City to use Federal Earmark Funds to prepare plans, determine right of way and perform environmental clearance work for Phase II, Section 1 of the "Walk for a Day Vision Trail" on the Capital Area Trail System in the City of Austin. The "Walk for a Day Trail," now known as the "Violet Crown Trail" will begin at Barton Springs Pool in Zilker Park and wind more than 30 miles south into Hays County. The trail system will provide a unique opportunity to align business, conservation, education, and recreational interests to benefit the entire community. The trail will serve as both a recreational and transportation amenity to the region.