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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	8014	Agenda Number	69.
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Meeting Date:	8/18/2011	Department:	Watershed Protection
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Subject

Approve negotiation and execution of a twelve (12) month Interlocal Agreement with the AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (AISD) for the provision of transportation services for students participating in the City's Earth Camp program for fiscal year 2011-2012 not to exceed an amount of \$26,000, with five additional one-year extension options, each in an amount not to exceed \$26,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$156,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

\$2,167 (one month) is included in the 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection Department. The balance of \$153,833 is contingent on approval of the Proposed 2011-2012 budget and the availability of funding in future budgets for the extension options.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Susan Wall, 974-6571; Jessica Wilson, 974-2446.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Earth Camp is a water quality field study program for fifth-grade elementary school students attending Title I schools in the Austin Independent School District. The Interlocal Agreement will continue Earth Camp transportation services that have been provided by AISD to the City for the past 13 years. Using their school buses, AISD will bill at a rate of approximately \$20.00 per hour for locations within AISD district boundaries, and at a rate of up to \$20.00 per hour plus \$1.60 per mile for locations outside of AISD district boundaries.

Earth Camp students are transported between their schools and various Earth Camp sites throughout the City for 20 hours per week for 30 weeks. Earth Camp sites to be visited include Blunn Creek Nature Preserve, Bull Creek Preserve, Walnut Creek Metro Park, St. Edwards Park, McKinney Falls State Park, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, Barton Springs, and the Green Classroom at Becker Elementary School.