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Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Austin and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) in an amount not to exceed $2,000,000 in Federal Funds for construction of a bicycle and pedestrian bridge over Loop 360 at MoPac; amending the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20110912-005) to appropriate $2,000,000; and amending the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20110912-006) to transfer in and appropriate $2,000,000 from the Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund for the construction of a bicycle and pedestrian bridge over Loop 360 at MoPac.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

The total grant amount of $2,000,000 will be provided by TXDOT. The required $500,000 local match is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing Language:**

**Prior Council Action:** June 11, 2009, Council approved the Bicycle Master Plan.

**For More Information:** Annick Beaudet, 974-6505; Chad Crager, 974-3570; Susan Garnett, 974-7064

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**Additional Backup Information**
The purpose of this Advance Funding Agreement is to accept funds to construct Phase I of the Mopac Bicycle & Pedestrian Bridge; a grade separated structure over Loop 360 between Tuscan Terrace and the Twin Falls Barton Creek Greenbelt Access (all 3 phases are shown on the project map). This project will connect directly to Phase II of the Mopac Bicycle & Pedestrian Bridge project which includes the conversion of an existing shoulder on Mopac to a southbound auxiliary lane (between the Loop 360 entrance ramp and the Southwest Parkway exit ramp) and the construction of a bicycle and pedestrian bridge over Barton Creek at Mopac. This project will provide bicycle and pedestrian accommodation for users of all abilities and contribute to the creation of a multi-modal connection from southwest Austin to downtown Austin.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department.