

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	23677	Agenda Number	13.
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Meeting Date:	5/9/2013	Department:	Library
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## Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$15,000 in grant funds from the Institute for Museum and Library Services and amending the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Library Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20120910-001) to appropriate \$15,000 to implement an enhanced internet presence by developing a mobile-friendly library catalog and website.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available from the Institute for Museum and Library Services through a grant to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The grant period is April 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	September 10, 2012 – Council approved the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013; Ordinance No.20120910-001
For More Information:	Susan Soy, Library Development Administrator, 974-7388, Victoria Rieger, Library Financial Manager, 974-7446.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

This \$15,000 grant award from the Institute for Museum and Library Services supports the Austin Public Library in implementing an enhanced internet presence through a mobile accessible catalog, mobile accessible website, and mobile applications.

This funding provides the Austin Public Library the opportunity to establish a mobile presence and make the library more accessible and useful to a larger segment of our customer base. Circulation of digital materials that can be read from a Smartphone or mobile device is rapidly increasing. This grant will help provide mobile access to the Austin Public Library online services, including capabilities to place holds, renew items, and interact with the library catalog.

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.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.