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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	31698	Agenda Number	14.
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Meeting Date:	4/10/2014	Department:	Austin Police Department
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for \$601,778 in grant funding from the Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority to implement the Austin Police Department Auto Burglary and Theft Interdiction Project.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$601,778 is available from the Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority for the project period of September 1, 2014 – August 31, 2015. The City match of \$150,568, approximately 25% of the ABTPA grant request, will be met by accounting for the base salary of existing City positions.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	The City Council last approved acceptance of this grant funding at the August 22, 2013 meeting - Item # 38.
For More Information:	Troy Gay, Assistant Chief 974-5030
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This action will provide the resolution required by the Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA) to apply for \$601,778 in grant funding. The resolution approved by Council must be attached to the City of Austin grant application, which is due May 1, 2014.

The budget for the September 1, 2014 – August 31, 2015 project period includes: personnel (\$346,339), travel costs for training purposes (\$10,000), equipment (\$234,579), and supplies (\$10,860). Personnel items include base salaries of the following currently positions of which the (2) civilian FTEs are grant-funded: Detectives (3), Neighborhood Liaison (1), and Administrative Assistant (1). The City match of \$150,568 (approximately 25% of the total project cost) will be met by accounting for the base salary of existing City positions.

The Austin Police Department has partnered with the Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority since the late 1990's. With the grant assistance provided through ABTPA, the APD Auto Burglary and Theft

Interdiction Project has been successful in implementing a variety of strategies to reduce auto thefts, recover stolen vehicles, and prosecute offenders. In addition, between September 2013 and February 2014, the grant funded APD Neighborhood Liaison delivered 80 presentations at community events, trained 308 officers and police cadets, and conducted outreach through various local media outlets on 98 occasions.