

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	74133	Agenda Number	23.
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Meeting Date:	8/31/2017	Department:	Austin Police Department
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of grant funding from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division to implement the Austin Police Department project entitled the Austin Police Department Coverdell Project.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, Coverdell National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act Fund for the project period of January 1 – September 30, 2018. A match is not required.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	August 11, 2016
For More Information:	Troy Gay, Assistant Chief, Austin Police Department (512)-974-5030
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This action will provide the required resolution needed by the Criminal Justice Division to complete the award process related to \$94,100 in grant funding. The project period is January 1 – September 30, 2018. Coverdell funding will allow the City to provide overtime funds for forensic analysts to complete non-DNA casework and to purchase non-DNA equipment and supplies for the APD Crime Lab.

This is the fourteenth year of this project. APD anticipates that Coverdell funds will allow for approximately 1,200 hours of analysts overtime, with over 600 pieces of evidence processed.

The grantor requires a resolution approved by council that addresses items one through four below.

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to CJD that clearly

- identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
 3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update CJD should the official change during the grant period.); and
 4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD.