



**Interlocal Agreement
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.: 17
AGENDA DATE: Thu 01/08/2004
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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for a High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Study.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$160,000 is available from TxDOT in Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) 4C funds and is included in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Amended Capital Budget of the Transportation, Planning & Sustainability Department.. The City's match is \$40,000; funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2001-2002 Amended Capital Budget of the Transportation, Planning & Sustainability Department.

FISCAL NOTE: N/A

REQUESTING Transportation, Planning **DIRECTOR'S**
DEPARTMENT:and Sustainability **AUTHORIZATION:** Austan Librach

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: 11/6/03 – Council accepted \$160,000 in grant funds from TxDOT; appropriated \$160,000 in the 2003-2004 Amended Capital Budget of TPSD and created a new project called "High Occupancy Vehicles (HOV) Analysis on Arterials."

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

On November 6, 2003, the City Council approved the acceptance of \$160,000 in grant funds from TxDOT for an HOV Study. The requested action authorizes an agreement with TxDOT for administration of an HOV Study by the City of Austin.

The study will identify potential arterial High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) corridors, look at ways to extend HOV lanes into the arterial roadway network, and evaluate the corridors to determine the feasibility of implementing appropriate HOV treatments. The outcome of this study should be a list of candidate arterial corridors and a measure of the relative feasibility of each of the candidates.