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<u>SUBJECT</u>: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Capital Metro) for City managed transit related projects and operating costs funded through the Capital Metro's "Build Central Texas" program.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Capital Metro will pay the City \$6.6 million for fiscal year 2005 as funds are available, in consideration for the City carrying out certain approved transportation projects, identified in Exhibit A, and as modified from time to time to add or reallocate funding among approved projects and activities. The Capital Metro Board of Directors will appropriate additional funding for fiscal year 2006 at a later date.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Public Works

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

This BUILD CENTRAL TEXAS Interlocal Agreement is a continuation of previous interlocal cooperative agreements to provide for the mutual benefit of Capital Metro using the public streets and a long-term commitment by the City and Capital Metro to meet the community's street maintenance and mobility needs.

The City and Capital Metro have significantly benefited by improved street maintenance and mobility infrastructure as a result of the Public Transportation Mobility Fund program from 1988 to 1993, and the Build Greater Austin program from 1994 to 2004. Now Capital Metro has developed a program called BUILD CENTRAL TEXAS and the City and Capital Metro, as partners, have identified the need to provide details for their working relationship to establish both criteria and a process for identifying eligible projects and activities for these funds to ensure that the region's transportation infrastructure is properly planned, enhanced and maintained.

The eligible 2005 projects and activities and proposed funding for each are as follows:

- A. Street Reconstruction and Structural Overlays (\$2,600,000). This funding will continue the work of roadway reconstruction and maintenance on Capital Metro bus routes to include \$2,100,000 for streets, and \$200,000 for emergency repair work and \$300,000 for sidewalk construction to be determined by Capital Metro.
- B. Traffic Controls (\$2,585,744). The City's Traffic Control Program includes the installation of

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traffic signals and signs and the funding for improvements in this area will assist in the synchronization, installation and maintenance of traffic signals, as well as the update of transportation signs.

- C. Long-Range Planning Program (\$550,951). The City's Long Range Planning Program develops plans to support the provision of infrastructure and City services to accommodate existing and future land uses. The program also manages the location and intensity of projected growth. The BUILD CENTRAL TEXAS funding assist in furthering partnerships with Capital Metro, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Travis County, and the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO).
- D. Traffic Enforcement (\$863,305). The BUILD CENTRAL TEXAS funds will continue to improve traffic safety for motorist and pedestrians along Capital Metro bus routes as initiated with ¼ Cent funding and the Austin Police Department/Capital Metro Incident Management Plan. The funding will be applied to the direct costs of patrol and motorcycle officers working traffic enforcement and the DWI Initiatives.

Capital Metro will pay to the City \$6.6 million for fiscal year 2005 as funds are available, in consideration for the City carrying out the approved transportation projects listed above, and as modified from time to time to add approved projects. To facilitate payments to the City, the City and Capital Metro staffs have developed a process that outlines project management criteria and a payment plan that will be formulated and formalized by the Capital Metro and City staffs as a "Memorandum of Understanding". The Capital Metro Board of Directors will appropriate the funding for fiscal year 2006 at a later date.

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