AGENDA









Monday, September 11, 2006

The Austin City Council will convene at 10:00 AM on Monday, September 11, 2006 at Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701.



Mayor Will Wynn
Mayor Pro Tem Betty Dunkerley
Council Member Lee Leffingwell, Place 1
Council Member Mike Martinez, Place 2
Council Member Jennifer Kim, Place 3
Council Member Brewster McCracken, Place 5
Council Member Sheryl Cole, Place 6

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The City Council will go into a closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to receive advice from legal counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, to discuss personnel matters, to discuss or take action on a "competitive matter" of Austin Energy as provided for under Section 551.086, or for other reasons permitted by law as specifically listed on this agenda. If necessary, the City Council may go into a closed session as permitted by law regarding any item on this agenda.

Reading and Action on Consent Agenda

Action on the Following:

Ordinances / Resolutions / Motions -

All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.

10: 00 AM -- City Council Convenes

Budget

1. Approve an ordinance adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, beginning on October 1, 2006, and ending on September 30, 2007.

Backup Material

2. Approve an ordinance adopting the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, beginning on October 1, 2006, and ending September 30, 2007.

Backup Material

- 3. Approve an ordinance adopting and levying an Ad Valorem Tax rate for the City of Austin for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

 Backup Material
- 4. Approve an ordinance authorizing fees, fines, and other charges to be charged by City departments for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, beginning on October 1, 2006, and ending September 30, 2007.
 Backup Material

- 5. Approve an ordinance to establish classifications and positions in the classified service of the Austin Fire Department and repeal Ordinance No. 20060608-010. Funding is included in the proposed Fire Department Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget.

 Backup Material
- Approve an ordinance to establish classifications and number of positions in the classified service of the Austin Police Department and repealing Ordinance No. 20060525-024. Funding is included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget for the Police Department.

Backup Material

7. Approve a resolution amending the Personnel Policies by increasing vacation accrual schedules for non-Civil Service employees; modifying policy language to allow for new domestic partner benefits; and adding longevity pay and increasing vacation accrual for peace officers of the Public Safety and Emergency Management Department.

Backup Material

Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to 8. reimburse itself from the proceeds of November 2000 Proposition 1 General Obligation bonds to be issued in the future for expenditures in the amount of \$6,900,000 related to street improvements; to reimburse itself from the proceeds of Certificates of Obligation to be issued in the future for expenditures in the amount of \$2,500,000 related to Veloway trail improvements; and to reimburse itself from the proceeds of Certificates of Obligation to be issued in the future for expenditures in the amount of \$4,500,000 related to fire station construction. (This resolution is required Pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code, which protects the tax-exempt status of the referenced expenditures.) \$6,900,000 in General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds to be issued in August 2007 or later; \$7,000,000 in tax-supported General Obligation Certificates of Obligation to be issued in August 2007 or later.

Backup Material

9. Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations to be issued through October 2007 for acquisition and construction costs in an aggregate maximum principle amount of \$170,000,000 related to Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Austin Water Utility Capital Improvement Projects.

Backup Material

- 10. Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations to be issued in the future for acquisition and construction costs in an aggregate maximum principle amount of \$89,101,000 related to electric utility capital improvement projects.
 Backup Material
- 11. Approve a resolution adopting the Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau (ACVB) 2006-2007 Marketing Plan and proposed budget in the amount of \$8,159,156, set the contract payment from the City of Austin to ACVB at \$6,750,040 for the Fiscal Year 2006-2007, approve negotiation and execution of a new agreement between the City of Austin and ACVB for a five-year term beginning October 1, 2006 and ending September 30, 2011, and direct the City Manager to file the approved documents with the City Clerk's office as required by the Texas Tax Code. Funding in the amount of \$6,750,040 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Proposed Operating Budget for the Tourism and Promotion Fund. The Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Tourism and Promotion Fund is attached. Funding for the remaining \$1,409,116 of the ACVB budget is available from the sources shown in the attachment.
- Approve the negotiation and execution of a three year Interlocal Agreement with Travis County related to employment of one Forensic Chemist to work in the Austin Police Department's Forensic Science Division on County cases on a priority basis. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, the County will pay the City \$88,700 for year-one costs; \$80,050 for year-two costs; and \$80,050 for year-three costs.

Economic Growth & Redevelopment Services

13. Approve a resolution awarding contracts for Cultural Arts Services for the Fiscal Year 2006-2007. Funding in the amount of \$4,928,427 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Proposed Budget for the Cultural Arts Fund for cultural arts contracts; \$28,481 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Texas Commission on the Arts Subgranting Program grant for a total of \$4,956,908. Recommended and adopted by the Austin Arts Commission.

10: 15 AM -- Mueller Local Government Corporation

The Mayor will recess the City Council meeting to conduct a Board of Directors' Meeting of the Mueller Local Government Corporation. Following adjournment of the MLGC Board meeting the City Council will re-convene (See attached MLGC agenda).

10: 30 AM -- Austin Housing Finance Corporation Board of Directors' Meeting

The Mayor will recess the City Council meeting to conduct a Board of Directors' Meeting of the Austin Housing Finance Corporation. Following adjournment of the AHFC Board meeting the City Council will re-convene (See attached AHFC agenda).

Adjourn

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