



TO: Mayor & Council Members
FROM: Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
DATE: September 6th, 2011
SUBJECT: August 2011 City of Austin ARRA Status Report

The status updates on each ARRA grant have been updated on the City's stimulus website www.cityofaustin.org/stimulus (link is on City's homepage) under the projects tab (<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/stimulus/projects.htm>). In addition, the *Federal Stimulus Tracking List* has also been updated and includes expenditure and encumbrance information, as well as grant start/end dates and job creation estimates. This tracking log can be found here: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/stimulus/downloads/arra%20status%20report.xls>. Overall, \$66.5 million, or 77% of the total funds awarded, have been either expended or encumbered through 8/23/11.

Noteworthy items for the month include the following:

- As of the end of July, AE's Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) reported 1056 total units completed to TDHCA. In July, AE completed 82 units, exceeding our goal of 80 units for the month. They have also expended 63% percent of the funds through July 31, 2011.
- The City has applied to TWDB for the Certificate of Approval for the Austin Water Utility's Hornsby Bend Plant Upgrades, in order to release retainage funds. Work continues on the Digester portion of the plant upgrade.
- Council approved the acceptance of \$363,250 from the Department of Energy, through the State Energy Conservation Office. Austin Energy will install a solar photovoltaic system at the City of Austin's George Washington Carver Museum and Library.
- The City installed 21 Uninterrupted Power Sources (UPS) in the month of July through the additional \$1.4 million awarded from the Department of Transportation. The UPS provide back-up battery-power in the event of an electrical outage; signals remain powered and working.
- Conversion of the fuel tanks for Fleet's Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles grant has been completed. Council awarded a contract on August 25th to install the 38 charging stations.
- Council approved the acceptance of \$240,000 from the Department of Energy as part of the Transportation Energy Efficiency Alternative Fuels and Technology Stimulus Grant. Fleet Services will convert 60 current City vehicles from unleaded gasoline to propane.

Please let me know if you have additional questions.

xc: Marc A. Ott, City Manager
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