

AGENDA



Thursday, February 4, 2010

**Transportation
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 25**

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to activate an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project for the installation of a Dynamic Message Sign (DMS) system at various locations throughout the City; and approve an ordinance accepting \$1,000,000 in grant funds and amending the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Transportation Department Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20090914-002 and Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20090914-003 to transfer and appropriate grant funds.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding of \$1,000,000 will be provided by the Texas Department of Transportation. Funding of \$50,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department to cover the administrative costs as required by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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The scope of work includes the purchase and installation of a Dynamic Message Sign system on major City of Austin arterials leading to the central city. Dynamic Message Signs convey messages to reflect travel conditions and provide drivers with important information such as event congestion, parking availability, and road closures. These signs will be used to provide general traffic information; manage traffic accidents and construction traffic; warn of special events and manage resulting traffic; and provide warnings of adverse weather and road conditions.