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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council		Item ID	60230	Agenda Number	31.
Meeting Date:	8/4/2016			Department:	Public Works
Subject					
Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advanced Funding Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation for the construction of an urban trail from E. 12 Street to the Capital Metro MLK Jr. Metrorail Station; and amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20150908-001) to accept grant funds in the amount of \$1,114,326 from the Texas Department of Transportation; and amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20150908-002) to transfer in and appropriate \$1,114,326 from the Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue fund for an urban trail (District 1).					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding in the amount of \$1,114,326 is available from the Texas Department of Transportation; \$361,456 in City funding is required as a match for a total amount of \$1,475,782.					
Fiscal Note					
Fiscal notes are attached detailing the acceptance of \$1,114,326 in grant funding, the transfer of those funds to the Public Works Department Capital Budget, and \$361,456 of City funding for the required grant match.					
Purchasing Language:					
Prior Council Action:	November 29, 2001 - Council approved an ordinance adopting the Rosewood Neighborhood Plan which included a recommendation for the Upper Boggy Creek Trail; March 12, 2009 - Council approved the MLK Jr. Blvd. Station Area Plan which included a recommendation for the Upper Boggy Creek Trail; September 25, 2014 - Council approved the Urban Trail Master Plan which lists the Upper Boggy Creek Trail as a high priority urban trail connection; July 18, 2015 - Council approved a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit Upper Boggy Creek Trail as a candidate for federal Transportation Alternative Program Funding; January 28, 2016 - Council approved Quarter Cent Funding for the construction of the Upper Boggy Creek Trail.				
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Related Items:					
Additional Backup Information					

The purpose of this Advance Funding Agreement is to accept funds to construct the Upper Boggy Creek Trail from East 12 Street to the MLK Jr. Metrorail station. The project has been designed and engineered using bond funding, primarily from the 2000 and 2012 general obligation bonds.

This project will connect neighborhoods, parks and schools directly to the Metrorail station, providing bicycle and pedestrian accommodation for users of all abilities and contribute to the creation of a multi-modal connection for users of the Capital Metro transit system.. This project is also part of the overarching vision for the Eastlink Trail, which strives to connect popular destinations on the east side of Austin from Bartholomew Pool and park to Lady Bird Lake and Butler park trail.

Project design and construction is managed by the Public Works Department.