



**Grant**  
**CITY OF AUSTIN**  
**RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.:** 15  
**AGENDA DATE:** Thu 10/20/2005  
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**SUBJECT:** Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$112,809 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice, Fiscal Year 2005 DNA Capacity Enhancement program; and amending the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20050912-001 to appropriate \$112,809 for equipment and a monitoring system for the Austin Police Department DNA Section.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available for the grant period October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006.

**FISCAL NOTE:** A fiscal note is attached.

**REQUESTING** Police  
**DEPARTMENT:**

**DIRECTOR'S**  
**AUTHORIZATION:** Robert Dahlstrom

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Dahlstrom, Assistant Chief/974-5482

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** N/A

**PURCHASING:** N/A

**MBE / WBE:** N/A

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This action approves an ordinance authorizing the City to apply for and accept \$112,809 in grant funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice, Fiscal Year 2005 DNA Capacity Enhancement program. The grant period runs from October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006.

Funding will be used to support the purchase of a walk-in freezer and monitoring equipment for the DNA and Evidence Sections, so that biological freezers will be continuously monitored and responsible parties will be notified as soon as a problem is identified. This will prevent the loss of valuable evidence due to a mechanical failure. This grant will also be used to purchase personal digital assistants (PDAs). This grant addresses the Department goal to improve efficiency through technology in order to provide information for daily operations, analysis and strategic planning and to increase the likelihood of successful prosecution of criminals.

## OPERATING BUDGET Fiscal Note

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:  
WHERE ON AGENDA:  
DEPARTMENT:

10/20/05  
Ordinance  
Police

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### FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	Approved Budget 2005-2006	Impact of this Action	Amended Budget 2005-2006
<b>Special Revenue Fund DNA Capacity Enhancement 10/1/05 - 9/30/06</b>	\$0	\$112,809	\$112,809
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$112,809</u>	<u>\$112,809</u>
<b>FTES</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00

Budget Office:

*M. P. [Signature]*

Date:

*9-30-05*