## FY 2023-2024 BUDGET QUESTION

## **Response to Request for Information**

DEPARTMENT(S): Austin Public Library

CBQ NO.: 185

**REQUESTED BY: Ellis** 

DATE REQUESTED: 07/31/2023

DATE POSTED: 08/04/2023

REQUEST: Regarding the proposed 5 positions to increase security and improve cleanliness at branch libraries, what does this include?

## **RESPONSE:**

The proposed 5 positions to increase security and improve cleanliness at branch libraries, includes the addition of 3 Building and Grounds Assistant positions in Custodial Services, and 2 Library Security Specialists in Security Services. The FY 2024 Budget requirement, pro-rated for 9 months, is \$295,561. These additional positions will allow for:

- Dedicated Building & Grounds Assistants and Library Security Specialists at more of our 24 locations;
- Prevention of security-related incidents by deterring unwanted/undesirable behavior;
- Increase in coverage to support public services hours, currently 1,334 hours per week, and may be expanded; and
- Reduction of need for contractual services.