

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	<b>Item ID</b>	13672	<b>Agenda Number</b>	28.
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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	3/22/2012	<b>Department:</b>	Parks and Recreation
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**Subject**

Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin’s official intent to reimburse itself from Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$700,000 for improvements to the Williams Morris Golf Course. Related to item # 29.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

\$700,000 in Certificate of Obligation to be issued.

**Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note Attached

<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	February 9, 2012 – Approved execution of construction contract with STR Constructors, LTD for the Morris Williams Golf Course Pro Shop/Cart Barn for a total contract not to exceed \$2,085,615.
<b>For More Information:</b>	Kevin Gomillion, 974-9351; Kimberly McNeeley, 974-9490; Tina Van Wie, 974-7921; April Thedford, 974-6716
<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	
<b>MBE / WBE:</b>	
<b>Related Items:</b>	

**Additional Backup Information**

The Parks and Recreation Department requests approval, in accordance with Federal Treasury Regulations, of an Official Declaration of Intent to Reimburse construction and other related costs of improvements to the Morris Williams Golf Course for a total amount of \$700,000.

This reimbursement resolution will provide a source of additional funding in the amount of \$250,000 for the construction of the pro-shop and cart barn. On February 9, 2012, Council approved the execution of a construction contract with STR Constructors, LTD for the Morris Williams Golf Course Pro Shop/Cart Barn for a total contract not to exceed \$2,085,615.

The resolution will also provide a source of funding for other golf course improvements including re-grading and re-grassing the fairways, drainage improvements, irrigation expansion, golf cart path improvements, and related soft costs for an amount of \$450,000.

The amounts for the pro shop/cart barn and the other golf course improvements total to \$700,000.

For the City to spend money today, but reimburse itself from the issuance of debt obligations in the future, a reimbursement resolution is required by state and federal law. The resolution must contain certain information and is generally drafted by bond counsel to protect the tax-exempt status of the future issuance. The resolution must be passed not more than 60 days after the date that the cost to be reimbursed is paid. Failure to adopt a qualified declaration of official intent will prohibit the City from reimbursing the cost with the proceeds of tax exempt obligations. Reimbursement bonds generally must be issued 18 months after the later of, the date the expenditure was made, or the date that the project, with respect to which the expenditure was made, is placed in service.