

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	15466	Agenda Number	5.
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Meeting Date:	5/24/2012	Department:	Austin Water Utility
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month Interlocal Agreement with the University of Texas School of Architecture (UT) to jointly fund a summer student internship at the City's Balcones Canyonlands Preserves with a cost to the City not to exceed \$3,500 and contribution from UT's Kent S. Butler Memorial Excellence Fund in an amount not to exceed \$3,500 (total contract amount not to exceed \$7,000).

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$3,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget of Wildland Conservation Fund.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Amanda Ross, 972-1690; Willy Conrad, 972-1661; Denise Avery, 972-0104.
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Kent S. Butler Memorial Excellence Fund in the University of Texas' Community & Regional Planning Department was established in 2012 to provide ongoing annual funding to support student internships at community and environmental organizations. As a special tribute to celebrate Kent's work and commitment to environmental quality in Central Texas, the UT School of Architecture and the City of Austin are partnering to host the inaugural internship at the Balcones Canyonland Preserve, home of the Kent Butler Ecological Reserve. The responsibility for funding for this position will be divided evenly by the City and the University of Texas, with each party providing \$3500, for a total of \$7000.

During the course of ten weeks, a student will work with staff in the City of Austin Balcones Canyonlands Preserve division to learn about land management practices, participate in environmental planning, and to assist with the development of community outreach programs.