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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	21392	Agenda Number	37.
Meeting Date:	2/14/2013		Department:	Watershed Protection
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month interlocal agreement with the University of Texas at Austin—Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center to validate invasive plant species data and develop and conduct invasive plant species training workshops in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$25,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013 Management Services Operating Budget, special revenue fund.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	<p>April 8, 2010: Council approved Resolution No. 20100408-030 directing the City Manager to develop an Invasive Species Management Plan. August 19, 2010: Council authorized an Interlocal Agreement with the University of Texas at Austin—Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center to assist in developing an Invasive Species Management Plan January 31, 2013: Council approved acceptance of \$25,000 in grant funds for the Cities of Service Impact Volunteering Fund Grant from Cities of Service, Inc.</p>			
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Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>This interlocal agreement authorizes the City to work with the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center to develop and host six invasive plant species identification and monitoring training workshops. Two of the workshops will be for city staff involved in land management, and four of the workshops will be for volunteers. At least 180 volunteers will be trained and mobilized to collect data on invasive plant species on city-owned properties and creeks within the City's full purpose jurisdiction. Approximately 3,600 invasive plant species data entries will be recorded by the end of the calendar year of 2013.</p>				
<p>This action addresses monitoring and education components of the City's Invasive Species Management Plan.</p>				

