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## Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | Item ID | 22134 | Agenda Number | 29. |
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| Meeting Date: | 2/28/2013 | Department: | Transportation |
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## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County to designate Travis County as the lead agency in partnership with the City for proposed preliminary engineering studies on the extension of Braker Lane from the existing terminus to Harris Branch Parkway.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding for the non-federal match in the amount of \$120,000.00 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012 – 2013 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department from the 2010 Bond Program.

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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| Purchasing Language:          |  |
| Prior Council Action:         |  |
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| Boards and Commission Action: |  |
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| Related Items:                |  |

## Additional Backup Information

On December 12, 2011, the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board approved \$480,000 of federal Surface Transportation Program-Metropolitan Mobility (STP-MM) funds to the Braker Lane North Design and Engineering project. The City of Austin is providing an additional \$120,000 to the project for a total project cost of \$600,000. Partnering with Travis County, the City of Austin sponsors the project to complete a critical missing gap of Braker Lane to Harris Branch Parkway. The design and engineering will allow the City and County to cooperatively acquire future right-of-way as development occurs, providing essential east-west connectivity within the SH 130 Corridor. The high-priority project is located in an *Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan* Activity Center and will improve access to area schools, neighborhoods, and major regional employers including Samsung. The segment from the existing Braker Lane terminus to Samsung Boulevard and the segment from Giles Road to Harris Branch Parkway are within the City of Austin jurisdiction while the remaining middle segment is under Travis County jurisdiction.

The Advanced Funding Agreement with TxDOT and Travis County will document separately the reimbursement costs by the City and County. Travis County will act as the lead agency for the Advanced Funding Agreement with

TxDOT. The Interlocal Agreement ensures the partnership maintains consistent design and engineering for the segments that traverse jurisdictional boundaries. The Preliminary Engineering funds must be obligated by FY 2014, and the execution of the Interlocal Agreement and Advanced Funding Agreement will accomplish this purpose.