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## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	22976	Agenda Number	14.
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Meeting Date:	3/21/2013	Department:	Finance
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## Subject

Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to reimburse itself from Contractual Obligations in the amount of \$2,575,000 for the purchase of various equipment, such as emergency-related equipment, vehicles, grounds maintenance equipment, and body armor.

## Amount and Source of Funding

\$2,575,000 in Contractual Obligations to be issued.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	February 12, 2013 - Item A002
For More Information:	Tina Van Wie, Budget Manager / Financial Services 974-7921; Kim Springer, Deputy Budget Officer / Financial Services, 974-2924
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

The Financial Services Department requests approval, in accordance with Federal Treasury Regulations, of an Official Declaration of Intent to Reimburse costs to for the purchase of various equipment for \$2,575,000. During the mid-year Budget session, Council approved amending the General Fund Critical One-Time Fund to decrease appropriations for a variety of equipment such as heart monitors, automatic external defibrillators, vehicles, mowers, chippers and body armor, and approved these items being purchased through the use of contractual obligations. This resolution is required to complete the Council's intent through the action it took during the Mid-Year Budget work session. The following departments will receive equipment that will be funded through these funds: Emergency Medical Services, Austin Fire, Health and Human Services, Library, Municipal Court, Planning and Development Review, Parks and Recreation, Police.

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 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.