

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	25736	Agenda Number	7.
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Meeting Date:	10/17/2013	Department:	Fleet Services
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Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$326,250 in grant funds from the Capital Area Council of Governments; amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Fleet Services Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20130909-001) to appropriate these funds; and amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Fleet Services Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20130909-002) to transfer in and appropriate \$326,250 from the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Fleet Services Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund to replace Austin Water Utility vehicles with diesel-powered vehicles with lower emissions.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$326,250 will be provided by the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The required match is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. The grant period is from the execution of the Grant Agreement through September 30, 2014.

Fiscal Note

Fiscal notes are attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Gerry Calk, Fleet Officer (512) 974-1541, Will O'Connor, Vehicle Acquisitions Manager (512) 978-2644.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPGOG) has authorized the award of \$326,250 in grant funds to the City of Austin Fleet Services to fund the replacement of Austin Water Utility trucks with new diesel trucks with lower emissions. The Council obtained this grant funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) program.

CAPCOG forecasts that replacing the older trucks will result in a reduction of 26.0 tons of Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) over the useful lives of the new vehicles. They also estimate annual health benefits exceeding \$37,000

with the cleaner trucks. This grant will also assist Fleet Services in establishing a City fleet less damaging to the environment.

The Austin Water Utility will fund the required match from its capital budget.