Thursday, December 10, 2009

Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 30

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement between the City of Austin and Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable, in the amount of \$35,000 annually, to enhance public safety by developing effective strategies for convicted criminal offenders to successfully reenter into society.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$35,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: April 30, 2009 - Negotiation and execution of the agreement.

The Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable was created to develop effective strategies for convicted criminal offenders to successfully reenter into the fabric of society. In exchange for the City of Austin's sponsorship, the Roundtable agrees to engage employers to enhance hiring policies to employ more persons with criminal backgrounds advocate for effective employment readiness training programs during incarceration and after release assist with transitional housing and encourage community services that support families and children of incarcerated persons.

This Agreement, will, if approved and executed, have an effective date of October 1, 2009, and the agreement shall thereafter automatically renew on October 1 of each year for succeeding terms of one year; unless earlier terminated by either party pursuant to the terms of the agreement. Renewals will be contingent upon future funding by the City.