

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council - Commissioners Court Meeting	<b>Item ID</b>	36650	<b>Agenda Number</b>	58.
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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	9/25/2014	<b>Department:</b>	Austin Police Department
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**Subject**

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for and acceptance of \$35,487 in grant funding from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division to implement the Austin Police Department (APD) project entitled APD Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration project.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$35,487 is available from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program for the project period of October 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015. No match is required.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is not required.

<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	
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<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	
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<b>For More Information:</b>	Troy Gay, Assistant Chief   974-5030
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<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	
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<b>MBE / WBE:</b>	
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<b>Related Items:</b>	
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**Additional Backup Information**

This action will provide the required resolution needed by the Criminal Justice Division to complete the award process related to \$35,487 in grant funding. The project period is October 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015.

State funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program will allow for the purchase of a Live Scan unit for the APD Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration (SOAR) Unit. The electronic fingerprint scanner will increase public safety by improving the efficiency, accuracy and credibility of the SOAR Unit fingerprinting process. The scanner is a more reliable way of collecting offender prints and will automatically upload prints to AFIS. DPS has agreed to work with APD to launch a pilot project, which would allow for the transfer of electronic prints to the state.

The grantor requires a resolution approved by council that addresses items one through four below.

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to CJD that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update CJD should the official change during the grant period.); and
4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD.