

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	49695	Agenda Number	49.
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Meeting Date:	9/17/2015	Department:	Austin Police Department
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for and acceptance of \$98,718 in grant funding from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division to implement the Austin Police Department project entitled the Austin Police Department Coverdell Project.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$98,718 is available from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division, Coverdell Forensic Sciences Improvement Program for the project period of October 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016. A match is not required.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	September 25, 2014 Item # 60 Resolution No. 20140925-60 was approved on consent on Mayor Pro Tem Cole's motion, Council Member Spelman's second on a 7-0 vote.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	
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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 \$98,718 in grant funding. The project period is October 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016. Coverdell funding will allow the City to:

- provide overtime funds for forensic analysts to complete non-DNA casework (\$38,126)
- purchase equipment, supplies and software for the APD Crime Lab (\$60,592)

This is the twelfth year of this project. APD anticipates that Coverdell funds will allow for approximately 900 hours of analysts overtime, with 1,230 pieces of evidence processed.

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.

