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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	56208	Agenda Number	48.
Meeting Date:	3/31/2016		Department:	Transportation
Subject				
<p>Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advanced Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for bike stations; and amending the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Austin Transportation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20150908-001) to accept \$908,500 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation; amending the Austin Transportation Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20150908-002) to transfer in and appropriate \$908,500 from the Austin Transportation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund for bike stations; and amending the Austin Transportation Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20150908-002) to accept and appropriate a donation of \$241,500 from Bike Share of Austin also for bike stations.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>\$1,150,000 from a combination of Federal and State \$908,500 and Local Source \$241,500 to be provided by Bike Share of Austin. Also, \$50,000 is an estimate for preliminary engineering services which is coming from ATD Operating Fund.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
Fiscal notes are attached.				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>This request for council action is to negotiate and execute an Advanced Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for bike stations, and to accept and appropriate the funds from the Texas Department of Transportation and a donation from Bike Share of Austin for the bike stations. These funds will allow the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) to purchase 18 bike stations (including docks, map modules, bicycles, and kiosks) to expand the City's bike share system by 36%.</p> <p>The Bike Share Program is a bicycle-sharing service, similar to the City's Car Share Program that supports mobility options. The system currently consists of 50 stations and 395 bicycles. Since its inception in Austin in December 2013, the Bike Share System has resulted in 351,171 trips by bike.</p> <p>The expansion of this program will enable service to be offered south of the Colorado River as well as east and west of the Downtown core. This program implements objectives and action items adopted in the Downtown Master Plan, Bicycle Master Plan, and the Austin Climate Action Plan.</p>				

Bike Share stations are proposed for 18 locations with an area between Mary Street to the south, MLK Blvd. to the north, Lake Austin Blvd. to the west and Pleasant Valley to the east, as shown on the map included in the Advanced Funding Agreement. The Bike Share System is located in Districts 1, 3, 5, 8, 9 and 10.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the Austin Transportation Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.