



Recommendation for Action

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Posting Language

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$25,000 in grants funds from the Urban Sustainability Directors Network - a project of Global Philanthropy Partnership; and amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Austin Fire Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to appropriate these grant funds for a web-based, real-time smoke map.

Lead Department

Austin Fire Department

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

On behalf of the Office of Sustainability, the Austin Fire Department is accepting a \$25,000 Innovation Fund grant to create a prototype of a web-based real-time smoke-map. The grant comes from the Urban Sustainability Directors Network (USDN) - a project of Global Philanthropy Partnership (GPP) - to provide jurisdictions with new tools to communicate about wildfire smoke events. The Office of Design & Delivery, which specializes in user-centered technology design, will convene community partners to develop the key design criteria for maps of East Austin neighborhoods where there are significantly higher levels of asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) rates.