



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3197, **Agenda Item #:** 11.

10/15/2020

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Austin Public Library Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to accept and appropriate \$49,975 in grant funds from the Texas State Library & Archives Commission (TSLAC) for the TSLAC CARES-Cycle 1 Grant Program to assist with costs related to COVID-19 for Wi-Fi hot spots and laptops.

Lead Department

Austin Public Library

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$49,975 is available from the Texas State Library & Archives Commission. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

None.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

None.

Additional Backup Information:

The Texas State Library & Archives Commission (TSLAC) CARES - Cycle 1 grant will allow the Austin Public Library to purchase Wi-Fi hot spots and laptops to add to the available circulation. The project period is April 21, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

This is a one-time equipment-only project.

TSLAC requires an authorized official to sign and return the required grant contract to indicate acceptance of the award and compliance with the statutory and regulatory requirements before any funds will be reimbursed.

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 Public Library Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Culture and Lifelong Learning; Government that Works for All