



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

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5/2/2024

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing and ratifying the submission of a grant application to the State and Local Cybersecurity Grants Program, administered by the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, to fund a pilot initiative to implement a citywide data protection plan, and designating the Chief Information Security Officer as the authorized official for the grant.

Lead Department

Information Security Office

Fiscal Note

A grant proposal totaling \$1,141,220 has been submitted to the State of Texas Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, for the State and Local Cybersecurity Grants Program, for the project period October 1, 2024 - August 31, 2025.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program is administered by the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office (PSO), with funding from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The proposal titled AI Data Protection has been submitted to the state by the Information Security Office: It is a proposal for a pilot initiative to implement a City-wide data protection plan.

The grantor requires a resolution approved by Council. The proposal has been submitted, but the grantor permits submission of the resolution afterwards. The resolution would authorize and ratify the following:

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to the Public Safety Office (PSO) 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; and
4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to PSO.