



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1351, **Agenda Item #:** 32.

4/9/2026

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Transportation and Public Works Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20250813-005) to accept funds from the Texas Department of Transportation in an amount up to \$515,486 for the installation of traffic monitoring systems at locations throughout the City; and amending the Capital Budget of Austin Transportation and Public Works (Ordinance No. 20250813-005) to transfer in and appropriate up to \$515,486 for the installation of the traffic monitoring systems. Funding: \$515,486 is available from the Texas Department of Transportation. A City funding match of \$161,090 is required and available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Transportation and Public Works Department's Capital Budget.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation and Public Works.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$515,486 is available from the Texas Department of Transportation. A City funding match of \$161,090 is required and available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Transportation and Public Works Department's Capital Budget. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

December 11, 2025 - Resolution No. 20251211-080 authorizing the negotiation and execution of an advance funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for installation of traffic monitoring devices funded through the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program was approved on consent on Council Member Ellis' motion, Council Member Velásquez's second on an 11-0 vote.

June 19, 2019 - Ordinance No. 20190619-074 authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the design and installation of additional traffic monitoring cameras and a video management system was approved on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison absent.

December 14, 2017 - Resolution No. 20171214-056 authorizing the submittal of a list of potential transportation projects for the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2019-2022 Call for Projects was approved on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Troxclair off the dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

On December 14, 2017, Council authorized the submittal of potential transportation projects for the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2019-2022 Call for Projects.

CAMPO awarded funding for this project's implementation in 2019, but it was deferred in 2020 when CAMPO

reprioritized regional transportation funding to support the I-35 Capital Express Project. As part of that decision, federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds, including those designated for this project were indefinitely deferred.

In 2024, CAMPO's Transportation Policy Board adopted a resolution to restore funding for this project. This action allows the City to proceed with implementing the traffic monitoring project.

This project is expected to enhance the City's current traffic monitoring network through the installation of additional traffic cameras which is anticipated will strengthen the City's ability to identify and verify incidents quickly, adjust signal timing to reduce congestion, and improve overall response times increasing coverage along the transportation network and providing greater system resilience and operational continuity.

This project is supported by federal funding through CAMPO's Surface Transportation Program Metropolitan Mobility initiative, totaling up to \$713,855. Local match funding of \$161,090 is available in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the Capital Budget of Austin Transportation and Public Works. The remaining project costs of \$37,279 reflect the State's participation amount. Final funding amounts will depend on actual implementation costs. Austin Transportation and Public Works will manage the project.

This project is located within all City Council districts city-wide.