



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1025, **Agenda Item #:** 38.

1/27/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$45,000 in grant funds from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Fleet Mobility Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20210811-001) to appropriate these funds; and amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Fleet Mobility Services Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20210811-001) to transfer in and appropriate \$45,000 from the Fleet Mobility Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund to assist with the purchase of Level 2 charging equipment.

Lead Department

Fleet Mobility Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount not to exceed \$45,000 will be provided by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The grant period extends from the execution of the Grant Agreement through 24 months after the contract effective date. A City funding match is not required. Fiscal notes are attached.

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Additional Backup Information:

TCEQ has awarded the City of Austin Fleet Mobility Services Department two separate Texas Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Program grant funds in the amount of \$2,500 for each activity. The grant funds will be applied toward the purchase of multiple Level 2 charging equipment for light-duty zero emission vehicles identified at various sites within the City of Austin. In collaboration with Public Works and Austin Energy, a total of 18 charging stations and will be installed to support the electrification of the City of Austin's fleet.

The goal of the grant program is to reduce damaging environmental emissions. This grant will therefore help the City achieve its sustainability goals and try to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.

A City funding match is not required.

The total estimated cost of purchasing the Level 2 charging equipment is \$386,224. The remaining funding is available in the Fleet capital fund budget.

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Health & Environment.