



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1897, **Agenda Item #:** 91.

5/28/2026

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20250813-005) to accept and appropriate \$25,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation for the APD STEP - Click It or Ticket Mobilization Project. Funding: \$25,000 is available from the Texas Department of Transportation. A 20 percent required City match will be met by accounting for the base salary and fringe benefits of existing City positions in the Austin Police Department Operating Budget.

Lead Department

Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$25,000 is available from the Texas Department of Transportation. The 20 percent City match will be met by accounting for the base salary and fringe benefits of existing City positions in the Austin Police Department Operating Budget. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

May 8, 2025 - Council approved an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Austin Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20240814-007) to accept and appropriate \$25,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation for the APD STEP - Click It or Ticket Mobilization Project on an 11-0 vote.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The City Manager Office reviewed this grant for alignment as directed by Resolution No. 20200611-096 and recommends approval. This item will approve an ordinance amending the current City budget to accept and appropriate \$25,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the APD STEP - Click It or Ticket Mobilization Project for a grant period of May 15 to June 3, 2026.

With the assistance of TxDOT grant funding, Austin officers will work on an overtime basis to increase occupant restraint use in passenger vehicles and trucks. In addition to enforcement, Austin Police will provide public information and education in line with the TxDOT Click It or Ticket campaign (Click It or Ticket available at <https://www.txdot.gov/safety/traffic-safety-campaigns/click-it-or-ticket.html>).

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