

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-2193, Agenda Item #: 41.

11/20/2025

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Fire Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20250813-005) to accept and appropriate \$72,728 in grant funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Assistance to Firefighters Grant, for coronary artery calcium scans. Funding: \$72,728 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. A City match of \$7,273 is required and is available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Fire Department Operating Budget.

Lead Department

Fire Department.

Fiscal Note

\$72,728 is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. A \$7,273 City match is required and is available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Fire Department Operating Budget. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

August 13, 2025 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20250813-005 adopting the City of Austin Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on September 30, 2026.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The purpose of this project is to allow the department to provide coronary artery calcium (CAC) scans for firefighters 40 or more years of age every 5 years. There are 653 firefighters who are 40 and older, the cost per scan is \$125. The Public Safety Wellness Center will identify firefighters eligible to participate in the CAC screening and refer them to a cardiologist on contract. The CAC scans are not currently covered by City medical insurance. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has \$72,728 in grant funds to award Austin Fire Department for the project. A \$7,273 City match is required and is available in the Fiscal Year 2025 -2026 Austin Fire Department Operating Budget. The grant term is for two years, from September 27, 2025, to September 26, 2027.

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