TO: Mayor & Council Members

FROM: Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer gdc

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SUBJECT: April 2010 Update on City of Austin Federal Stimulus (ARRA) Activities

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We have updated the matrix of the City's Federal Stimulus (ARRA) activities. It includes all grants we have applied for, including a status of each of these grant opportunities. To date, the City has been awarded $71.9 million in stimulus funding. The only significant application still pending at this point is an additional grant from the Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant program. This updated matrix is available on the City's stimulus website http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/stimulus/downloads/arra%20status%20report.xls

Since the last stimulus update in November, we have received several notifications on awards. The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) received $2.5 million from the U.S. Department of Transportation for the Federal Aid Highways program: $1.0 million directly from TxDOT for the installation of a Dynamic Message Sign system and $1.5 million through the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) to provide back-up, battery-powered electricity for 300 traffic signals in Austin. The first grant was accepted by Council on February 4th. The second will be scheduled for an upcoming Council meeting. Also, Health and Human Services was notified it received $7.5 million from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Communities Putting Prevention to Work program for a tobacco prevention and control program. This grant award will be scheduled for Council acceptance on April 22nd.

There are also several stimulus-related items on upcoming Council agendas:

This Thursday, contracts will be awarded for the testing, improvement and final audit services for the weatherization program. The City has received $5.8 million in stimulus funds for these efforts. Also, two contracts will be awarded for traffic signal installation and upgrade funded through the $2.4 million received by Austin Trasportation Department.

On April 22nd, a construction contract will be awarded for the 2010 Miscellaneous Streets Overlay, of which $1.5 million is from Federal Aid Highway stimulus funds that the City was previously allocated.

Please let me know if I can provide you any other information regarding the City's stimulus efforts.

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