



City Council Agenda Item Report

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Agenda Item No. _____

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SUBJECT: Approval of a Resolution to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the construction and maintenance of a City of Buda Monument Sign north of the Main Street exit on IH35 inside the City of Austin and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.

1. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The City of Buda previously selected three locations for a Monument Sign. The locations selected were north of the Main Street exit on IH-35, Main Street median at Falcon Bank and the Cabela's Drive median at Crestview RV.

The City contracted RVI to prepare the plans and schematics for the signs. The plans for the three locations have been submitted to TxDOT for approval.

The area proposed to locate the sign near the Main Street exit is within City of Austin's ETJ.

Mr. Rob Spillar, Austin Director of Transportation received approval from the Austin City Council on January 31, 2013 to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Buda.

2. FINDINGS/CURRENT ACTIVITY

The City of Austin has provided the Interlocal Agreement for the Monument Sign to be located at the southbound IH35 Main Street exit.

The Texas Department of Transportation is ready to prepare the final permit application for the Monument Sign once it receives the executed Interlocal Agreement between the City of Buda and the City of Austin. Once TxDOT has completed the permit application, the application will be forwarded to the City for signature. When TxDOT receives the signed permit from the City, the permit will be forwarded to the District Office for review and approval.

The City Attorney has reviewed the Interlocal Agreement.

3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

City Council earmarked \$50,000 (\$15,000 General Fund and \$35,000 HOT funds) for construction of gateway signage. Mark Smith has indicated the proposed construction cost estimates:

- Main Street exit on IH35 - \$15,000

4. ACTION OPTIONS/RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests the City Council consider approval of a Resolution to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the construction and maintenance of a City of Buda Monument Sign north of the Main Street exit on IH35 inside the City of Austin and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.