



Austin Transit Partnership

Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors Resolution

Meeting Date: 6/17/2026

ATP-2026-014

Subject: Approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director or their designee to negotiate and execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Austin defining the parties' roles and responsibilities and establishing other terms and conditions related to the design of Austin Light Rail, and authorizing initial funding to the City of Austin for certain environmental mitigation measures related to City parkland and transportation facilities.

Fiscal Impact: Funding for this item is available by transferring \$4,200,000 from the Operating Fund to the Light Rail Capital Fund and increasing the Capital Fund spend plan in the Austin Transit Partnership ("ATP") Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget by that same amount.

Executive Summary: The Design ILA is one of a series of interlocal agreements ("ILAs") that ATP anticipates executing with the City to deliver Austin Light Rail. Previously executed ILAs with the City have addressed real estate acquisition for the Austin Light Rail project (the "Project"), Project Connect Office staffing, and the Joint Powers Agreement (as amended).

The purpose of the Design ILA is to clarify and streamline the design phase of the Project through commitments relating to: roles and responsibilities of each party to advance and complete the final design phase for the Project; continued support services provided by the Project Connect Office; criteria for City infrastructure to be built as part of the Project; reimbursement to ATP for improvements to public utility infrastructure requested by the City to be completed concurrently with the Project; advance payment by ATP to the City for certain mitigations identified in ATP's National Environmental Policy Act Final Environmental Impact Statement to be designed and constructed by the City; and temporary use of City right-of-way by ATP during the design and construction of the Project.

Procurement Summary: Does not apply.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Summary: Does not apply.



**RESOLUTION OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TRAVIS

ATP-2026-014

WHEREAS, Austin Transit Partnership (“ATP”) is responsible for the planning, design, contracting, acquisition, construction, and financing of the Austin Light Rail Implementation Plan as defined in Austin City Council Resolution No. 20230601-072; and

WHEREAS, ATP has now onboarded design-build contractors who will complete the design, permitting and construction of rail alignment, operations and maintenance facility, and related ancillary components of the Austin Light Rail project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, ATP and the City of Austin (the “City”) desire to confirm their cooperation in the design phase of the Project through an interlocal agreement (the “Design ILA”) that defines the duties and responsibilities of the parties during that phase of the Project and includes the following components, among others:

- An ATP commitment to designing, planning, permitting and constructing the Project in accord with applicable state and local laws and regulations, and with applicable Federal Transit Administration requirements;
- ATP responsibility for coordinating the relocation of private utilities as needed to accommodate the Project;
- ATP responsibility for designing and constructing betterments to City infrastructure within the Project alignment as requested by the City, with such betterments constructed in accord with design criteria agreed by the parties, and with funding for such betterments provided by the City;
- ATP responsibility for implementing mitigation measures as reflected in the mitigation monitoring plan included in ATP’s National Environmental Policy Act Final Environmental Impact Statement;
- Temporary ATP right of access to use City right-of-way for purposes of conducting pre-construction and early construction activities related to the Project, including performing environmental, geotechnical and other due diligence studies, and conducting land and utility surveys;



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- An ATP commitment to fund additional City staff support needed during the design and permitting phase of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Austin City Council unanimously approved negotiation and execution by the City of the Design ILA as described in this Resolution at its May 21, 2026, meeting; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the ATP Board of Directors that the Executive Director or their designee is authorized to (1) negotiate and execute the Design ILA with the City as described in this resolution, and (2) fund the Design ILA in an initial amount of \$4,200,000 in accordance with the terms of the Design ILA.

Signed by:

Lee Crawford

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Secretary of the Board

6/18/2026 | 9:34 AM CDT

Date