



## Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

**Meeting Date:** August 13, 2013

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**Dept. Head:** Roger El Khoury, M.S., P.E., Director, FMD, 854-4579

**County Executive:** Leslie Browder, Planning and Budget, 854-9106

**Sponsoring Court Members:** County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Consider and take appropriate action on request from the Downtown Austin Alliance to use certain County parking lots for the reopening of Wooldridge Square on Saturday, September 14, 2013.

### BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Melissa Barry, Arts and Parks Director with the Downtown Austin Alliance made contact and requested the use of County owned parking lots for the Wooldridge Square reopening event on Saturday, September 14, 2013. Facilities Management Department (FMD) coordinated with Ms. Barry on the timing and need for parking. Ms. Barry advised they anticipated a need for 200-250 cars.

The parking lots on the University Saving Building block and the quarter lot directly across Guadalupe Street from Wooldridge Square can accommodate 226 vehicles, and are available for use on a Saturday without impact on County operations.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Facilities Management Department recommends approval for the use of the parking lots directly east and northeast of Wooldridge Square for public parking on Saturday, September 14, 2013.

### ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Approval of this request will provide additional free parking for citizens wishing to attend the events celebrating the reopening of Wooldridge Square. There are no costs to the County associated with approval of this request. Facilities Management Department Security personnel will be available during the day and evening to monitor the parking lot and respond to any problems.

**FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

None.

**ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS:**

N/A

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:**

Christopher Gilmore/Roxanne Bonner, County Attorney's Office