

Thursday, May 17, 2007

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 13

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the fee simple acquisition for the Austin Clean Water Program: Govalle 1- West of Lamar Area Wastewater Project for a temporary working space easement comprising 127 square-feet of land and a temporary ingress and egress easement comprising 22,806 square feet of land out of a portion of Lot 31, Block A, Wallingwood Section II-A P.U.D., a subdivision in Travis County, TX, located at 2800 Barton's Bluff Lane, from UDR Texas Properties, L.P., in an amount not to exceed \$52,200.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Improvement Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

The City of Austin is upgrading its wastewater collection system as mandated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Administrative Order, received April 29, 1999.

In response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Administrative Order, the City of Austin has assembled the Austin Clean Water Program to plan, design, and construct sustainable wastewater collection system improvements that will result in a collection system free from Sanitary Sewer Overflows.

The design plans for the Austin Clean Water Program: Govalle 1-West of Lamar Area Wastewater Improvements Project require the acquisition of a temporary working space easement comprising 127 square feet of land and a temporary ingress and egress easement comprising 22,806 square feet of land across property located at 2800 Barton's Bluff Lane, Austin, Travis Country ,Texas. It is estimated that this temporary easement will be required for at least 16 months for construction activities.

An independent third-party appraisal has established the combined fair-market value of the proposed easements at \$52,200. The owners have agreed to accept the City of Austin's offer for the temporary working space and temporary ingress and egress easements.