

Thursday, June 21, 2007

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 39

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the fee simple acquisition of Lot 15, Block H, Onion Creek Forest, Section 4, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, located at 7007 South Pleasant Valley Road, Austin Texas, from Ruth Ramos for the Onion Creek Voluntary Flood Buyout-FEMA-1606-DR Project, for the total amount of \$98,000 for the land and improvements.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Lauraine Rizer 974-7078, Laura Bohl 974-7064.

On July 27, 2006, Council approved and accepted \$6,255,823 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the Onion Creek Voluntary Flood Buyout-FEMA-1606-DR Project. The purpose of the project is to purchase and demolish up to 118 single-family structures in the floodplain of Onion Creek, an area significantly impacted during the floods of October 17, 1998 and November 15, 2001, and maintain the land as open space. The property and residence located at 7007 South Pleasant Valley Drive are part of the approved grant program.

The lot to be acquired is approximately 0.19 acres with improvements that include a 1,538 square-foot family dwelling (duplex). The market value of the property including improvements is \$98,000, as determined by independent appraisal. The owner has agreed to accept the City's offer.