Thursday, June 21, 2007

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 66

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City and Williamson County for the extension of Avery Ranch Boulevard from its current terminus to US 183A.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Williamson County, in a joint public/private partnership project between the County and a private developer, has constructed the extension of Avery Ranch Boulevard, which completes the connection of Avery Ranch Boulevard between Parmer Lane on the east and US 183a on the west. The project is located partly within the City of Austin's full purpose jurisdiction. Therefore it is necessary for the City and Williamson County to enter into an agreement pursuant to the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Texas Government Code Section 791.00 et seq., to allow the construction of the roadway.

The City is proposing to annex the remaining portion of this new section of Avery Ranch Boulevard in July 2007. This annexation will bring Avery Ranch Boulevard from Parmer Lane to US 183a completely within the City of Austin jurisdiction.

The construction of the Avery Ranch Boulevard extension is funded fully by Williamson County and the private developer. The City has monitored construction to ensure that the roadway is built according to the construction plans. On completion of the construction, and after a 12 month warranty period, the City will accept ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the roadway.