

AGENDA



Thursday, January 31, 2008

**Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 40**

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street Reroute, Phase I, Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, to acquire a 3,557 square foot permanent wastewater line easement, a 3,598 square foot temporary working space easement, and a 14,381 square foot temporary staging area and material storage site easement out of Lots 6 & 7 in the Mrs. A. J. Pace Subdivision, and part of that certain 30 foot wide alley dedicated in the Subdivision Plat of the Mrs. A. J. Pace Subdivision in Austin, Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$177,052. The owner of the needed property interests is R. Sue Long. The property is located at 612 West Monroe Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital 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 Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street Reroute: Phase I Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a permanent wastewater line easement, a temporary working space easement, and a temporary staging area and material storage site easement on the property located at 612 West Monroe Street, Austin, Texas. The City of Austin has attempted to purchase a 3,557 square-foot permanent wastewater line easement, a 3,598 square-foot temporary working space easement and a 14,381 square-foot temporary staging area and material storage site easement. The parties have been unable to agree on an appropriate price. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.