

Thursday, April 10, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION Item No. 13

**Subject:** Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street Wastewater Reroute and Area Improvements Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, to acquire a 2,859 square foot permanent wastewater line easement and a 1,015 square foot temporary working space easement out Lot1, Block C of the partition of the Estate of James E. Bouldin out of the Isaac Decker League in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$16,692. The owners of the needed property interests are Carrie D. York, Bill Evans, Fundamentals Group, Inc., dba Texas Perspectives, Inc., Jan Ode, Scott Mattfeld, Harvey Colin Hodges, Kalila B. Homannn, Seja Rachael, William L. Wolters, Shane Frampton Wolters, and Renee Miller. The property is located at 1310 South 1st Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the 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.

The design plans for the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street Wastewater Reroute and Area Improvements Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a permanent wastewater line easement and a temporary working space easement on the property located at 1310 South 1st Street, Austin, Texas. The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed permanent wastewater line easement and temporary working space easement from the landowners, however, the parties have been unable to agree on the fair market value thereof. The Law Department is requesting the authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.