## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 14

**Subject:** Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street Wastewater Re-Route and Area Improvements Project, a portion of Austin Clean Water Program, to acquire a 3,747 square foot permanent wastewater line easement, and three temporary working space easements (4,397 square foot, 518 square foot, and 829 square foot), out of Lot 9, Abe Williams Subdivision and Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 3, Oak Cliff Addition, two subdivisions in Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$15,450. The owner of the needed property interests is Margaret A. Quadlander aka Margaret C. Quadlander. The properties are located at/near 900 South 2nd 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 Re-Route Improvements Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a permanent wastewater line easement and three temporary working space easements on the property located at/near 900 South 2nd Street, Austin, Texas. The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed permanent wastewater line easement and temporary working space easements from the landowner; however, the parties have been unable to agree on a fair market value thereof. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.