## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 15

**Subject:** Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Govalle/Crosstown Sanitary Sewer Overflow Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, to acquire a 647 square foot permanent wastewater line easement out of Lot 13, Block A, Greenwood Heights, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$2,265. The owner of the needed property interest is Market Properties, L.P. The property is located at 1404 Greenwood Avenue, 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/Crosstown Sanitary Sewer Overflow Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a permanent wastewater line easement on the property located at 1404 Greenwood Avenue, Austin, Texas. The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed permanent wastewater line easement; however, 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.