Thursday, April 24, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 18

Subject: Approve resolution authorizing the negotiation and execution of an agreement to purchase easements for the Austin Clean Water Program as follows: Govalle 2 – Travis Heights Wastewater Improvement Project for a 36,233.14 square-foot temporary staging area and material storage site easement out of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Block 3, Norwood Heights, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, for a total amount of \$296,721. The owner of the needed property is Terrace Holdings, L.P., a Texas limited partnership. The property is located at 1006 Melissa Lane, 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 2 – Travis Heights Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a temporary staging area and material storage site easement on the property located at 1006 Melissa Lane. Austin. Texas.

An independent third-party appraisal has established the fair-market value of the proposed easement at \$296,721.