

AGENDA



Thursday, April 23, 2009

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 7**

Subject: Authorize the fee simple acquisition of 12,628 square feet for right-of-way and 28,275 square feet for a drainage sedimentation filtration easement out of the Theodore Bissel Survey No. 18, Abstract No.3 being a portion of Lot 20, Block F, Cherry Creek, Section 9-D1, a subdivision according to the plat of record in Book 86, Page 18D and 19A, located at 8701 West Gate Boulevard, from WILLIAM HOWELL AND WESLEY PEOPLES, for the West Gate Boulevard Project in an amount not to exceed \$132,016.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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The West Gate Boulevard Roadway Extension Project was initiated to connect existing portions of West Gate Boulevard to the north and south of the project site, from Cameron Loop to Cohoba Drive. Benefits for this project include providing area residents greater north-south traveling access, allowing Cowan Elementary School to establish one-way traffic flow through the property, and connecting the bicycle network.

This new segment of West Gate Boulevard will meet Major Arterial Divided Road 4 (MAD-4) criteria. The width of the roadway will be 114 feet across and include sidewalks and bicycle lanes on either side of the road, four traffic lanes, and a median approximately 20-24 feet wide. A water quality detention pond will be constructed at the southwest corner of the West Gate Boulevard and Cameron Loop intersection. A water quality retention control and irrigation system will be constructed on an existing pond easement on the west side of West Gate Boulevard, near the intersection of West Gate Boulevard and Cohoba Drive.

The owner and the City of Austin have agreed to a purchase price of \$132,016 for the Street Deed and the Drainage Sedimentation Filtration Easement.