

AGENDA



Thursday, February 10, 2011

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 8**

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire a 0.0486-acre drainage easement in connection with the Ridgelea Storm Drain Improvements Project out of Lot 3, Ridgelea Grove subdivision in Travis County, Texas, located at 1700 Emilie Lane, from Nancy Germond and John P. Pizzitola in an amount not to exceed \$67,962.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Lauraine Rizer 974-7078, Glen Taffinder 974-3381, Amanda Glasscock 974-7173.

The City of Austin, Watershed Protection Department is currently designing improvements to the storm drain system in the Ridgelea neighborhood. Part of the design involves stream bank stabilization along Shoal Creek. This part of the project is being accelerated due to increased erosion impacts from tropical storm Hermine with a goal to start construction by September 2011. The storm drain system improvements project has an anticipated construction start of January 2013.

The design plans for the Ridgelea Storm Drain Improvements Project require the acquisition of a drainage easement of 0.0486 acres of land across property located at 1700 Emilie Lane, Austin, Travis County, Texas.

An independent third party appraisal has established the fair-market value of the proposed easement at \$67,962. The owners have agreed to accept the City of Austin's offer for the drainage easement.