CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

7/28/11 Austin Water Utility

SUBJECT. Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the South IH-35 Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program Project to acquire a permanent waterline easement of 0.667-acre; a temporary working space easement of 0.445-acre; a temporary ingress and egress easement of 0.014-acre; and a temporary staging area and material storage site easement of 1.377-acre out of the Trinidad Varcinas Survey No. 535, Abstract No. 785, in Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$107,807. The owner of the needed property interests is ELEVEN-MILE HILL, LLC. The property is located north of SH 45/F.M. 1327, just east of IH-35, in Austin, Travis County, Texas.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department: Austin Water Utility

Project Name: So, IH35 Water Infrastructure Imps

Fund/Department/Unit: 3960 2207 7608 Funding Source: Commercial Paper

Current Appropriation:9,139,589.00Unencumbered Balance:612,123.51Amount of This Action:(107,807.00)Remaining Balance:504,316.51

Total Amount of this Action 107,807.00

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The southern area of the City of Austin Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ), specifically along and east of I-35, is currently experiencing significant development. At this time water and wastewater utility infrastructure is not in place to handle this development. Austin Water Utility has developed the South IH-35 Water & Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program Project to address the anticipated needs for both water and wastewater infrastructure in this area.

Design plans for the South IH-35 Water & Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program Project require the acquisition of a permanent waterline easement, a temporary working space easement, a temporary ingress and egress easement, and a temporary staging area and material storage site easement on the property located north of SH 45/F.M. 1327, just east of IH-35, in Austin, Travis County, Texas.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed easements. The City and the property owners were unable to agree on the value of the needed acquisitions. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.