

Authorize the negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable for the fee simple acquisition of a 12.62-acre tract of land out of Lot 4, Block H, Interport Planned Development, Travis County, Texas, located on Fallwell Lane, Austin, Texas, from New Interport, Ltd., a Texas Limited Partnership, to increase the land buffer and to support the planned expansion of Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center in an amount not to exceed \$998,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$998,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note	
A fiscal note is attached.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Sonny Poole, Manager, Public Involvement and Real Estate, 322-6442.
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Austin Energy seeks authorization to purchase 12.62 acres near the Sand Hill Energy Center to provide a larger land buffer for the power plant and to support the planned expansion of the combined cycle plant. This buffer will provide additional space around the existing plant and for future laydown and storage of equipment and materials during maintenance and construction projects. In April 2010, City Council approved Austin Energy's Resource, Generation, and Climate Protection Plan which proposes a build out of the Sand Hill Energy Center, adding 200 megawatts (MW) of combined cycle capacity.

The fair market value of the property is \$990,000, as determined by an independent third party appraisal, and the owner has agreed to sell for the appraised value. Additional funds are requested for closing costs associated with the purchase.