

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 10406 Agenda Number 71.

Meeting Date: 11/10/2011 Department: Office of Real Estate Services

## Subject

Set a public hearing to consider a resolution approving the use of approximately 600 square feet for permanent sidewalk purposes and approximately 2,200 square feet for temporary workspace purposes in connection with the construction, use, maintenance, repair, and replacement of a sidewalk that is a portion of the Group 10 ADA Sidewalk Improvements – Brodie Lane Project through a dedicated scientific area that is part of the Austin Water Utility's Water Quality Protection Lands known as Lot 7, Block "A", Mission Bethany Subdivision, in accordance with Sec. 26.001 et seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code. (Suggested date and time, December 8, 2011, 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX.)

## Amount and Source of Funding

All costs associated with construction, as well as any parkland restoration will be paid by requester.

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

For More Information:

Boards and Commission Action:

To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on November 9, 2011.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code provides that the use of scientific area, wildlife refuge or historic property for non-protected purposes may be approved upon a finding that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of this land.

The Neighborhood Connectivity Division of the Public Works Department is in the process of constructing sidewalk improvements along the west side of Brodie Lane from West Slaughter Lane to Brodie Springs Trail. A section of the sidewalk will need to be placed across a portion of Tract 3 of the Bradley Agreement which is part of a designated Water Quality Protection Zone. This will require approximately 600 square feet of the parcel for a permanent sidewalk and approximately 2,200 square feet for access and temporary working space purposes. The sidewalk improvements are the minimum necessary to bring this portion of Brodie Lane into compliance with the City of Austin Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan and the City of Austin Pedestrian Plan.

Approval of the use of scientific area is made on the condition that all restoration is completed in accordance with the Standard Specifications and Construction Standards of the City of Austin. The Neighborhood Connectivity Division is required to pay all costs associated with any required restoration and tree mitigation.

There is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of the scientific area, all reasonable planning to minimize harm to such lands has occurred. The dates of public notification in the Austin American-Statesman are November 13, November 20, and November 27, 2011.