

Recommendation for Council Action (Real Estate)

Austin City Council Item ID: 15836 Agenda Number 29.

Meeting Date: June 14, 2012

Department: Office of Real Estate Services

Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Spicewood Springs Pump Station Utility Improvements Project for 5,241 square feet for a permanent waterline easement being a portion of Lot 3, Spicewood Office Park, a Subdivision of Record in Volume 78, Page 182 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas in the amount of \$64,201. The owner of the needed property interests is MESA METRO, LLC, A TEXAS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The property is located at 8127 Mesa Drive, in Austin, Travis County, Texas 78759. The general route covered by this project will include the following areas: Spicewood Springs Pump Station site, extending from the western boundary of the site to Mesa Drive; Myrick Drive at Mesa Drive intersection; 4210/4212 Greystone Drive; Far West boulevard from Mesa Drive to Montana Norte; and the Northwest Hills area.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note	
A fiscal note is attached.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
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Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	
Additional Backup Information	

The Spicewood Springs Pump Station Utility Improvements Project consists of approximately 1,730 linear feet of 24-inch water main and appurtenances, including a valve vault and pressure sustaining vault and related valves within and adjacent to the Spicewood Springs Pump Station site, extending from the western boundary of the site to Mesa Drive through commercial retail property, including traffic control. The scope of this project also includes installation of a new 8-inch gate valve, including traffic control at Myrick Drive and Mesa Drive intersection; installation of a new Pressure Point monitor to include a new manhole, extension of 34" copper instrumentation tubing, related electrical and instrumentation work and traffic control at 4210/4212 Greystone Drive; installation of new 16-inch check and gate valves and related piping and 1,000 linear feet of 8-inch water main and related valves and appurtenances, including traffic control in Far West Boulevard from Mesa Drive to Montana Norte; and opening/closing of various existing valves in the Northwest Hills area as indicated in the construction plans. The purpose of this project is to add additional water lines in the area to improve water pressure.

The Spicewood Springs Pump Station Utility Improvements Project requires the acquisition of a permanent waterline easement at the property located at 8127 Mesa Drive, in Austin, Travis County, Texas 78759. The new waterline will be installed across this parcel by bore through the parking lot of the commercial office building located on this property. No disruption to the surface of this property will occur.

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