

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 37938 Agenda Number 192.

Meeting Date: 12/11/2014 Department: Office of Real Estate Services

Subject

Conduct a public hearing and consider a resolution regarding the permanent use of approximately 16,397 square feet of land and temporary working space use of approximately 17,992 square feet of land for construction, use, maintenance, repair, and replacement of a roadway for the Colony Park Sustainable Community Initiative Project, through dedicated parkland known as Colony Park, located along Loyola Lane between Johnny Morris Road and Decker Lane, in accordance with Sec. 26.001 et seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code.

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:	
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Boards and Commission Action:	December 9, 2014 – To be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Board.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code provides that the use of parkland for non-park purposes may be approved upon a finding that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of this land.

The Public Works Department is proposing the extension of Colony Loop and Colony Park Drive by approximately 100 linear feet each for the roadway extension. The project provides pedestrian, bicycle, vehicular and transit connectivity to adjacent neighborhoods, including Austin Colony Park neighborhood.

Approval of the use of parkland is made on the condition that all restoration is completed in accordance with the Standard Specifications and Construction Standards of the City of Austin and the Parks and Recreation Department's "Construction in Parks Specifications". Public Works Department will require a consultant pay all costs associated

with the restoration and tree mitigation as part of the site restoration process.

There is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of the dedicated parkland which includes all reasonable planning to minimize harm to such lands. The dates of public notification in the *Austin American-Statesman* are November 16, 23 and 30, 2014.