

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: March 22, 2018 Item Number: 055

Item(s) to Set Public Hearing(s)

Set a public hearing to consider a resolution for permanent use of approximately 273 square feet of dedicated parkland, known as Little Stacy Neighborhood Park, for dedication of public right of way at the intersection of Sunset Lane and Eastside Drive, in accordance with Chapter 26.001 et seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code. (Suggested date and time: April 26th, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, 301 West Second Street, Austin, TX.)

District(s) Affected: District 9

| Lead Department | Parks and Recreation Department |
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| Fiscal Note | All costs associated with construction, as well as any parkland restoration will be paid by requester. |
| For More Information | Liana Kallivoka, Assistant Director, (512) 974-9455; Vera Labriola Business Process Specialist, (512) 974-6716; Gregory Montes, Park Development Coordinator, (512) 974-9458; Janna Renfro, Engineer (512) 974-3422; Ricardo Soliz, Division Manager, (512) 974-7085; |
| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action | February 27, 2018 - Approved by the Parks and Recreation Board on a vote of 10-0 with Board Member Morgan absent. |

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 Watershed Protection Department proposes the vacation of 29,323 sq. ft. of Sunset Lane Right-of-Way (ROW), between Little Stacy Park and Blunn Creek and 922 sq. ft. of Eastside Drive ROW near its intersection with Sunset Lane. The vacation of the existing ROW will result in the construction of a 10'pedestrian and bike trail. As a result of this street vacation, the Development Services Department is requiring that 273 sq. ft. of Little Stacy Park be dedicated as ROW in order to maintain a proper width on Sunset Lane, where it intersects at Eastside Drive. No mitigation is required due to the net increase in parkland.

There is no feasible and prudent alternative to the change of use of the dedicated parkland which includes all reasonable planning to minimize harm to such lands. The dates of public hearing notification in the Austin American-Statesman are April 1st, 8th, and 15th, 2018.