

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: April 26, 2018 Item Number: 082

Public Hearing and Possible Action

Conduct a public hearing and consider a resolution for permanent use of approximately 273 sq. ft. of dedicated parkland, known as Little Stacy Neighborhood Park, for dedication as public right of way at the intersection of Sunset Lane and Eastside Drive, in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code.

District(s) Affected: District 9

Lead Department	Parks and Recreation Department
Fiscal Note	All costs associated with construction, as well as any parkland restoration will be paid by requester. This item has no fiscal impact.
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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, and that all reasonable planning has been done to minimize harm to such 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 were April 1st, 8th, and 15th, 2018.