

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 23

AGENDA DATE: Thu 12/02/2004

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SUBJECT: Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the FM 969 and Decker to 183 Project to acquire a 262 square foot permanent waterline easement located in the James Burleson Survey No. 19, Abstract No. 4, Travis County, TX, (Lot 1, Gerald Addition), in the amount of \$330. The owner of the property interest sought to be acquired is GRIESBACH PROPERTIES, INC., Austin, TX. The property is located at 7816 FM Road 969, Austin, TX.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

REQUESTING Public Works

DIRECTOR'S

DEPARTMENT: for Austin Water Utility, AUTHORIZATION: Sondra Creighton

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Lauraine Rizer, 974-7078; Laura Bohl, 974-7064

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

The design plans for the FM 969 and Decker to 183 Project require the acquisition of a permanent waterline easement on land located at 7816 FM Road 969, Austin, TX.

The City of Austin is relocating the utilities located in the Right-of-Way of FM Road 969 pursuant to a request from the Texas Department of Transportation in order to construct a raised median with left-turn lanes to improve traffic flow and enhance safety.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the permanent waterline easement from the landowner. However, the parties have been unable to agree on an appropriate price. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file a lawsuit in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.

RCA Serial#: 7130 Date: 12/02/04 Original: Yes

Published:

Disposition:

Adjusted version published:

RESOLUTION NO. 041202-

WHEREAS, the Council finds that acquisition of the property interest described in the attachment is necessary for a public use; and

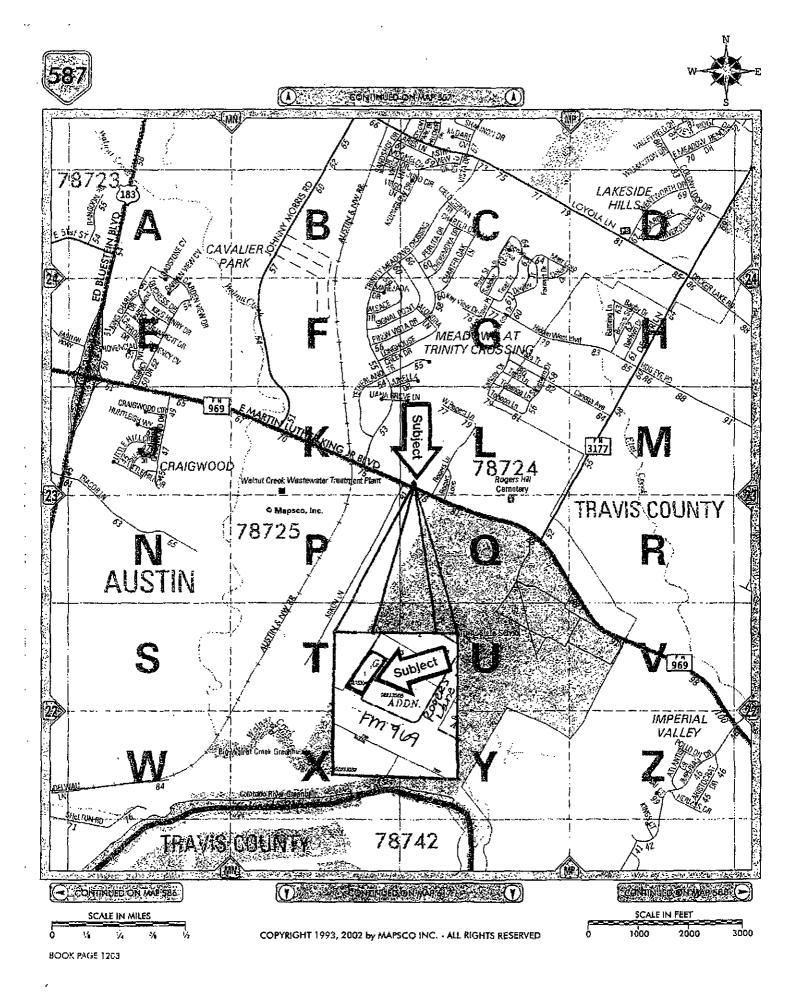
WHEREAS, the City has been unable to agree with the owner on the fair market value of the property interest to be acquired; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Attorney is authorized to file a suit in eminent domain and take other action deemed appropriate to economically effect the needed acquisition of the property interest.

The owner of the property interest to be acquired is Griesbach Properties, Inc., and the property is located at 7816 FM Road 969, Austin, Travis County, Texas.

ADOPTED:	December	2		2004
ATTEST:_				
			Shirley A. Brown	
			City Clerk	



CIP FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:	12/2/2004
WHERE ON AGENDA:	Resolution
DEPARTMENT:	Austin Water Utility

DESCRIPTION:

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the FM 969 and Decker to US 183 Project to acquire a 262 square foot permanent waterline easement out of Lot 1, Gerald Addition in Travis County, Texas in the amount of \$330. The owner of the property interests sought to be acquired is GRIESBACH PROPERTIES, INC., Austin, TX. The property is located at 7816 FM 969, Austin, TX.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Parent Project Name: Water Unfunded Future

Project Authorization: 2004-05 Approved Capital Budget

Funding Source: Commercial Paper Number: 3960 227 1019

Current Appropriation \$ 298,783,739.00

Unencumbered Balance 101,060,814.32 *

Amount of This Action (330.00)

Remaining Balance \$ 101,060,484.32

Current Available Balance \$ 102,694,815.32

Less Outstanding Commitments (1,634,001.00)

Estimated Unencumbered Balance \$ 101,060,814.32 *

Utility Finance: David Anders, Utilities Finance Manager

REF. # 3960 227 7368