

AGENDA



Thursday, February 25, 2010

Item(s) to Set Public Hearing(s)
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 65

Subject: Set a public hearing to consider the use of approximately 6,873 square feet permanent wastewater line, approximately 5,150 square feet temporary access and temporary workspace, to construct, use, maintain, repair, and replace a wastewater line for construction of a portion of the Airport at Chesterfield Wastewater Improvements through dedicated parkland known as Reilly Park, 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. (Suggested date and time: March 25, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by Parks and Recreation Board.

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 Austin Water Utility is proposing to repair and replace and relocate wastewater lines along Waller Creek. One of these lines will need to be relocated across Reilly Park. This will require approximately 6,873 sq. ft. of Reilly Park for a permanent wastewater line use and the approximately 5,150 square feet for access and temporary working space use. The Airport at Chesterfield Wastewater Improvements project will address the hydraulic capacity concerns, sanitary sewer overflows, damaged pipe and additional capacity.

Reilly Park is jointly owned by Austin Independent School District (AISD) and the City. AISD will present this project to the School Board for approval and join in the signature with the City on the Use Agreement.

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". The Austin Water Utility is required to 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 February 28, March 7 & 14, 2010.