

Thursday, July 29, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION Item No. 15

Subject: Authorize the negotiation and execution of a temporary construction staging area easement and temporary access easement for the Tillery Street Storm Drain Outfall Stabilization Project out of Lots 2 and 3, Block "A", Govalle Plaza Subdivision, a subdivision in City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, located at 2915 and 3013 East Cesar Chavez Street, from 3001 EAST CESAR CHAVEZ, LTD., in the amount not to exceed \$94,163.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$94,163 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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The design plans for the Tillery Street Storm Drain Outfall Stabilization Project require acquisition of 10,147 sq. ft. of temporary construction staging area easement and 24,940 sq. ft. of temporary access easement across land located at 2915 and 3013 East Cesar Chavez Street.

The construction project is needed to fix the significant erosion of the river bank of the Colorado River at the intersection of Tillery St. and Cesar Chavez Blvd. The erosion is causing the collapse of a 66 inch storm drain in the Tillery Street Right-of-Way (ROW), as well as causing property loss on two private properties adjacent to the ROW. The current easement acquisition is needed for temporary construction access to the Project Area, noted on the attached site map. There will be four additional easements required, both temporary and permanent, prior to beginning construction.

An independent third party appraisal has established the fair-market value of the proposed easements at \$94,163. The owners have agreed to accept the City of Austin's offer for the temporary staging area easement and the temporary access easement.