



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-1772, **Agenda Item #:** 2.

5/23/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire a permanent electric transmission and distribution easement from Chameleon Howard, LP consisting of three tracts of land for a total of approximately 0.514 of an acre or 22,399 square feet being a portion of Lot 1, Reed Central Austin, a subdivision recorded in Volume 94, Page 133 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, situated in the City of Austin, for the public purpose of electric transmission and distribution facilities necessary for the upgrade project of Transmission Circuits 1004 and 961, in an amount not to exceed \$137,286.

Lead Department

Austin Energy

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

May 13, 2019 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The purchase of this 22,399 square foot easement is necessary to upgrade the 1.7 mile Techridge to Howard Lane 138kV transmission line (Circuit 1004) with double circuit bundled conductors rated at 3000 amps per circuit. One of the upgraded circuits will be terminated at Howard Lane. The second circuit will bypass Howard Lane and tie into the existing Howard Lane to Jollyville 138kV transmission line (Circuit 961) to create a new Techridge to Jollyville circuit.

The upgrades will provide increased safety and reliability, as well as improved connectivity within the overall electric service system. Additional easement widths are necessary for safety and clearance requirements pursuant to the National Electric Safety Code, and for access and maintenance.

The property owner of the proposed easement accepted the appraised value of \$137,286, including closing costs, as compensation.