



## Recommendation for Action

**File #: 20-2151, Agenda Item #: 20.**

**6/4/2020**

### **Posting Language**

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the South Austin Regional WWTP Sludge Transfer Line and Reclaimed Water Line Project for the public use of ensuring the continued safe and reliable service of the sludge transfer line and the reclaimed water line between the South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant, the acquisition of approximately 0.6505 acre (28,338 square feet) for a reclaimed line easement, 0.6462 acre (28,147 square feet) for a wastewater easement, 3.516 acre (153,172 square feet) for a temporary working space, staging area and material storage site easement and 9.674 acre (421,411 square feet) for a temporary access easement in the amount of \$88,452. The owners of the needed property are TXI Operations, LP. The property is located at 13101 Harold Green Road, Austin, Texas 78725. The general route of the project is at the entrance of the South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant at 1017 Fallwell Lane, Austin TX 78617. The pipes will be run underground crossing Fallwell Lane and the Colorado River in a northwest direction within the Austin 2-mile Extraterritorial Jurisdiction, Travis County, Texas.

### **Lead Department**

Office of Real Estate Services.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$88,452 is available in the FY2019-2020 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

An existing sludge transfer line and a reclaimed water line are exposed on the banks of the Colorado River due to natural erosion over time. These lines represent possible points of failure for both South Austin Regional WWTP and Hornsby Bend BMP plant operations. In order to ensure the continued safe and reliable service, the pipeline project provides for redundancy of the sludge transfer line and the reclaimed water line between the South Austin Regional WWTP and Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant.

The Scope of this project includes the complete construction of approximately 1,720 linear feet of 16-inch high-density polyethylene (HDPE) sludge main installed by horizontal directional drilling, approximately 1,720 linear feet of a parallel 16-inch HDPE sludge main installed by horizontal directional drilling, 1,860 linear feet of 30-inch HDPE reclaimed water main installed by horizontal direction drilling, approximately 370 linear feet of 16-inch HDPE sludge main of open-cut between depths of 15 to 23 feet, with appurtenances, approximately 340 linear feet of 16-inch HDPE sludge main of open-cut between depths of 15 to 23, with appurtenances, approximately 375 linear feet of 30-inch HDPE reclaimed water main of open-cut between depths of 10 to 23 feet, with appurtenances, four wastewater valve access manholes, and associated appurtenances including ductile iron pipe transitions, valves and thrust restraints.

The reclaimed lined easement consists of a 0.6505 acre (28,338 square feet) Tract of land, is situated in the

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JOSEPH DUTY SURVEY NUMBER 20, ABSTRACT 9, being a portion of a 194.8240 acre tract conveyed to TXI Operations, LP in Document No. 2005007841, Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas. The Waterline easement consisting of a 0.6462 acre (28,147 square feet) Tract of land, is situated in the JOSEPH DUTY SURVEY NUMBER 20, ABSTRACT 9, being a portion of a 194.8240 acre tract conveyed to TXI Operations, LP in Document No. 2005007841, Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas. The temporary working space, staging area and material storage easement consisting of a 3.516 acre (153,172 square feet) Tract of land, is situated in the JOSEPH DUTY SURVEY NUMBER 20, ABSTRACT 9, being a portion of a 194.8240 acre tract conveyed to TXI Operations, LP in Document No. 2005007841, Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas. The temporary access easement consisting of a 9.674 acre (421,411 square feet) Tract of land, is situated in the JOSEPH DUTY SURVEY NUMBER 20, ABSTRACT 9, 1.878 acres being a portion of a 194.8240 acre tract conveyed to TXI Operations, LP in Document No. 2005007841, Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, and 7.796 acres being a portion of a 353.08 acre tract conveyed to TXI Operations, LP in Volume 13170 Page 656, Real Property Records of Travis County, Texas.

The easements we are requesting are needed to access the north side of the Colorado River and to accomplish the installation of the pipelines.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed property at 13101 Harold Green Road. The City and the property owners have been unable to agree on the value of the needed acquisition. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

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