



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2582, **Agenda Item #:** 66.

8/26/2021

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Williamson Creek Interceptor project requiring the acquisition of one Wastewater Line Easement for a Subterranean Tunnel being approximately 0.091 of an acre of land, (3,972 square feet) in the William Cannon League, Survey No. 19, Abstract No.6 in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, being out of a 5.710 acre tract of land having been conveyed to Nasreddine Ramzi, et. al. by instrument of record in volume 2004156756 of the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas; in the amount of \$8,901, for the public use of replacing a wastewater tunnel to increase capacity for future growth in the Williamson Creek basin. The owners of the needed property are Ramzi Nasreddine, Abir Nasreddine, and RN, Inc. The property is located in District 3 at 5101 South Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78745. The general route of this project is along Williamson Creek, from South 1st Street to South Pleasant Valley Road, with numerous tie-in cutovers throughout to connect local wastewater flows to the new tunnel.

Lead Department

Office of Real Estate Services

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$8,901 is available in the FY 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

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Additional Backup Information:

Austin Water (AW) is planning to install a new 72-inch diameter gravity wastewater interceptor along and near Williamson Creek, from South 1st Street to South Pleasant Valley Road. The existing wastewater pipeline in Williamson Creek is reaching the end of its useful life and is projected to be nearing its capacity as growth continues in the area. This project is proposed to be funded in part by Texas Water Development Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund and by Capital Improvement plan dollars.

This project will install over 19,800 linear feet (3.75 miles) of 72-inch wastewater interceptor via a tunneling construction method as well as twenty-two connection locations to divert localized wastewater flows to the new interceptor. The local tie-ins range from 8-inch to 24-inch diameter wastewater pipelines and will be primarily constructed via tunneling or traditional open-cut construction. This project also includes proper abandonment and removal of most of the existing interceptor and environmental restoration of any affected project areas.

Future items will be brought to Council to award the contract to construct this project.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed property at 5101 South Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78745. Negotiations have come to an impasse. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file

an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.