

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3424, Agenda Item #: 59.

11/18/2021

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Loop 360 at Westlake Waterline Relocation Project and the public use of accommodating roadway improvements, relocation of waterline infrastructure in conflict, and the acquisition of a Water Line Easement being 0.468 acre (20,386 square feet) of land, a Temporary Work Space easement being 0.024 of an acre (1,055 square feet) and a Temporary Ingress and Egress Easement being 0.571 of one acre (24,873 square feet) of land; all being out of and a part of the Burke Trammel Survey No.3, Abstract No. 768 in Travis County, Texas, same being a portion of Lot 1, Block A, Lake Side Addition, amended plat of Lots 40, 41, 42, 45, 46, 49, 50, 53 and 54 recorded in Document 200000160 of the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas conveyed to Riverbend Church, formerly known as Riverbend Baptist Church in the amount of \$262,120. The owner of the needed property is Riverbend Church. The property is located at 4214 North Capital of Texas Highway, Austin, Texas 78746. The general route of the project is along Loop 360 south of Plaza on the Lake toward Cedar Street and ending at Westlake Dr.

Lead Department

Office of Real Estate Services

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of Austin Water

Prior Council Action:

August 26, 2021: Approval of an Advance Funding Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation for Relocation of Existing Utilities in the conflict with Loop 360 Improvement Project: approved on consent Council Member Pool's motion, Council Member Tovo's second on a 9-0 vote. Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison and Council Member Kelly were off the dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

This project is for the relocation and adjustment of existing water and wastewater lines and appurtenances in conflict with TxDOT's Loop 360 Road project from Westlake Drive to Plaza on the Lake.

The work consists of relocating approximately 11,080 feet of water line and 1,685 feet of wastewater line and appurtenances. TxDOT's project scope includes lowering Loop 360 to become an underpass at Westlake Drive and Cedar Street. Austin Water's existing water and wastewater lines are required to be adjusted to accommodate the proposed roadway improvements. The relocation of Austin Water's water and wastewater lines will be included in the TxDOT contract. TxDOT anticipates starting the letting (bid) process for the roadway and utility construction in January 2022.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed property at 4214 North Capital of Texas Highway.

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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): Mobility.