

# City of Austin

#### Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2513, Agenda Item #: 102.

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#### Posting Language

Set a public hearing to be conducted in accordance with Texas Parks and Wildlife Code Chapter 26 to consider a resolution authorizing changes in use of dedicated parkland, known as Jimmy Clay Golf Course, Roy Kizer Golf Course, Onion Creek Soccer Complex, and Onion Creek Metropolitan Park (north and south entrances), for Austin Water to construct, operate, maintain, and repair approximately 17,000 linear feet of reclaimed water main. The water main will require permanent use of approximately 175,136 square feet for operation, maintenance, and repair of the water main and approximately 662,128 square feet of temporary use area for construction. (Suggested date and location: September 1, 2022, Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX.).

### Lead Department

Parks and Recreation Department, Office of Real Estate Services.

#### Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

#### For More Information:

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Lead Department - Office of Real Estate Services, Michael Gates, Interim Officer, (512) 974-5639 Sponsoring Department - Austin Water, Brent Crawford, Reclaimed Water Manager, (512) 974-3542 Managing Department - Public Works Department, John Wepryk, Project Manager, (512) 974-7010

#### Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

Recommended by the Parks and Recreation Board on June 27, 2022.

#### Additional Backup Information:

Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code provides that the use of parkland for non-park purposes may be approved upon findings that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of the parkland and that all reasonable planning has been undertaken to minimize harm to such land.

Austin Water proposes to construct approximately 3.5 miles of reclaimed water main in southeast Austin, from Jimmy Clay Drive to Nuckols Crossing Road, and requires permanent and temporary easements in the five parks the line will traverse. The water main will provide irrigation to the parks and also be available to serve public schools and the Goodnight Ranch development on Nuckols Crossing Road. Horizontal directional drilling will be used to cross Williamson and Onion Creeks and construction is planned for September 2022 through July 2024.

Upon approval of this item, the Parks and Recreation Department will collect \$818,542 as mitigation for the permanent and temporary uses of the parks.

The Parks and Recreation Board reviewed the project at the June 27, 2022, meeting and recommended that Council approve it. This item is brought forward because there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of the dedicated parkland, and all reasonable planning has been and will be taken to minimize harm to such

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lands. The dates of public notification in the Austin American-Statesman will be August 7, 14 and 21, 2022.

<u>Strategic Outcome(s):</u> Health and Environment, Government that Works for All.