Public Hearing AGENDA ITEM NO.: 50

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<u>SUBJECT:</u> Set a public hearing to approve using approximately 0.262 acres for a wastewater line and 0.870 acres for temporary work space to construct, use, maintain, repair, and replace a wastewater line for construction of a portion of the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street & East Bouldin Creek Relief Interceptor through dedicated parkland known as Town Lake Park, and in accordance with Sec. 26.001 et seq. of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code. (Suggested date and time: April 7, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers)

<u>AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:</u> All costs associated with the construction, as well as any parkland mitigation and restoration, will be paid by the requestor.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING

Public Works

DIRECTOR'S

DEPARTMENT:

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: To be reviewed by the Parks Board on 3/22/05.

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

Chapter 26 of the Parks and Wildlife Code provides that the use of parkland for non-park purposes may be approved upon a finding that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of this land.

There is an existing Wastewater Line Interceptor located in various sections of East Bouldin Creek, between Oltorf Road and Barton Springs Road. Portions of the line are fully exposed and either supported by concrete piers or suspended by cables over the creek. A realignment of the interceptor in East Bouldin Creek allows for a deeper interceptor to be constructed, mostly within street right-of-way. This allows the aerial crossings over East Bouldin Creek to be eliminated.

The portion of the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street & East Bouldin Creek Relief Interceptor located within Town Lake Park is the most critical and time sensitive. This segment of the project serves as the downstream connecting point to the existing 60-inch outfall centrally located within Town Lake Park. This connection point allows for construction of a deeper interceptor, thus eliminating the aerial crossings over East Bouldin Creek. This segment will consist of underground tunneling and will not disrupt the day to day activities to and from the Palmer Events Center. Also, this segment has to be expedited so that it can be completed prior to beginning major reconstruction of Town Lake Park later this year. The remainder of the Govalle 1 – South 2nd Street & East Bouldin Creek Relief Interceptor will not be constructed until 2006.

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Approval of the use of the parkland is recommended, subject to the following mitigation for use of parkland: (1) all parkland restoration is completed in accordance with PARD's "Construction I Parks Specifications". The requestor, Austin Clean Water Program-on behalf of the Austin Water Utility and the Public Works Department, will pay all costs associated with project construction and all parkland restoration.

There is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of the dedicated parkland, which includes all reasonable planning to minimize harm to such lands. The dates of public notification in the Austin American-Statesman are March 13, March 20, and March 27, 2005.

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