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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	24317	Agenda Number	39.
Meeting Date:	5/23/2013		Department:	Public Works
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of a Multiple Use Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the construction, maintenance, and operation of the Boardwalk Trail at Lady Bird Lake under Interstate Highway 35 on the south shore; and approve a corresponding resolution expressing the City's intent to maintain the hike and bike trail and all features constructed in association with it, in accordance with the terms of the proposed agreement.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Fiscal Note				
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	<p>March 27, 2008: Council approved the negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with Carter & Burgess, Inc.; March 5, 2009: Council approved the alignment of the Boardwalk Trail at Lady Bird Lake as a preliminary concept; October 15, 2009: Council approved the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement for additional design services to route more of the trail over land; May 26, 2011: Council approved a second amendment for additional design services to complete construction. June 28, 2012: Council approved execution of a construction contract and a budget amendment for related funding. June 28, 2012: Council approved a resolution authorizing relocation of portions of the Lady Bird Lake shoreline and passed Ordinance 20126028-142 for floodplain variances related thereto.</p>			
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Boards and Commission Action:	Reviewed by the Urban Transportation Commission. Recommended by the Design Commission, the Waterfront Planning Advisory Board, the Parks and Recreation Board and the Environmental Board. Conditional Use Permit approved with conditions by the Planning Commission.			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				

This Multiple Use Agreement will allow the City of Austin to construct, maintain and operate the Boardwalk Trail at Lady Bird Lake located in the Interstate Highway 35 right of way. The corresponding resolution expresses the City's intent to maintain the hike and bike trail and all features constructed in association with the trail in accordance with the terms of the proposed agreement.

The Boardwalk Trail project will provide a missing link in the Butler Hike and Bike Trail along the shores of Lady Bird Lake. It will eliminate the less safe detour onto a busy section of the Riverside Drive sidewalk, including the Interstate Highway 35 intersection. The approximately 7,100 linear foot of trails will be partially over lake waters and partially over land through City parkland, Texas Department of Transportation right of way, and easements from several developers. Trailhead facilities at the eastern gateway off Lakeshore Boulevard will include a new restroom and a terraced landscape area. Construction began in October 2012 and is anticipated to be completed in May of 2014.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department and is located within zip codes 78704 and 78741.