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Recommendation for Council Action (Real Estate)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

45416

Agenda Number

20.

Meeting Date:

June 4, 2015

Department:

Office of Real Estate Services

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an encroachment agreement with the BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM for the encroachment of street right-of-way by a pedestrian bridge at the 300 block of West Dean Keeton Street, located approximately one block east of Guadalupe Street. (District 9).

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing
Language:

Prior Council
Action:

For More
Information:

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Boards and
Commission
Action:

April 7, 2015 - Approved by the Zoning and Platting Commission on a 5-0 vote with Chair Betty Baker and Commissioner Sean Compton absent.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

A request has been received for the encroachment of the West Dean Keeton Street right-of-way by a pedestrian bridge, located approximately one block east of Guadalupe Street. The areas of right-of-way encroachment will include the aerial span of the bridge itself and the surface and subsurface components of the supporting pier, which will be located in the existing median.

The pedestrian bridge will connect the University of Texas' College of Communication buildings on the north and south sides of West Dean Keeton Street and is intended for use by students, faculty, and staff. The bridge is also intended to provide a gateway feature for entering the University of Texas campus from Guadalupe Street.

Staff approval of the encroachment was conditioned upon: 1) No widening of the existing street median or narrowing of existing lane widths, 2) the applicant paying for utility relocation, if needed, and 3) a letter of intent from the University of Texas committing to provide Great-Streets-like improvements on the south side of Dean Keeton Street.

The appraised value of the encroachment is \$50,532. A check in the amount of the appraised value has been submitted to the Office of Real Estate Services for processing upon approval of this encroachment application.

Per the requirement established in Ordinance No. 20130822-027, the applicant has submitted a check in the amount of \$3,500 to reimburse the City for the cost of the appraisal.

As required by City Code Section 14-11-54, public notices were sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to registered neighborhood associations whose boundaries include the area of proposed encroachment. No objections were received. The applicant has reimbursed the City for the cost associated for these notices, as required by City Code, in the amount of \$71.28.