

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Real Estate)**

Austin City Council	Item ID:	45759	Agenda Number	48.
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Meeting Date:	August 20, 2015
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Department:	Office of Real Estate Services
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**Subject**

Set a public hearing to consider the change of use of a portion of dedicated parkland known as Balcones District Park, consisting of approximately 2,525 square feet for permanent wastewater line, approximately 18,342 square feet for temporary access, approximately 4,443 square feet for temporary working space, and approximately 36,923 square feet for temporary staging area and material storage site, to construct, use, maintain, repair, and replace a wastewater line for construction of a portion of the Waters Park Wastewater Line Project in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code (District 10). (Suggested date and time, October 1, 2015, 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, TX.)

**Amount and Source of Funding**

All costs associated with construction, as well as any parkland restoration will be paid by requester.

**Fiscal Note**

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

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	
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Boards and Commission Action:	September 22, 2015 - To be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Board.
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Related Items:	
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**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 a finding that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of this land.

The Austin Water Utility Department is proposing to replace an existing 30-inch diameter wastewater line with a proposed 36-inch diameter wastewater line to handle growth in the area. This line will be installed across Balcones District Park.

Approval of the use of parkland is made on the condition that all restoration is completed in accordance with the

Standard Specifications and Construction Standards of the City of Austin and the Parks and Recreation Department's "Construction in Parks Specifications". The Austin Water Utility Department is required to pay all costs associated with the restoration and tree mitigation as part of the site restoration process.

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 September 6, 13 and 20, 2015.