



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 20-1707, **Agenda Item #:** 86.

3/26/2020

### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire a permanent electric transmission and distribution easement consisting of approximately 0.227 acres (9,880 square feet) of land for the purpose of upgrading the capacity of Circuits 1004 and 961 and the overall electric system, located at 915 W. Howard Lane and being a part of Lot 2, Reed Central Austin, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, recorded in Volume 94, Page 133 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, and Lot 1 being described to Kumusha Investments, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability company in that certain Special Warranty Deed recorded in document number 2009021276 of the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$245,000, including standard and customary closing costs.

### **Lead Department**

Austin Energy

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$245,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

### **For More Information:**

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

February 10, 2020 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Collier-Brown, Funkhouser and Stone absent.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

This project will upgrade the 1.7 mile Techridge-Howard Lane 138kV transmission line (CKT 1004) with double circuit bundled 795 ACSS Drake conductors, which are rated at 3000 amps per circuit. One of the upgraded circuits will be terminated at Howard Lane. The second circuit will bypass Howard Lane and tie into the existing Howard Lane-Jollyville 138kV transmission line (CKT 961) to create a new Techridge-Jollyville circuit.

The upgrades will provide increased safety and reliability, as well as improved connectivity within the overall electric service system. Additional easement widths are necessary for safety and clearance requirements pursuant to the National Electric Safety Code, and for access and maintenance.

The property owner of the proposed 9,880 square feet of easement has accepted the appraised value as compensation.

### **Strategic Outcome(s):**

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