



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2389, **Agenda Item #:** 122.

7/29/2021

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the South Lamar Boulevard Corridor Project for the public use of acquiring street right of way (fee simple) for the construction of a shared-use-path route and landscaping within the project area that will address congestion and enhance safety for pedestrians and cyclists, the acquisition of one Fee Simple tract being 0.0399 of one acre (1736 sq. ft.) parcel, out of the Isaac Decker League No. 20, Abstract No. 8, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, being out of that tract described as 0.455 of one acre conveyed to Ladies of the Eighties, LP., by deed executed January 12, 2012, as recorded in document no. 2012005580, Official Public Records, Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$308,484 (appraisal amount). The owner of the needed property is Ladies of The Eighties LP, a Texas limited partnership. The property is located within District 5 at 2310 S Lamar Blvd., Unit A, Austin, TX 78704. The general route of the project is along South Lamar Boulevard between Riverside Drive to US 290.

Lead Department

Office of Real Estate Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.

Prior Council Action:

September 3, 2020 - City Council approved an ordinance authorizing the negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to purchase in fee simple or acquire other real property interest in properties throughout the City that are necessary to construct mobility improvements for the Corridor Construction Program in a total amount not to exceed \$23,000,000 establishing acquisition and relocation guidelines, and waiving requirements of City Code Chapter 14-3 (Relocation Benefits).

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Additional Backup Information:

This request is related to Corridor Construction Program improvements, which are funded by the 2016 Mobility Bond.

The general route of the project is along South Lamar Boulevard between Riverside Drive to US 290. The project is expected to reduce vehicular delay, improve the effectiveness of transit, create continuous ADA-compliant sidewalks, and continuous bicycle facilities along the entire length of the project. The property to be acquired by virtue of this request will be utilized for street right of way (fee simple) construction of a shared-use-path route and landscaping within the project area that will address congestion and enhance safety for pedestrians and cyclists. This roadway and shared-use-path are critical components of the project.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed property at 2310 S Lamar Blvd., Unit A, Austin, TX,

78704. The city and property owner have been unable to agree on the value of the needed acquisition. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety, Mobility.