

City of Austin



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2200, Agenda Item #: 30.

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Posting Language

Authorize the negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire a miscellaneous easement from the State of Texas, acting by and through the Commissioner of the General Land Office, on behalf of the Permanent School Fund for approximately .6233 of an acre, being generally located south of Cesar Chavez Street, west of Willow Street, and north of Lady Bird Lake, for a total amount not to exceed \$170,000 including closing costs.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$170,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Prior Council Action:

July 5, 2010: City Council passed and approved Ordinance 20100624-151 which included the adoption of The Waller Creek Master Plan.

September 23, 2010: Council approved Resolution No. 2010923-090 directing City Manager to explore public-private partnerships with Waller Creek Conservancy.

April 8, 2011: City Council repealed Ordinance No. 20100624-151 and deleted Section 5-28 of the Austin Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan through a Memorandum of Understanding.

April 28, 2011: City Council adopted Resolution No. 20110428-013 approving the award of a construction contract for a flood control tunnel.

October 18, 2012: City Council approved Resolution No. 20121018-068 affirming the selection of the design chosen by the Waller Creek Design Completion Jury relating to the revitalization of the Waller Creek District.

May 24, 2018: City Council approved Ordinance No. 20180524-013 approving the Amended Design Plan for the District.

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Additional Backup Information:

This acquisition facilitates Confluence Project construction within the Waterloo Greenway, as part of the Council-approved Design Plan for the Waller Creek District. The City, in partnership with the Waterloo Greenway Conservancy, will be able to build and maintain improvements to the creek bed, banks, and trail

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system along Waller Creek between Lady Bird Lake and Cesar Chavez in downtown Austin. Funding is through the Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

The purchase price of \$150,000 does not exceed the fair market value of the property. The amount of the purchase price plus closing costs is not to exceed \$170,000.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.