

# City of Austin

# Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2002, Agenda Item #: 43.

6/16/2022

# Posting Language

Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of a Project Partnership Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers; and amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Watershed Protection Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund to accept and appropriate \$9,025,000 from the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the Confluence Construction Project; and amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Watershed Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20210811-001) to transfer in \$9,025,000 from the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the Confluence Construction Project.

# Lead Department

Watershed Protection Department.

### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$9,025,000 is available from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. A City funding match is required. A match of local funds in the amount of \$3,008,333 is required, which is available from the Watershed Protection Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget funded from Urban Structural Control Fund and Certificates of Obligation. Fiscal notes are attached.

### Prior Council Action:

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.

May 24, 2018: City Council approved Ordinance No. 20180524-012 approving Amendment No. 2 to the Project and Financing Plan for Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone No. 17, providing an additional \$110 million to finance projects in the updated Project Plan.

### For More Information:

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# Additional Backup Information:

This Agreement and related federal funding through the U.S Army Corps of Engineers support construction of the Confluence within the Waterloo Greenway, part of the Council-approved Design Plan for the Waller Creek District. The Confluence Project will improve the stability and ecology of over 2,500 feet of Waller Creek, from 4th street to where it joins Lady Bird Lake. Using biotechnical engineering techniques, the stability of the creek will be restored to allow for the creation of a continuous hike and bike trail along the creek, while improving water quality and aesthetics.

# Strategic Outcome(s):

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Safety, Health and Environment.