



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1534, **Agenda Item #:** 31.

4/20/2023

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings and payment to acquire the property interests needed for the DIST9 INF8 Parkland Trail Project, for the public use of constructing sidewalk, trail and recreational improvements providing public connectivity to parks along West Bouldin Creek requiring the acquisition of a Sidewalk, Trail and Recreational Easement, consisting of approximately 0.2218 acres of land out of a portion of Lot 5 of The Maufrais Subdivision, a subdivision of record in Volume 90, Page 90, of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, described in a deed to Temple Square Center Ltd., recorded in Document No. 2001096152, Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, currently appraised at \$210,699, subject to an increase in value based on updated appraisals or a Special Commissioner's award. The owner of the needed property is Temple Center Square, Ltd. The property is located at 1509 South Lamar Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78704. The general route of this project is along Union Pacific Railroad, from Evergreen Avenue to West Gibson Street, on the west side of the railroad and east of South Lamar Boulevard.

Lead Department

Financial Service Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

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Additional Backup Information:

The purpose of this acquisition is to acquire approximately 0.2218 acres located along the Union Pacific Railroad for park and recreation purposes. Located at 1509 S. Lamar Boulevard, this property will function as an off-street trail connector to parks along West Bouldin Creek. This acquisition is funded by the 2018 Bond, Proposition C. The general route of this project is along the Union Pacific Railroad, from Evergreen Avenue to West Gibson Street, on the west side of the railroad and east of South Lamar Boulevard.

The City has attempted to purchase the needed property at 1509 S. Lamar Boulevard, Austin, Texas 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, and to authorize the City to pay for the property interest in an amount determined by the appraisal, updated appraisal (s), or a Special Commissioners' award.