

# City of Austin

# Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2465, Agenda Item #: 91.

9/14/2023

### Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings and payment to acquire the property interests needed for the Williamson Creek Interceptor project for the public use of replacing a wastewater tunnel with increased capacity for future growth in the Williamson Creek basin, requiring the acquisition of one wastewater easement consisting of approximately 0.035 acre tract of land (1,541 sq. ft.) being out of and a portion of a 0.745 acre tract in the William Cannon Survey No. 19, Abstract No.6, in Travis County, Texas. Said 0.745 acre tract having been conveyed to Paula Bailey, M.D., P.L.L.C. Defined Benefit Plan by instrument of record in Document No. 2019135639 of the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, currently appraised at \$2,374 subject to an increase in value based on updated appraisals or a Special Commissioner's award. The owner of the needed property is Paula Bailey, MD., P.L.L.C. Defined Benefit Plan. The property is located at 5211 Wasson Road, Austin, Texas 78745. The general route of the project is along Williamson Creek, from South 1st Street to South Pleasant Valley Road.

### Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

#### Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

#### For More Information:

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## Additional Backup Information:

Austin Water will be installing a new gravity wastewater interceptor along and near Williamson Creek, from South 1st Street to South Pleasant Valley Road. The existing wastewater pipeline in Williamson Creek is reaching the end of its useful life and is projected to be nearing its capacity as growth continues in the area. Council should expect to see a future Recommendation for Council Action to award the construction contract for this project. This project is proposed to be funded in part by Texas Water Development Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund and by Capital Improvement plan dollars.

This acquisition will allow Austin Water the ability to complete the needed wastewater infrastructure work.

The City has attempted to purchase the needed property at 5211 Wasson Road, Austin, Texas 78745. 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.