

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT REGARDING THE COORDINATION OF THE SPICEWOOD SPRINGS ROAD WATER CROSSING #1

THIS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ("ILA") is between the City of Austin and Travis County, a political subdivision of the States of Texas ("Travis County"), regarding the coordination of the Spicewood Springs Road Low Water Crossing #1.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department mission is to inspire Austin to learn, play, protect, and connect by creating diverse programs and experiences in sustainable natural spaces and public places; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin Watershed Protection Department mission is to protect lives, property and the environment of its community by reducing the impact of flood, erosion and water pollution; and

WHEREAS, Travis County's goals are to promote the well-being of its residents through social, economic, and health and safety initiatives, and to preserve and protect the environment and natural resources within Travis County through responsible land stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department has recently acquired over 20 acres of parkland along Upper Bull Creek and Spicewood Springs Road; and

WHEREAS, Travis County has initiated the Spicewood Springs Road Low Water Crossing #1 project to construct a new bridge over Bull Creek where the City of Austin has recently acquired new parkland; and

WHEREAS, the existing low water crossing that this new bridge is meant to replace would benefit users of the Bull Creek Greenbelt as a non-vehicular crossing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Austin and Travis County enter into this Interlocal Agreement outlining the use of the existing low water crossing #1 at Spicewood Springs Road and Bull Creek:

1. Travis County shall design, fund, and construct a new bridge over Bull Creek ("the Project") that incorporates leaving the existing low water crossing in place as a non-vehicular crossing as part of the Bull Creek Greenbelt .
2. The existing low water crossing and connecting trail shall become the maintenance responsibility of the City of Austin upon completion of the Project, and the existing low water crossing will be closed to vehicular traffic (with the exception of necessary City vehicles).
3. Travis County shall provide an As-Built survey to the City of Austin appropriate to be used by the City of Austin in order for the bridge to be incorporated within the City of Austin's floodplain model or in a Letter of Map Revision application.
4. The City of Austin shall complete an engineering study to update the floodplain maps for Bull Creek that will incorporate the new bridge into the updated floodplain model, and such study would relieve Travis County of processing a Letter of Map Revision with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

5. Should the Project’s construction remain incomplete after the City of Austin’s floodplain mapping project, the City will fund, produce, and submit a Letter of Map Revision to FEMA that incorporates the new bridge.

MUTUAL COOPERATION

The Parties agree to cooperate in the facilitation of any necessary revisions to this ILA, and any associated Exhibits.

This ILA may be modified only upon written consent of the Director of the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department, the Director of the City of Austin Watershed Protection Department, and Flood Administrator for Travis County, or by their duly authorized representatives. This ILA is executed to be effective this ____ day of _____, 2023.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

CITY OF AUSTIN

TRAVIS COUNTY

By:

Kirk Watson
City of Austin Mayor

By:

Andy Brown
Travis County Judge