



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-2707, Agenda Item #: 47.

10/22/2026

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings and payment to acquire the property interests needed in support of Austin Watershed Protection's Barton Creek - Oak Acres Creek Flood Risk Reduction Project, for the public use of flood mitigation and to improve roadway access to the neighborhood during large storm events requiring the acquisition of a public utility easement consisting of .0498 of one acre (1,308 square foot) and a temporary working space easement consisting of 0.0300 of one acre (1,308 square foot), both being out of the Thomas Anderson Survey No. 17, Abstract No. 2, Travis County, Texas, being a portion of Lot 24-B, resubdivision of a portion of Oak Acres, a subdivision of record in Book 9, Page 91, Plat Records, Travis County, Texas, said Lot 24-B conveyed to Luis Gonzalez and Maria Calleja by Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien dated February 14, 2025, as recorded in Document Number 2025016716, Official Public Records, Travis County, Texas, currently collectively appraised at \$7,992, subject to an increase in value based on updated appraisals, a Special Commissioner's award, negotiated settlement, or judgment. The owners of the needed property are Luis Gonzalez and Maria Calleja. The property is located at 5673 Oak Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78735. The general route of the project is from 5677 Oak Boulevard to 5600 Oak Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78735. Funding: \$7,992 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Watershed Protection.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Watershed Protection.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Oak Acres subdivision is Watershed Protection's highest priority list for local flood hazard mitigation. The low-water crossing at Oak Acres serves as the single point of access to the neighborhood, which can become impassable due to flooding. This has caused the neighborhood to be cut off with no emergency access in or out during flood events. The main objective of the Barton Creek - Oak Acres Creek Flood Risk Reduction project is to mitigate local flooding and to improve roadway access to the neighborhood during large storm events. The general route of the project is from 5677 Oak Boulevard to 5600 Oak Boulevard.

The City has attempted to purchase the needed property at 5673 Oak Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78735. The lienholder is refusing to grant a lienholder consent. 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), Special Commissioners' award, negotiated settlement, or judgment.