



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 25-0782, **Agenda Item #:** 114.

4/24/2025

### **Posting Language**

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings and payment to acquire the property interests needed for the Interstate Highway 35 Central Water/Wastewater Relocation Project for the public use of water line improvements, requiring the acquisition a water line easement in two parts consisting of 0.0046 acre (200 square feet) of one acre of land, more or less, out of and part of the Santiago Del Valle Survey, Abstract No. 24, Travis County, Texas, being a portion of Lots 8, 9, and 10, Elmhurst, a subdivision of record in Volume 3, Page 214, Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, conveyed to Austin Affordable Housing Authority, by deed filed for record on February 28, 2002, recorded in Document No. 2002038532 of the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, currently appraised at \$8,400, subject to an increase in value based on updated appraisals, a Special Commissioner's award, negotiated settlement, or judgment. The owner of the needed property is Austin Affordable Housing Authority. The property is located at 1507 South Interstate Highway 35, Austin, Texas 78741. The general route of the project is Interstate Highway Frontage Road from Holly Street to Texas State Highway 71/Ben White Boulevard. Funding of \$8,400 is available in the in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

### **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:**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Interstate 35 (I-35) Capital Express Central Roadway Project requires the relocation of approximately 24,100 linear feet of water lines and approximately 10,700 linear feet of wastewater lines and appurtenances out of the expanded TxDOT right-of-way along I-35 from Holly Street to State Highway 71/Ben White Boulevard.

The City has attempted to purchase the needed property at 1507 South I-35, Austin, Texas 78741. 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, negotiated settlement, or judgment.