



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-2002, **Agenda Item #:** 75.

7/23/2026

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance vacating approximately 126,437 square feet (2.9026 acres) of developed right-of-way being part of that certain tract of land out of the Santiago del Valle Grant, Abstract No. 24 originally granted in fee to Travis County and annexed into the city on May 21, 2026 by Ordinance No. 20260521-60, and being a portion of Hergotz Lane located northwest of Dalton Lane; requiring future dedication of a wastewater line easement and right-of-way; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to convey the right-of-way to Dogs Head Land JV, Ltd. Funding: This item has no fiscal impact. All costs, including appraisal fees and public notice expenses will be paid by the applicant, Dog's Head Land JV, Ltd., and reimbursed to the City.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation and Public Works

Fiscal Note

Funding: This item has no fiscal impact. All costs, including the appraised value of the vacation, appraisal fees, and public notice expenses, will be paid by the applicant and reimbursed to the City.

For More Information:

Richard Mendoza, Director, 512-974-2488; Upal Barua, Assistant Director, 512-974-7110; Elizabeth Boswell, Managing Engineer, 512-974-1849; Joseph Fotinos, Project Manager, 512-974-4659; Gilda Powers, Quality Consultant, 512-974-7092.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

July 7, 2026 - Approved by the Urban Transportation Commission on a motion from Commissioner Schumacher, and a second from Commissioner Somers, the right-of-way vacation was approved on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioner Kevin Chen abstaining, and two vacancies.

July 14, 2026 - Approved by the Planning Commission on a 7-1-1 vote with Commissioner Skidmore voting nay, Parliamentarian Ahmed abstaining, Commissioners Hiller, Lan, and Powell absent and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

The city will vacate approximately 126,437 square feet of public right-of-way and said land will be conveyed to the abutting property owner, Dogs Head Land JV, LTD, a Texas limited company.

All affected departments and private utility franchise holders have reviewed this request and recommended approval, subject to the conditions in the Master Comment Report.

The total appraised value for the vacation is \$189,655.50. The applicant, Dogs Head Land JV, LTD, will offset the value of right-of-way by dedicating additional right-of-way and a future easement for a reclaimed water line to the City which will be memorialized in a separate agreement. In addition, the applicant reimbursed the city \$7,950 for engaging the appraiser for the appraisal of both Hergotz and Edwin Lane and \$41.92 for public notices, respectively.

Public Notifications were sent by certified mail on **June 19, 2026** , to all adjacent property owners within 300 feet of the right-of-way vacation area. To date, no **public objections to the vacation have been received.**