

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-1697, Agenda Item #: 48.

8/28/2025

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire approximately 0.0989 acres (4,306 square feet) of permanent electric transmission and distribution easement and 0.1617 acres (7,043 square feet) of temporary construction easement, generally located at 55 North Interstate Highway 35, Austin, Texas 78702, both out of Outlot 55, Division "O", City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, being portions of Lot 20, Block 2, Elm Grove, a subdivision of record in Book 2, Page 241, Plat Records, Travis County, Texas, from The Young Men's Christian Association, a non-profit corporation, successor by merger to Extend-A-Care, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$993,392, including closing costs. Funding: \$993,392 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

August 11, 2025 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Alvarez and Reed off the dais and Chair Tuttle absent.

Additional Backup Information:

This proposed acquisition is required to relocate various structures along the existing Circuit 1015 to accommodate the Texas Department of Transportation's expansion of Interstate 35 (I-35) as part of its I-35 Capital Express program. The I-35 Capital Express Lady Bird Lake project runs along I-35 from Holly Street to State Highway 71/Ben White Boulevard.

An independent, third-party appraisal was procured to establish the fair market value of the proposed acquisition. The appraisal supports the purchase price of \$987,172. The amount of the purchase price plus closing costs is not to exceed \$993,392. The State of Texas will reimburse the City for the cost to acquire these property rights, pursuant to both the Standard Utility Agreement executed between the parties regarding the relocation of Circuit 1015 and the Settlement Agreement in Case No. C-1-PB-24-001200 in Travis County Probate Court No. 1, concerning the State's condemnation of the City's property at 1007 Lambie Street.