



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-2028, **Agenda Item #:** 60.

10/23/2025

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings and payment to acquire the property interests needed for Little Walnut Creek - Jamestown Channel Project for the public use of stream stabilization requiring the acquisition of a temporary working space easement consisting of 0.014 of one acre (595 square feet) of land, more or less, out of and a part of the James P. Wallace Survey Number 57, Abstract Number 789, in Travis County, Texas, same being a portion of Lot 1, Jamestown Section Four, recorded in Book 19, Page 9 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, conveyed to SBV-Austin-Summer Wind, LLC by Special Warranty deed executed on May 24, 2012, filed for record on May 25, 2012 and recorded in Document Number 2012083353 of the Official Public Records of Travis County, Texas, said 0.014 of one acre (595 square feet) of land currently appraised at \$2,112, 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 SBV-Austin Summer Wind, LLC now known as ML-Austin-I, LLC. The property is located at 833 Fairfield Drive, Austin, Texas 78758. The general route of the project is within Little Walnut Creek's designated Jamestown Tributary, from Thurmond Drive turn north on Jamestown Drive then due east on Fairfield Drive. Funding: \$2,112 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:

This acquisition is needed to protect residential property, trees, buildings, and infrastructure through streambank stabilization and reduced localized flooding on Jamestown Drive as well as the replacement of a flood-prone culvert on Fairfield Drive with a bridge.

The City has attempted to purchase the needed property at 833 Fairfield Drive, Austin, Texas 78758. The City and the 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), Special Commissioners' award, negotiated settlement, or judgment.