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City of Pflugerville

Legislation Text

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Approving a conditional purchase agreement and associated conveyance documents between Travis County (Parcel 54 & 55) and the City of Pflugerville as necessary to acquire real property interests for the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line Project and, authorizing the City Manager to execute the same.

The proposed agenda item requests approval of a conditional purchase agreement and associated conveyance documents between Travis County (Parcel 54 & 55) and the City of Pflugerville as necessary to acquire real property interests for the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line Project and authorizes the City Manager to execute the same. This item supports the infrastructure pillar of the City's Strategic Plan.

The Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line Project requires the acquisition of property, involving a temporary construction easement, as well as access easements to facilitate the construction of the new raw water line. The water line project will transport water from the Colorado River to Lake Pflugerville, parallel to the City's existing raw water line to provide additional water supply to support the future of Pflugerville. This project comprises approximately 15 miles of 42-inch water pipeline and improvements to the Colorado River Intake Pump Station to allow for increase transfer in water supply from the Lower Colorado River Authority from 12,000 acre-feet per year to 24,000 acre-feet per year.

This agreement with Travis County provides temporary construction easements necessary for the project. City staff negotiated with Travis County for these temporary construction easements on Parcel Nos. 54 and 55, agreeing to the appraised amount of \$237,908.00, pending City Council approval. During negotiations, City staff requested a fee waiver for tree mitigation and the temporary construction easement, similar to what was granted in the early 2000's for the first pipeline, given the long-term reclaimed water partnership between the City and County. However, at the June 27, 2024, Travis County Commissioners Court meeting, the Commissioners determined that the tree mitigation and temporary construction easement fees would not be waived, expressing concerns about setting a precedent for future requests from other Cities within Travis County.

Staff continues finalizing the easement acquisition for the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line project and have seventeen parcels (eight City of Austin) in condemnation and are finalizing nine parcel purchase agreements to bid the project in fall 2024.

Approval of this item will authorize the City Manager to execute the temporary construction easement and associated conveyance documents necessary for formal conveyance of the real property interests.

Prior City Council Action

City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. in the amount of \$7,309,766.00 for design and bid phase services for the Secondary Colorado River Raw

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Water Line Project at the February 8, 2022 meeting.

City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with CP&Y, Inc. dba STV for professional Services associated with the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line Project in the amount \$1,430,440.00 on May 26, 2022.

City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with CBRE, Inc. in the amount of \$293,700 for appraisal services for the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line project on October 11, 2022.

City Council approved a Professional Services Supplemental Agreement with CBRE, Inc. in the amount of \$270,900.00 for updated appraisal services for the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line project on January 9, 2024.

Deadline for City Council Action

Action is requested on July 9, 2024.

Funding Expected: Revenue __ Expenditure _X_ N/A __

Budgeted Item: Yes _X_ No __ N/A __

Amount: \$237,908.00

1295 Form Required? Yes _X_ No ___

Legal Review Required: X Required Date Completed: 06/25/2024

Supporting documents attached

Purchase Agreement

Recommended Action

Authorize the City Manager to execute a conditional purchase agreement and associated conveyance documents between Travis County (Parcel 54 & 55) and the City of Pflugerville as necessary to acquire real property interests for the Secondary Colorado River Raw Water Line Project.