



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:
District B, District H, District I, District K
Item Creation Date: 2/14/2020

HPW20BS14 EASEMENT ACQUISITIONS FOR REHABILITATION OF ABOVE GRADE CROSSINGS PACKAGE 2 PROJECT

Agenda Item#:

Background:

SUBJECT: An ordinance for the REHABILITATION OF THE ABOVE GRADE CROSSINGS PACKAGE 2 PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

RECOMMENDATION: (Summary) An ordinance for the REHABILITATION OF THE ABOVE GRADE CROSSINGS PACKAGE 2 PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION: Houston Public Works is requesting that an ordinance for the REHABILITATION OF THE ABOVE GRADE CROSSINGS PACKAGE 2 PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

This project provides for the repairs and replacements of large diameter waterlines and valves in the distribution and transmission system. This project is to ensure that large diameter water lines be repaired or replaced to minimize the impacts of major water main shut downs, increasing the quality of service and customer satisfaction.

This action authorizes payment for costs of land purchases/condemnations, relocation assistance expenses, appraisal fees, title policies/services, recording fees and other acquisition costs in connection with negotiations to settle purchases; finds a public necessity for the project; and approves and authorizes the condemnation of the land and improvements thereon. If negotiations to acquire the property cannot be concluded as a dedication or purchase or for any reason for which acquisition by condemnation is warranted, this action authorizes the City Attorney to file or cause Eminent Domain proceedings to be filed and acquire land, rights-of-way and/or easements for said purposes and authorizes payment for the Award of Special Commissioners and court costs associated with condemnation proceedings. Parcels with a consideration that exceeds the spending authority threshold set by State law will be submitted to City Council as they are finalized. This will expedite the process of acquiring land, rights-of-way and/or easements in support of the REHABILITATION OF THE ABOVE GRADE CROSSINGS PACKAGE 2 PROJECT.

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Carol Ellinger Haddock, P.E., Director
Houston Public Works

WBS No. S-000701-0024-2

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance 2018-756, passed September 19, 2018

Amount of Funding:

No additional funding required. (Funds were appropriated under Ordinance 2018-756)

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Ordinance 2018-756 w/cover sheet	Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Project Parcels	Backup Material
Location Map	Backup Material
Field notes	Backup Material
Surveys	Backup Material