



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

District C

Item Creation Date: 7/12/2021

HPW20MSW02/GARDEN OAKS AND SHEPHERD PARK (EAST) PROJECT

Agenda Item#:

### **Background:**

**SUBJECT:** An ordinance for the GARDEN OAKS AND SHEPHERD PARK (EAST) PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Summary) An ordinance for the GARDEN OAKS AND SHEPHERD PARK (EAST) 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 GARDEN OAKS AND SHEPHERD PARK (EAST) PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

The project provides for the design and construction of storm drainage improvements, concrete paving, curbs, sidewalks, driveways, and underground utilities. The project will be designed and constructed to improve drainage of streets and reduce the risk of structural flooding.

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 GARDEN OAKS AND SHEPHERD PARK (EAST) PROJECT.

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

WBS M-410022-0001-2

### **Prior Council Action:**

Ordinance 2019-0931, passed November 20, 2019

### **Amount of Funding:**

No additional funding required. (Funds were appropriated under Ordinance 2019-0931)

### **Contact Information:**

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Type
Ordinance 2019-0931 w/cover sheet	Public Notice
Location Map	Public Notice
Metes and Bounds and Surveys	Public Notice