



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

District I

Item Creation Date: 7/21/2021

HPW20JWL01 TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE OPERATIONS FACILITY PROJECT

Agenda Item#:

Background:

SUBJECT: An ordinance for the TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE OPERATIONS FACILITY PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

RECOMMENDATION: (Summary) An ordinance for the TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE OPERATIONS FACILITY PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION: This project requires the acquisition of two tracts of land, in fee, for the TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE OPERATIONS FACILITY PROJECT (the Project), located at the 5000 block of north McCarty Street. The Project will serve as a new facility site to accommodate personnel from the Stormwater Maintenance service section, which oversees storm drainage infrastructure including maintenance and rehabilitation projects, as well as management of Houston's stormwater system, roadside and off-roadside ditches, detention basins and stormwater pump stations. Additionally, the site will indirectly support all other core service sections of TDO, including Customer Service, Project Delivery, Street and Bridge Maintenance, Traffic Operations, Traffic Management, and Infrastructure Planning.

This project will allow TDO to consolidate equipment and personnel from various facilities throughout the City, and gain synergies from a neighboring TDO facility located at 5500 McCarty Street.

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 TRANSPORTATION AND DRAINAGE OPERATIONS FACILITY PROJECT.

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Carol Haddock 10/29/2021

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

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance 2019-0931, passed November 20, 2019

Amount and Source of Funding:

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

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Location Map	Backup Material
Property Exhibits and Descriptions	Backup Material
Ordinance 2019-0931 w/cover sheet	Backup Material