

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: District K Item Creation Date:

LGL - Parcel AY20-138; City of Houston v. Thomas George, et al.; Cause No. 1176533; Fondren Road Paving and Drainage Project (from Creekbend Drive to West Airport Boulevard); WBS/CIP N-100021-0001-2

Agenda Item#:

Summary:

Authorize the City Attorney, by Motion, to deposit the amount of the Award of the Special Commissioners of \$52,000.00 into the registry of the court and pay all costs. Funding will be provided by a previously approved blanket appropriation ordinance.

Background:

The Fondren Road Paving and Drainage Project (from Creekbend Drive to West Airport Boulevard) provides for the design and reconstruction of Fondren Road as a four lane divided roadway with intersection, safety, multimodal and drainage improvements consistent with the City of Houston's Vision Zero policy.

This eminent domain proceeding involves the acquisition of an easement interest to one parcel of land containing a total of 150 square feet. The property is located at 11000 Fondren Road in the City of Houston. The property is owned by Thomas George and Babu K. George. Prior to sending the matter to the Legal Department, the City attempted to negotiate a purchase of the property, but those efforts were unsuccessful. The matter was then referred to the Legal Department to initiate eminent domain proceedings to acquire the needed property. The Legal Department filed the eminent domain petition and a Special Commissioners' hearing was held.

City's Appraisal/Valuation: \$48,853.00

Landowner's Appraisal/Valuation.....\$58,000.00

Award of the Special Commissioners' Hearing. \$52,000.00

Court & Misc. Costs: Special Commissioners' fees; \$3,000; Court Filings; \$250.00; Service Costs; \$305.00. Estimated Total Court

& Misc. Costs: \$3,555.00

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Arturo Michel, City Attorney

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

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance No. 2019-931, passed 11/20/2019; Ordinance No. 2020-998, passed 11/18/2020.

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$52,000.00; Funds previously appropriated under Ordinance No. 2019-931

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