



**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date:

District K

Item Creation Date: 8/16/2017

**20MRH08/HILLCROFT AVENUE AND COURT ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT**

Agenda Item#:

**Background:**

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation that an ordinance for the HILLCROFT AVENUE AND COURT ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.  
WBS N-000821-0002-2

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Summary)

An ordinance for the HILLCROFT AVENUE AND COURT ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

**SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:**

The Department of Public Works and Engineering is requesting that an ordinance for the HILLCROFT AVENUE AND COURT ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

The project consists of the construction of Fort Bend Parkway northbound and southbound frontage roads, and an extension of Court Road from Quailynn Road east to the proposed southbound Fort Bend Parkway frontage road. There will also be an extension of water lines and storm water drainage systems along each roadway corridor. These improvements will upgrade existing roadway to Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (M.T.F.P.) standards and will improve traffic circulation, mobility and drainage in the service area.

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 HILLCROFT AVENUE AND COURT ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT.

**Prior Council Action:**

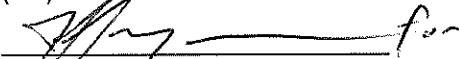
Ordinance 2017-373, passed May 24, 2017

**Amount of Funding:**

No additional funding required.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Type
Location Map	Backup Material
Metes and Bounds and Surveys	Backup Material
Prior Ordinance 2017-373	Backup Material