



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:
District J, District K
Item Creation Date: 9/18/2017

20JDF33/42-Inch Water Line from West Belfort Avenue to Bissonnet Street along Braes Forest Drive and CenterPoint Energy Fee Strip Project

Agenda Item#:

Background:

SUBJECT: Recommendation that an ordinance for the 42-INCH WATER LINE FROM WEST BELLFORT AVENUE TO BISSONNET STREET ALONG BRAES FOREST DRIVE AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY FEE STRIP PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.
WBS S-000900-0112-2

RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)

An ordinance for the 42-INCH WATER LINE FROM WEST BELLFORT AVENUE TO BISSONNET STREET ALONG BRAES FOREST DRIVE AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY FEE STRIP PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

This project is part of the Surface Water Transmission Program and provides for the design and construction of a 42-inch water line. The proposed water line will help distribute additional surface water from the Southeast Water Purification Plant to the City's southwestern portion of the existing distribution system, while achieving goals to decommission existing groundwater plants and improve water system pressures. This project will aid in the City's water source conversion from primarily groundwater to surface water in order to comply with the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District's regulatory plan, and is part of the City's long range water supply plan.

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 42-INCH WATER LINE FROM WEST BELLFORT AVENUE TO BISSONNET STREET ALONG BRAES FOREST DRIVE AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY FEE STRIP PROJECT.

Prior Council Action:

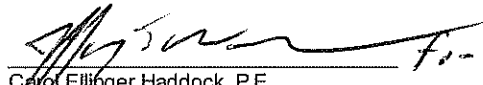
Ordinance 2016-758, passed October 5, 2016

Amount of Funding:

No additional funding required.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Location Map
Surveys and metes and bounds
Ordinance 2016-758

Type

Backup Material
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