



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

District C

Item Creation Date: 10/4/2017

20MRH15\Shepherd and Durham Paving and Drainage (from Washington Avenue to Dickson Street) Project

Agenda Item#:

Background:

SUBJECT: Recommendation that an ordinance for the SHEPHERD AND DURHAM PAVING AND DRAINAGE (FROM WASHINGTON AVENUE TO DICKSON STREET) PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

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RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)

An ordinance for the SHEPHERD AND DURHAM PAVING AND DRAINAGE (FROM WASHINGTON AVENUE TO DICKSON STREET) 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 SHEPHERD AND DURHAM PAVING AND DRAINAGE (FROM WASHINGTON AVENUE TO DICKSON STREET) PROJECT be passed approving and authorizing the acquisition of parcels by dedication, purchase, or condemnation.

This project is needed to replace segments of Shepherd Drive and Durham Drive that have deteriorated beyond economical repair and normal maintenance. This project provides for the design and construction of an eight lane (four lanes of Shepherd and Durham divided concrete roadway with curbs, sidewalks, driveways, street lighting, traffic control and necessary underground utilities. The project will improve traffic circulation, drainage, and safety 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 SHEPHERD AND DURHAM PAVING AND DRAINAGE (FROM WASHINGTON AVENUE TO DICKSON STREET) PROJECT.

Prior Council Action:

Ordinance 2017-373, passed May 24, 2017.

Amount of Funding:

No additional funding required.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Location Map
Survey and Metes and Bounds
Ordinance 2017-373

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