### City Council Agenda Items and Contracts, Leases or Agreements

8/20/2013

City Council Meeting Date Agenda Items Only

David Jurgens		Utilities Capital Projects		ects	Utilities	
Submitted By		Division			Department	
		Acti	ion Required:			
as part of the High		eement with Bill Road) water an	R. and Doris	A. Kisor concert cation project for	ning condemnation lit r \$13,950.00. This an	
\$	10,650	\$		793,956	W&S Relocations-2009	Bond Proceeds
Cost of this	request	Category / Project Budget		lget	Program Category / Project Name	
5400.5640.	.5808.00	\$	\$ 621,945		Water & Wastewater	
Account N		Funds Used to Date		<del></del> -	Program / Project Category Name	
08072-	1102	\$ 172,011		172,011	Water & Sewer	
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Budgeted Item XX Budget Adjustment Attached						
Department Director	111	<u>\</u> 8-2	Date 2 - / 3	Previous Ordinar Original Contract Original Contract		7/3/2012
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Finance and Internal Services Director  Chief of Staff		8-2-13		Received in City Clerk's Office		RCVD
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Comments:			Date			



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To:

Fayetteville City Council

Thru:

Mayor Lioneld Jordan

Don Marr, Chief of Staff

From:

David Jurgens, Utilities Director

Favetteville Water and Sewer Committee

Date:

July 31, 2013

Subject: Approval of an easement settlement agreement with Bill and Doris Kisor on Highway 265 (Crossover Rd)

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of a settlement agreement with Bill R. and Doris A. Kisor concerning condemnation litigation filed as part of the Highway 265 (Crossover Road) water and sewer relocation project for \$13,950.00. This amount is \$10,650.00 above the \$3,300.00 previously placed on deposit with the court, and is \$7,375 above the City's highest previous offer.

#### BACKGROUND

The Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) is widening Highway 265 (Crossover Road) from Joyce Boulevard north to the City Limits. Due to AHTD's acquisition of additional right-of-way to widen the road, utility lines have been relocated outside of the expanded right-of-way. These utility easements are adjacent to the new highway right-of-way and/or existing utility easements. On July 3, 2012, in order to not delay the project, the City Council approved condemnation proceedings against several properties, including the Kisors. Negotiations with property owners continued; of the original seven that were submitted for condemnation, all have been settled out of court; the Kisors was the last open case.

#### DISCUSSION

After continued negotiations and through meetings with Mr. Kisor and their attorney, staff and the Kisors have reached the attached settlement agreement. It is \$25,050 below the Kisors' appraisal for the easement. The amount was calculated as shown below. The settlement amount is based on the AHTD settlement amount, adjusted for two items, shown below, plus the \$1,500 appraisal cost that the Kisor's incurred.

- Proportionately reduced to reflect the smaller area our easement occupied, and
- Modified because we were only acquiring an easement, whereas the AHTD was purchasing the land in full. The City generally pays 25% of full fee simple for easements, as we only obtain limited rights to the land, and the property owner retains ownership. We also generally pay 10% of full fee simple price for temporary construction easement, which ends when the project is completed.

Both sides feel this negotiated settlement is fair and reasonable. Water and sewer construction is completed.

Valuation Source	Price
Kisors' Appraisal	\$ 39,000
City's Appraisal	\$ 3,300
AHTD Settlement (adjusted as shown above)	\$ 12,450

#### **BUDGET IMPACT**

This settlement for \$13,950.00 is \$10,650.00 increase above the \$3,300.00 previously placed on deposit with the court. The additional \$10,650.00 is available within the approved project budget.

RESOLUTION	NO.
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A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BILL AND DORIS KISOR CONCERNING CONDEMNATION LITIGATION FILED AS PART OF THE N. CROSSOVER ROAD UTILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$13,950.00

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby approves an agreement with Bill and Doris Kisor, in a total amount of \$13,950.00, as full and final settlement of condemnation litigation (City of Fayetteville v. Kisor, et ux., Washington County Circuit Court Case No. CV 2012-2237-7) filed as part of the N. Crossover Road Utilities Improvement Project.

Section 2: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas, in furtherance of the settlement, hereby approves payment of an additional \$10,650, over and above the \$3,300.00 placed on deposit with the court.

PASSED and APPROVED this 20th day of August, 2013.

APPROVED:	ATTEST:
By:	By:
LIONELD JORDAN, Mayor	SONDRA E. SMITH. City Clerk/Treasurer

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August 1, 2013

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CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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RE:

City of Fayetteville, Arkansas v. Bill Kisor and Doris Kisor

Washington County Circuit Court, Case No. CV-12-2237-7

Dear Jason:

I am in receipt of your letter dated July 30, 2013. Please let this letter confirm that my clients have agreed to accept the sum of \$13,950.00 as total just compensation for the takings at issue in this matter. Further, my clients understand that this agreement is conditioned upon approval by the Fayetteville City Counsel which is scheduled to be considered on August 20, 2013.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Tany Melinely Larry McCredy

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July 30, 2013



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Re: City of Fayetteville v. Kisor, et ux., Wash. Co. Case No. CV 12-2237-7

Dear Larry:

Please allow this letter to serve as confirmation of the settlement agreement your client and the City of Fayetteville have made, subject to approval of the Mayor and City Council, in full and final settlement of the above-referenced condemnation litigation.

The City and your client agreed to \$13,950.00 as total just compensation for the takings at issue. This settlement will be presented to the Fayetteville City Council for its consideration at its August 20, 2013, meeting. Assuming it is approved, I will then begin the process of having a check issued. We can work out the timing details of dismissal paperwork, deed execution, etc., at that time.

Please confirm your understanding of this agreement so that it can be presented to the City Council for its consideration. We appreciate you and your clients' willingness to reach an acceptable resolution to this matter.

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Jason B. Kelley

Assistant City Attorney

cc: D. Jurgens







