City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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Chris Brown	5/15/2015	Engineering / Development Services Department		
Submitted By	Submitted Date	Division / Department		
Action Recommendation:				
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Approval of a Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to seek condemnation and orders of possession of certain lands owned by Jerome Lopez and Elizabeth Young, and the Randall J. Wright Trust necessary for the Hwy 45. and Old Wire Rd. Intersection Improvements Project.

Budget Impact:				
4520.9555.5805.00	Transportation Bond Street Improvements			
Account Number		Fund		
06035.2600	Old Wire R	Old Wire Road (Mission to 265)		
Project Number	F	Project Title		
Budgeted Item? Yes	Current Budget	\$	20,029,672.00	
	Funds Obligated	\$	5,174,121.50	
	Current Balance	\$	14,855,550.50	
Does item have a cost? Yes	Item Cost	\$	26,426.00	
Budget Adjustment Attached? No	Budget Adjustment			
#	Remaining Budget	\$	14,829,124.50	
Previous Ordinance or Resolution #			V20140710	
Original Contract Number:	Арг	oroval Date	:	

Comments:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO

MEETING OF JUNE 2, 2015

SUBJECT:	Approval of a Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to se
DATE:	May 15, 2015
FROM:	Matt Casey, Engineering Design Manager
THRU:	Don Marr, Chief of Staff Jeremy Pate, Development Services Director Chris Brown, City Engineer
TO:	Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Approval of a Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to seek condemnation and orders of possession of certain lands owned by Jerome Lopez and Elizabeth Young, and the Randall J. Wright Trust necessary for the Hwy 45. and Old Wire Rd. Intersection Improvements Project.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to seek possession by condemnation of portions of properties along Hwy. 45 and Old Wire Road.

BACKGROUND:

The Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department will be bidding the construction of the Hwy 45 and Old Wire Road Intersection project in the fall of 2015. This project includes improvements to the lane configuration to allow for the installation of a traffic signal. Sidewalk installation and storm sewer are also included in the work proposed by the AHTD. AHTD is responsible for the engineering, advertising and awarding the construction contract, and construction inspection of the project. The City is responsible for relocation of the public water and sewer mains as well as acquisition of the rights-of-way and utility easements to accommodate this project. The project was approved for Federal (80%) and State (10%) funding with the City responsible for the remaining 10%. The total amount of Federal Funds available is \$1,200,000.

DISCUSSION:

The owners of the attached properties have expressed various concerns and have refused to sign right-of –way and/or easement documents based on their concerns. These properties represent 5 of the total 18 properties to be acquired. Staff will continue to negotiate with these property owners to avoid condemnation whenever possible. However, it is imperative that the right-of –way and easements be acquired in a timely manner so as not to delay the construction of the project.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

The payment for land acquisition will be made from the project budget allocated for the Old Wire Road Project (Mission to 265), which is funded by the Transportation Bond Fund. The agenda item staff review form indicates \$26,426 as the cost of this request. It should be noted that this is an estimate, based on the appraised values of the properties, and that the final cost is subject to negotiation with the property owners or by court order. The appraised value will be deposited into the Registry of the Circuit Court as just compensation when the condemnation complaint is filed for each property.

Attachments:

Easement Exhibits











