



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Denton Municipal Electric

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Todd Hileman, City Manager

DATE: September 19, 2017

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton ("City") finding that a public use and necessity exists to acquire fee simple title to a 10.129 acre tract of land situated in the C.W. Byerly Survey, Abstract No. 1458, a drainage easement in a 0.430 acre tract of land and a temporary construction easement in a 0.286 acre tract of land both situated in the G. West Survey, Abstract No. 1393, City of Denton, Denton County, Texas (collectively the "Property Interests"), for the expansion, construction, maintenance, and improvement of electrical transmission lines, facilities and structures, including substations; authorizing the City to acquire the Property Interests by either agreement or through the use of the power of eminent domain to condemn the Property Interests if an agreement cannot be reached; authorizing the expenditure of funds; making the findings; providing a savings clause and an effective date. [Underwood Substation]

BACKGROUND

The Denton Municipal Electric (DME) Capital Improvement Plan includes a project to construct Underwood Substation. The existing capacity is inadequate for expected future load.

DME held an open house on December 3, 2013 to inform the community regarding the siting of the proposed substation site and received feedback.

A public hearing was held by the Public Utilities Board on July 25, 2016 where input from members of the public was heard. The Board directed DME at that meeting to move forward with the "Green" site. Another public hearing was held by the City Council on August 16, 2016 where input from the members of the public were heard. The Council directed DME to move forward with the "Green" site.

OPTIONS

1. Approve adoption of the ordinance to acquire the above subject property.
2. Do not approve adoption of the ordinance and provide staff with further direction.
3. Table the matter for future action.

RECOMMENDATION

DME staff recommends approving adoption of the ordinance to acquire the subject properties for the City of Denton.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

- 12/3/13 – Public Open House
- 7/25/16 – PUB Public Hearing in which "Green" site was recommended
- 8/16/16 – Council Public Hearing in which "Green" site was approved

STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

Related Key Focus Area: Organizational Excellence

Related Goal: 2.3 Promote superior utility services and facilities

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. Ordinance
3. Easement Map
4. Motion

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