

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
JUNE 21, 2022 AGENDA**

<p>Subject:</p> <p>A resolution to authorize the use of eminent domain for two (2) 2019 Drainage Improvement Projects</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Public Works Department</p>	<p>Action Required:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Approved By:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
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SYNOPSIS	A resolution to authorize the City Attorney to use eminent domain to complete acquisition of right-of-way, permanent and temporary construction easements for the Valentine Street Drainage and Briarwood Ditch Phase 2 Projects.
FISCAL IMPACT	Funding for the project is available from 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales and Compensating Use Tax and the Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds for Streets and Drainage as previously authorized by Resolution No. 14,803.
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the resolution.
BACKGROUND	<p>The Valentine Street Drainage Improvement Project is located south of Markham Street and west of Valentine Street in an existing alley drainage-way that is undersized and prone to flooding. Additional Permanent and Temporary Easements are required to relocate a sanitary sewer and to accommodate a large box culvert. Thirteen (13) of fourteen (14) parcels have been acquired leaving only one (1)-parcel and a landowner that will not grant a permanent and temporary easement for the project. The value of the acquisition based on a Market Valuation approach is \$1,800.00. The land is owned by Jordan and Erika Walter.</p> <p>The Briarwood Ditch Phase 2 project continues work originally funded in 2013 to widen and improve the existing Briarwood ditch to reduce flooding frequency and severity. To widen the ditch, additional Permanent and Temporary Easements are required.</p>

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Where present, existing fencing and landscaping will be removed and replaced at the completion of construction. Staff has successfully acquired ten (10) of fourteen (14) parcels. Based on the Market Valuation approach, the remaining easement values and owners are as follows:

Clarissa Jackson, \$300.00, Temporary Easement.
David Kaufman, \$300.00, Temporary Easement.
Ahmed Darwish, \$300.00, Temporary Easement.
Amand Dean, \$960.00, Permanent and Temporary Easement.