



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

To: Mayor Graham and City Council
From: Dennis Sullivan, Director of Engineering & Public Works
Walter Denton, City Administrator
Date: May 15, 2006
Subject: RESOLUTION – Purchase of 204 E. Madison for Stormwater Drainage System Improvements

List of committees that have reviewed: None.

Background: The 0.37-acre parcel at 204 E. Madison contains a reach of Engle Creek and is the discharge location of a large cross road culvert. Due to the steep slope and floodplain limitations of the lot, its value and use as a future housing lot is minimal. The house trailer on the lot has been condemned and the garage/carport combination on the west property line does not meet setback requirements for possible redevelopment purposes. The parcel, however, can be used by the City for control of further stream down cutting and bank sloughing in the area through the installation of a rock riffle system. Engineering feels that acquisition of this property is another step in curing stormwater problems in this portion of the City that was built before the application of improved stream management.

Legal Considerations, if any: An owner of the property approached the City about our possible purchase. The City Attorney is handling the sale, and has obtained agreement from the landowner for the purchase price of \$22,500.

Budget Impact: The cost of this purchase and associated work will be funded from the Proposition S, Stormwater Improvement budget line item.

Staff recommendation: Staff recommends that the resolution to purchase the property be approved to expedite closing on the property.