

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E., Director of Public Works

THROUGH: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

COPIES TO: Melissa Byrne Vossmer, Lou Lendman, Milo Nitschke, Andrew Martin, Robert Ojeda, Steven F. Hodges, and File

SUBJECT: Ordinance Authorizing Payment of Legal Fees Incurred in Land Acquisition related to various Capital Projects

DATE: August 7, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance authorizes funds in the amount of \$27,326.57 payable to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. for legal services in connection with the Basse Road and San Pedro Intersection MPO project (\$342.12), Bitters Road – West Avenue to Heimer MPO project (\$18), Blanco Road & Jackson Keller Intersection MPO project (\$216), Escalon Street #1008 Drainage project (\$515.44), Hildebrand Avenue from IH10 to Breeden MPO project (\$21,442.31), Larkspur – West Avenue to Baltic project (\$143), Octavia Drainage #63, Phase II, Part I project (\$1,422), San Pedro Avenue from Quincy to Romana MPO project (\$41.70), W. W. White Phase I – Rigsby to Lord Road project (\$54), Western Avenue Drainage #74 III-A project (\$2,088), Wurzbach Road at I.H. 10 and Ironside Intersections project (\$828), and the Wurzbach Parkway project (\$216). These projects are located in various City Council Districts and are funded from General Obligations of the City.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The invoices for these legal services have been reviewed for accuracy by the City Attorney's Office who recommends payment as requested.

Basse Road and San Pedro Intersection (MPO) – All of the necessary parcels have been acquired in the 14-parcel project. Construction on this project is complete.

Bitters Road from West Avenue to Heimer (MPO) – There are six signed instruments and one condemned parcel in the nine-parcel project. Two parcels have been submitted to the City Attorney's Office for condemnation proceedings. This project will let for contract in June 2003 by the Texas Department of Transportation, start construction August 2003, and be completed by August 2004. The scope of this project includes the widening of the existing roadway to seven lanes, adding left and right turn lanes at U.S. 281 to facilitate traffic through the intersection of U.S. 281, and upgrade traffic signalization. This project will also include the construction of six-foot sidewalks at the curb.

Blanco Road at Jackson Keller Intersection (MPO) – All of the necessary parcels have been acquired in this nine-parcel project. Construction on this project is complete.

Escalon Street # 1008 Drainage – All of the necessary parcels have been acquired in this 10-parcel project. Construction on this project is complete.

Hildebrand Avenue from IH10 to Breeden (MPO) – All of the necessary parcels have been acquired for this 26-parcel project. It is currently under construction and scheduled to be completed in July 2003. The scope of this project includes the reconstruction and widening of Hildebrand Avenue with curbs, five-foot sidewalks, and drainage improvements. It also includes a turn lane at Blanco Road.

Larkspur – West Avenue to Baltic – Construction on the two-parcel project is complete.

Octavia Drainage #63, Phase II, Part I – There are 72 signed instruments in the 74-parcel project. The two remaining parcels are in negotiation. Phase I of this project is complete. Phase II is currently under construction and scheduled to be completed by May 2004. The scope of Phase II provides for underground storm drainage improvements along Hart and Pleasanton Road. Reconstruction will include curbs, four-foot sidewalks, concrete driveway approaches, and retaining walls.

San Pedro Avenue from Quincy to Romana – All of the necessary parcels have been acquired in this 63-parcel project. Construction on this project is complete.

W. W. White Road from Rigsby to Lord Road – There are 42 signed instruments and two condemned parcels in the 45-parcel project. One parcel has been submitted to the City Attorney's Office to begin condemnation proceedings. This project will let for contract in June 2003, start construction August 2003, and be completed by September 2004. The scope of work for this project includes drainage improvements along W.W. White Road from Rigsby to Lord Road, and Rigsby from W.W. White Road to Salado Creek. It also includes drainage on Dell Crest from Sea Breeze to Rigsby.

Western Avenue Drainage Project #74, Phase III A – This project is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed in October 2003. The scope of this project includes the construction of a concrete drainage channel through Northern Boulevard at the existing low water crossing, which will result in the permanent closure of Northern Boulevard. A cul-de-sac will be built on Northern Boulevard at the west side of the proposed channel and guard rail will be installed on the east side of the proposed channel.

Wurzbach Road at I.H. 10 and Ironside Intersection (MPO) - All of the necessary parcels have been acquired in this 12-parcel project. This project will be let by Texas Department of Transportation in September 2003, start construction December 2003, and be completed by December 2005. The scope of work for Wurzbach Road at I.H. 10 will widen the existing 30-foot roadway to 56 feet to lengthen the left turn lanes from 46 feet to 79 feet. The scope of work for Wurzbach at Ironside will widen the existing 2-lane northbound approaches to 36 feet for a right turn lane.

Wurzbach Parkway Phase V (MPO) – Phase V of this project is currently funded for design only. The scope of this project includes the construction of a four-lane divided roadway and limited access from Northwest Military Highway to Blanco Road and then continuing from Blanco Road to U.S. 281.

POLICY ANALYSIS

Approval of this ordinance for payment of legal services is necessary to complete the real estate transactions on the acquisition of the properties in these projects.

FISCAL IMPACT

Basse Road and San Pedro Intersection (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$342.12 are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$778,206.

Bitters Road from West Avenue to Heimer (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$18 are available from 2000A Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,836,094.

Blanco Road and Jackson Keller Intersection (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$216 are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$442,719.

Escalon Street Drainage Project #1008

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$515.44 are available from 1994 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,962,868.

Hildebrand Avenue from I.H. 10 to Breeden (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$21,442.31 are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$580,810.

Larkspur - West Avenue to Baltic

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$143 are available from 1999 General Obligation Street Bonds. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,135,903.

Octavia Drainage #63, Phase II, Part I

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$1,422 are available from 1999 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,718,860.

San Pedro Avenue from Quincy to Romana (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$41.70 are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$120,804.02.

W.W. White Phase I from Rigsby to Lord Road

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$54.00 are available from 1994 General Obligation Drainage Bonds. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$5,305,689.

Western Avenue Drainage Project #74, Phase III A

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$2,088 are available from 1985 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$323,820.

Wurzbach at I.H. 10 and Ironside Intersections (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and is not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$828 are available from 2001 Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,423,967.

Wurzbach Parkway (MPO)

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure within budget and included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Funds in the amount of \$216 are available from 2002 Certificates of Obligation. This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$667,100.

Funds in the amount of \$27,326.57 are available from the following funding sources and authorized payable to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.:

1985 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds	\$ 2,088.00
1994 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds	\$ 569.44
1996 Certificates of Obligation	\$ 22,042.13
1999 General Obligation Street Improvement Bonds	\$ 143.00
2000A Certificates of Obligation	\$ 18.00
2001 Certificates of Obligation	\$ 828.00
2002 Certificates of Obligation	\$ 216.00
1999 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds	<u>\$ 1,422.00</u>
	\$ 27,326.57

COORDINATION

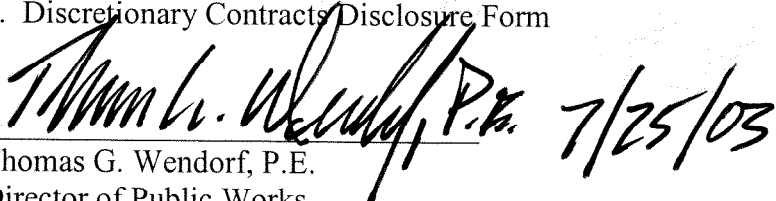
This ordinance was coordinated with the Finance Department, the Office of Management and Budget, the City Attorney's Office, and the Texas Department of Transportation.

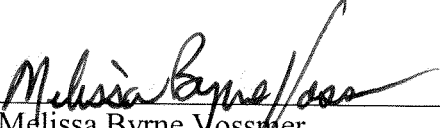
SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

The Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form required by the Ethics Ordinance is included.

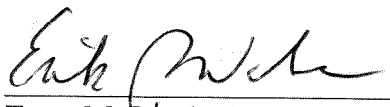
ATTACHMENTS

1. Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form


Thomas G. Wendorf, P.E.
Director of Public Works


Melissa Byrne Vossmer
Assistant City Manager

Approved:


Terry M. Brechtel
City Manager

ATTACHMENT 1

FISCAL DATA

Project Name: BASSE ROAD AND SAN PEDRO INTERSECTION (MPO) PROJECT
Council Districts 1 and 9

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$342.12 are not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation transferred to Fund 43-617011, Index Code 460097.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$778,206.

Project Name: BITTERS ROAD FROM WEST AVENUE TO HEIMER (MPO) PROJECT
Council District 9

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$18 are included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 2000A Certificates of Obligation transferred to Fund 43-070004, Index Code 617365.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,910,557.

Project Name: BLANCO ROAD AND JACKSON KELLER INTERSECTION (MPO) PROJECT
Council District 1 and 9

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$216 are not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation fund balance from 43-617 for 43-617003, Index Code 460535.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$442,719.

Project Name: ESCALON STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT #1008
Council District 3

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$515.44 are not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1994 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds fund balance from 45-460 for 45-460008, Index Code 488585.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,962,868.

Project Name: HILDEBRAND AVENUE FROM IH10 TO BREEDEN (MPO)
PROJECT
Council District 1

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$21,442.31 are not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 2002 Certificates of Obligation fund balance from 43- 172 for 43-617012, Index Code 563528.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$580,810.

Project Name: LARKSPUR – WEST AVENUE TO BALTIC PROJECT
Council District 9

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$143 are included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1999 General Obligation Street Bonds transferred to Fund 45-979077.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,135,903.

Project Name: OCTAVIA DRAINAGE PROJECT #63, PHASE II, PART I
Council District 5

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$1,422 are included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1999 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds for 45-969014, Index Code 684381.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,718,860.

Project Name: SAN PEDRO AVENUE FROM QUINCY TO ROMANA (MPO)
PROJECT
Council District 1

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$41.70 are not included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1996 Certificates of Obligation fund balance from 43-617 for 43-617008, Index Code 464800.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$120,804.02.

Project Name: W. W. WHITE PHASE I – FROM RIGSBY TO LORD PROJECT
Council District 2

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$54 are included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1994 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds transferred to 1985 Drainage and Flood Control Bonds Fund 45-546007, Index Code 624965.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$5,305,689.

Project Name: WESTERN AVENUE DRAINAGE PROJECT #74 III A PROJECT
Council District 9

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$2,088 are included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 1985 General Obligation Drainage Improvement Bonds transferred to Fund 45-506454, Index Code 564187.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$323,820.

Project Name: WURZBACH AT I.H. 10 AND IRONSIDE INTERSECTIONS (MPO) PROJECT
Council District 8

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$828 are included in the FY03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 2001 Certificates of Obligation, transferred from 43-171 to Fund 43-617037, Index Code 648188.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$1,423,967.

Project Name: WURZBACH PARKWAY MPO PROJECT
Council District 9 & 10

Budget Information:

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure.

Funds in the amount of \$216 are included in the Fy03-FY08 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funds are available from 2002 Certificates of Obligation.

This item is within budget.

This item represents a portion of a total estimated City project cost of \$667,100.

City of San Antonio

Discretionary Contracts Disclosure*

For use of this form, see City of San Antonio Ethics Code, Part D, Sections 1&2
Attach additional sheets if space provided is not sufficient.
State "Not Applicable" for questions that do not apply.

* This form is required to be supplemented in the event there is any change in the information under (1), (2), or (3) below, before the discretionary contract is the subject of council action, and no later than five (5) business days after any change about which information is required to be filed.

Disclosure of Parties, Owners, and Closely Related Persons

For the purpose of assisting the City in the enforcement of provisions contained in the City Charter and the Code of Ethics, an individual or business entity seeking a discretionary contract from the City is required to disclose in connection with a proposal for a discretionary contract:

(1) the identity of any **individual** who would be a party to the discretionary contract:

Not Applicable.

(2) the identity of any **business entity**¹ that would be a party to the discretionary contract:

- (i) Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. is the business entity that is the party to the discretionary contract.
- (ii) None.

and the name of:

(A) any individual or business entity that would be a **subcontractor** on the discretionary contract;

None.

and the name of:

(B) any individual or business entity that is known to be a **partner**, or a **parent** or **subsidiary** business entity, of any individual or business entity who would be a party to the discretionary contract;

See attached list of Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. partners.

¹ A business entity means a sole proprietorship, partnership, firm, corporation, holding company, joint-stock company, receivership, trust, unincorporated association, or any other entity recognized by law.

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(3) the identity of any lobbyist or public relations firm employed for purposes relating to the discretionary contract being sought by any individual or business entity who would be a party to the discretionary contract.

None.

Political Contributions

Any individual or business entity seeking a discretionary contract from the city must disclose in connection with a proposal for a discretionary contract all political contributions totaling one hundred dollars (\$100) or more within the past twenty-four (24) months made directly or indirectly to any current or former member of City Council, any candidate for City Council, or to any political action committee that contributes to City Council elections, by any individual or business entity whose identity must be disclosed under (1), (2) or (3) above. Indirect contributions by an individual include, but are not limited to, contributions made by the individual's spouse, whether statutory or common-law. Indirect contributions by an entity include, but are not limited to, contributions made through the officers, owners, attorneys, or registered lobbyists of the entity.

To Whom Made:	Amount:	Date of Contribution:
Ed Garza	\$6,575.00	All within the last 24 months.
Art Hall	\$600.00	
Carroll Schubert	\$2,900.00	
Roger Perez	\$500.00	
Tim Bannwolf	\$23,900.00	
Bobby Perez	\$300.00	
Debra Guerrero	\$500.00	
Patti Radle	\$700.00	
Roger Flores, Jr.	\$250.00	

Disclosures in Proposals

Any individual or business entity seeking a discretionary contract with the city shall disclose any known facts which, reasonably understood, raise a question² as to whether any city official or employee would violate Section 1 of Part B, Improper Economic Benefit, by participating in official action relating to the discretionary contract.


None.

² For purposes of this rule, facts are "reasonably understood" to "raise a question" about the appropriateness of official action if a disinterested person would conclude that the facts, if true, require recusal or require careful consideration of whether or not recusal is required.

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Signature: 	Title: Partner in Charge - San Antonio Office Company: Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.	Date: 5/1/03

J. Tullos Wells