CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

DEPARTMENT OF ASSET MANAGEMENT INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

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THROUGH: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

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SUBJECT:

S.P. No.1152—Request to convey a 3.079-acre tract of land to Bexar County for

proposed realignment of Applewhite Road

DATE:

March 25, 2004

PETITIONERS: Bexar County

c/o Mr. Gabriel Perez. Executive Director

Infrastructure Services Department

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

This Ordinance will convey a 3.079-acre tract of land to Bexar County for road construction improvements to Applewhite Road, for a consideration of \$3,000.

Staff recommends approval of this Ordinance.

BACKGROUND:

In conjunction with the overall development of the Toyota general area, including its transportation infrastructure, the County of Bexar (County/Bexar County) is requesting that the City of San Antonio grant, sell and convey a 3.079 acre (134,123 square feet) tract of land for necessary road improvements upon a portion of Applewhite Road located between Watson and Neal Roads in the location as shown on attached Exhibits "A" and "B". Ordinance No. 98712 released the tract in question, among other properties, to the City of San Antonio from the control of the San Antonio Water System on January 15, 2004. As is noted on the exhibits, Applewhite Road currently runs in a true North/South direction,

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except at the location where it crosses the Medina River. At this point, it deviates sharply in a East/West direction, creating a safety hazard for vehicular traffic. The property involved is approximately 60% within the 100-year floodplain. Presently, Applewhite Road is a two-lane road with no center lane. Bexar County proposes to realign (straighten) the road at this location by building a bridge across the Medina River, thus removing the unsafe condition. Additionally, Bexar County will turn Applewhite Road into a four-lane thoroughfare to include a center turning lane. Bexar Appraisal District comparable values in the area reflect a general value of \$1,000 per acre. Bexar County has agreed to pay \$3,000 for this 3-acre tract. Overall, Bexar County anticipates spending approximately \$25-30 million dollars on road and bridge improvements on Applewhite Road.

COORDINATION:

In compliance with City procedures, this project has been coordinated through the City Manager's Office, the City Attorney's Office, the Department of Public Works and Bexar County.

POLICY ANALYSIS:

This action is consistent with the City's policy in making City-owned properties available for public purposes

FISCAL IMPACT:

The City of San Antonio will generate \$3,000 in this transaction.

Rebecca Waldman, Director

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