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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDEMNATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY.**

*All capitalized terms are defined in Section 1 below.*

**WHEREAS**, the Dallas City Council by the FIRST RESOLUTION found that the USE of the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY for the PROJECT is a public use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dallas City Council by the FIRST RESOLUTION found that a public necessity requires that CITY acquire the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY from OWNER for the PROJECT; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dallas City Council by the FIRST RESOLUTION authorized acquisition, by purchase, of the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY held by OWNER for the PROJECT; and

**WHEREAS**, the OWNER refused to sell the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY to CITY for the OFFICIAL OFFER AMOUNT contained in the FIRST RESOLUTION; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dallas City Council desires to authorize the City Attorney to acquire the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY by condemnation for the OFFICIAL OFFER AMOUNT stated herein.

**Now, Therefore,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:**

**SECTION 1.** For the purposes of this resolution, the following definitions shall apply:

"CITY": The City of Dallas

"FIRST RESOLUTION": Resolution No. 22-1530 approved by the Dallas City Council on October 12, 2022, which is incorporated herein by reference.

"PROPERTY": Approximately 15,065 square feet of land located in Dallas County and being the same property more particularly described on the "Exhibit A", attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

"PROPERTY INTEREST": Fee Simple Interest

"PROJECT": Dallas Water Utilities Distribution Division Scottsdale Drive Project

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**SECTION 1.** (continued)

"USE": The location will be used as operations, fleet parking and storage for equipment and supplies that assist the Dallas Water Utilities Distribution Division in the maintenance of major water distribution lines from the water treatment plants and servicing all City of Dallas customers and to customer cities, provided, however, to the extent fee title to the PROPERTY is acquired, such title and the PROPERTY shall not be limited to or otherwise deemed restricted to the USE herein provided.

"OWNER": Nancy Ruth Lander and John B. Reece, provided, however, that the term "OWNER" as used in this resolution means all persons having an ownership interest, regardless of whether those persons are actually named herein.

"OFFICIAL OFFER AMOUNT": \$75,000.00

"CLOSING COSTS AND TITLE EXPENSES": Not to exceed \$3,500.00

"AUTHORIZED AMOUNT": \$78,500.00 (\$75,000.00, plus closing costs and title expenses not to exceed \$3,500.00)

"DESIGNATED FUNDS":

\$78,500.00 from Water Construction Fund, Fund 0102, Department DWU, Unit CW20, Activity n/a, Program 722343, Object 4210, Encumbrance/Contract No. DWU-2022-00019566.

**SECTION 2.** That the CITY will pay court costs as may be assessed by the Special Commissioners' or the Court. Further, that litigation expenses determined by the City Attorney to be necessary are authorized for payment. All costs and expenses described in this section shall be paid out of and charged to the DESIGNATED FUNDS.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Attorney is authorized and requested to file the necessary proceeding and take the necessary action for the acquisition of the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY by condemnation or in any manner provided by law.

**SECTION 4.** That in the event it is subsequently determined that additional persons or entities other than those named herein have an interest in the PROPERTY, the City Attorney is authorized and directed to join said parties as defendants in said condemnation proceeding and/or suit.

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**SECTION 5.** That in the event the Special Commissioners' appointed by the Court return an award that is the same amount, or less, than the OFFICIAL OFFER AMOUNT, the City Attorney is hereby authorized to acquire the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY by instrument, or judgment, for the Special Commissioners' Award Amount. If the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY is being acquired by instrument, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to issue a check, paid out of and charged to the DESIGNATED FUNDS, in an amount not to exceed the Special Commissioners' Award Amount, made payable to OWNER, or the then current owner(s) of record, or to the title company insuring the transaction described herein. If the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY is not being acquired through instrument, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to issue a check, paid out of and charged to the DESIGNATED FUNDS, in an amount not to exceed the Special Commissioners' Award Amount, made payable to the County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas, to be deposited into the registry of the Court, to enable CITY to take possession of the PROPERTY INTEREST in and to the PROPERTY without further action of the Dallas City Council. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized and directed to issue another check, to be paid out of and charged to the DESIGNATED FUNDS, in the amount of the CLOSING COSTS AND TITLE EXPENSES, made payable to the title company insuring the transaction described herein. The Special Commissioners' Award Amount and the CLOSING COSTS AND TITLE EXPENSES together shall not exceed the AUTHORIZED AMOUNT.

**SECTION 6.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Christopher J. Caso, City Attorney

BY:

  
Assistant City Attorney