



Agenda Memorandum

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Subject: 3 - Acre Land Purchase

Summary:

With the recent sale of Lisco Valve, Richwood Public Works has lost the laydown area that had been used for the previous 20 years. Currently Richwood owns no property suitable for a laydown area and future facilities expansion. The proposed purchase of property from Lisco Valve includes three acres with a 40' easement up to Brazosport Blvd.

Background Information:

Over the past 10 years, Richwood Public Works has taken on responsibilities of tree trimming/removal, drainage maintenance, and some capital projects. Actions to continue addressing these responsibilities produce a certain amount of debris whether that be vegetative debris, excavation spoil, old water/sewer piping, or the need to store new material for water/sewer main replacement, or rented machinery. Currently the only available area to serve for storage of excess debris, spoil or storage of excess material is 215 Halbert. Richwood's option to utilize water plants for laydown areas are not allowed according to TCEQ compliance requirements.

In the past it has been expressed to Council the need for additional room at the Service Center for such reasons. With Council's reluctance to decommission adjacent parkland for these purposes, Public Works is required to investigate other options. Purchasing property such as Lisco's provides sufficient space for the immediate future and strategic location for facilities expansion in the distant future.

Issue:

Fiscal Impact:

\$400,000.00 plus associated costs (property survey, platting/filing, closing, etc.)

Recommendation: