TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

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Adopt Ordinance No. R19-004, amending Ordinance No. R19-003, Establishing the Right-of-Way for the construction, operation and maintenance of the McCook Levee Section 205 Flood Risk Management Project Partnership Agreement in the Villages of McCook and Summit, Illinois in part of Section 11, Township 38 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian in Cook County, Illinois to include the real estate legally described in Exhibit AA ...Body

Dear Sir:

On October 18, 2018, the Board of Commissioners ("Board") authorized the District to enter into the McCook Levee Section 205 Flood Risk Management Project Partnership Agreement ("PPA") with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to undertake flood control improvements on the McCook Levee in two phases. Under the PPA, the District is responsible for acquiring all land rights necessary for the Project ("Project").

On July 11, 2019, the Board adopted Ordinance R19-003 establishing the right-of-way for the first phase of the Project. The first phase of the PPA involves the south portion of the McCook Levee in the Villages of McCook and Summit, Illinois. That proposed undertaking will help reduce flooding from the Des Plaines River in the Villages of McCook and Summit, Illinois by restoring the existing levee and raising the levee crest to enhance stability and seepage control, among other improvements.

This amended Ordinance would establish the right-of-way for the second phase of the Project. The second phase requires temporary and permanent easements or fee simple title for flood control improvements on the northern portion of the McCook Levee within the Village of Lyons, Illinois. This proposed undertaking will help reduce flooding from the Des Plaines River in the Village of Lyons, Illinois by restoring the existing levee and raising the levee crest to enhance stability and seepage control, among other improvements. The acquisition of this right-of-way requires the adoption of an amended ordinance authorizing the immediate acquisition of land, which is legally described in the attached documents as Exhibit AA.

It is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it adopt Ordinance R19-004, amending Ordinance R19-003, establishing and authorizing the acquisition of the Right-of-Way for the Construction, Operation and Maintenance of the McCook Levee Section 205 Flood Risk Management Project Partnership Agreement in the Villages of McCook and Summit, Illinois in part of Section 11, Township 38 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian in Cook County, Illinois to include the real estate legally described in Exhibit AA.

It is further requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the President be authorized and directed to execute said Ordinance after same is approved by the General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested Susan T. Morakalis, General Counsel, Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering, STM:CAO:EMA:MLD:vp

Recommended, Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for September 5, 2019

Attachments

