

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 11/18/25

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-1087

LOG NAME: 80FOREST PARK - ONCOR EASEMENT

SUBJECT

(CD 9) Authorize the Conveyance of an Easement and Right-of-Way to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, for Electrical Equipment and Appurtenances, being Approximately 0.009 Acres of Land in Forest Park and Authorize the Use of Approximately 0.20 Acres of Parkland at Forest Park for Temporary Construction Workspace

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the conveyance of an easement and right-of-way to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, for electrical equipment and appurtenances, being approximately 0.009 acres of land in Forest Park;
 2. Authorize the use of approximately 0.20 acres of parkland at Forest Park for temporary construction workspace; and
 3. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute and record the appropriate instruments.
-

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize the conveyance of an easement and right-of-way to Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC, (Oncor), being approximately 0.009 acres of land in Forest Park (Park).

The Fort Worth Zoo is in the construction phase for Zone One of *Forests and Jungles*, Phase Four of the *Wilder Vision* Capital Campaign, and in design development phase for Zones 2 and 3 of *Forests and Jungles*. The new utility easement, pole, and transformer will support Zones 2 and 3 and a future penguin exhibit. City of Fort Worth staff, Fort Worth Zoo staff, and Oncor employees worked together for the placement of the proposed transformer along Park Place Avenue, deemed as the least intrusive and most cost-effective location for these services.

A temporary construction workspace, approximately 0.20 acres within the park, is required to construct the project. The park will remain open during construction and will be restored to previous conditions or better upon completion of the project.

The City Forester has determined that no park trees require removal for this project. Trees within 50 feet of the project will be protected as a safety measure.

The Fort Worth Zoo is located within Forest Park, which is in COUNCIL DISTRICT 9 and is classified as a Special Use park that serves a citywide and regional purpose.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of these recommendations will have no material effect on City Funds.

Submitted for City Manager's Office by: Dana Burghdoff 8018

Originating Business Unit Head: Dave Lewis 5717

Additional Information Contact: Joel McElhany 5745