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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** City of Seguin Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Connie Real, Real Estate Manager

**Date:** May 7th, 2024

**Re:** Resolution authorizing the purchase of right of way and utility easements needed for the Cordova Road Widening Project.

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To construct the roadway, the City will need to obtain rights of way and easements across approximately ninety-eight parcels of land in a short time period.

This action allows city staff, attorneys, and consultants to begin the acquisition process. This Resolution authorizes the City to purchase right of way and easements through valuation and negotiation. Staff will present separate resolutions seeking further permission to use eminent domain proceedings should those negotiations fail to result in sale.

This Resolution also authorizes the City to take any other legal action necessary and incidental to such acquisition, including but not limited to surveying, both lineal and archaeological, appraisal, and seeking injunctive relief from the court for Right of Entry, when such entry cannot be negotiated.

The final part of this Resolution authorizes the City Manager to spend an amount not to exceed \$3,100,000 to obtain the right of way and easements; and to sign all documents necessary to do so. Having advance authorization to Close on successfully negotiated sales will assist city staff in meeting the aggressive time for completion of this project.