Title: Approval for City Staff to Request UDOT Approval to Use Dispersed Parking Hotspot Funding to Construct the Emma Blvd Dispersed Parking Facilities

Disposition: Discussion and possible action

Staff Presenter: Chuck Williams, City Engineer

Attachment(s):
- Attachment 1 - Emma Blvd Dispersed Parking Exhibit

Recommended Motion:
None

Background/Summary:

In 2019 City Council approved the final plat of the Amended Lot 14, Block “E”, Plat “B” Utex Subdivision. This plat records the exchange of a longitudinal portion of Emma Blvd for 38-feet of street right-of-way across lot 14, thereafter named Minnie Lee Avenue. Council directed that access to MiVida Dr from Emma Blvd shall be closed upon installation of Minnie Lee Ave, in order to discourage highway traffic from circulating near Helen M. Knight Elementary School.

Staff has attempted to negotiate with landowners in the north area of town to obtain space for dispersed parking, but at present all offers have been rejected. As an alternative to acquiring new space, staff propose utilizing existing street right-of-way on Maxine Ave and Emma Blvd. See attachment 1, which shows the proposed parking on Emma Blvd. This proposal will put to beneficial public use the future northern dead-end of Emma Blvd at MiVida Dr.

Funds will be provided from the UDOT-administered Dispersed Parking Hotspot funding. However, UDOT will not fund construction of Minnie Lee Ave. That would have to be funded and built concurrent with the Emma Blvd Dispersed Parking Lot using City funds. Staff request City Council permission to seek UDOT approval for the proposed use of Hotspot funding if Council concurs with funding construction of Minnie Lee Ave.