

FACT SHEET**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA****TITLE**

A resolution authorizing an agreement between the City of Shreveport and Overton Brooks VA Medical Center relative to a temporary construction servitude and a permanent servitude on City-owned property and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

DATE

March 21, 2023

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

SPAR

COUNCIL DISTRICT**SPONSOR****PURPOSE**

To authorize an agreement with Overton Brooks VA Medical Center relative to a temporary and permanent servitude on City-owned property.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Overton Brooks VA Medical Center is developing a project to expand its potable water storage capacity along the east side of their property that is adjacent to the City of Shreveport's (COS) property that runs parallel with the Clyde Fant Parkway. The planned improvement consists of two new 300,000 gallon above ground potable water storage tanks and stabilization of the slope that is east of the tank siting and extends downslope on COS property. Stabilization will require a gravity type retaining wall and armor plating the outfall on the downstream side of the new retaining wall.

There are two things that the VA will need from the City of Shreveport:

1. A construction easement that will grant the selected contractor access to site which will require some clearing and grubbing and grading. The easement will need to encompass the limits of construction. (Re: Exhibit 2 for limits of clearing and construction)
2. The COS will need to approve the installation of armor plating (riprap) from the face of the new retaining wall downslope along the natural drainage path to a point that is approximately 60 feet west of the existing concrete walking path (sidewalk). Armor plating will occur after the retaining wall is completed. (Re: COS Exhibit.pdf, Sierrascape Brochure 002.pdf, VAMC COS Slope Stability Photos.pdf, and Exhibit 2 – On Site Wall w Aerial.pdf)

This project will allow the VA to safely and effectively install the new tanks, gravity retaining wall, armor plate the outfall drainage path, fix the failing slope that continues to erode and deposit sediment on to the existing sidewalk and into the box culvert, and reduce and/or eliminate the need for ongoing removal of sediment by the COS.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: March 28, 2023

Final Passage: April 11, 2023

ATTACHMENT(S)

Sierrascape Brochure-Manufacturer's literature on retaining wall

VAMC COS Slope Stability Photos

Site Plan with Limits of Construction

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

None

FINANCES

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS**ALTERNATIVES**

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) Amend the ordinance, or (3) Reject the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Shreveport Public Assembly and Recreation recommends adoption of this Ordinance.

RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OVERTON BROOKS VA MEDICAL CENTER RELATIVE TO A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION SERVITUDE AND A PERMANENT SERVITUDE ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport desires to cooperate with the Overton Brooks VA Medical Center in the implementation of expanding its potable water storage capacity for their facility located at 510 E. Stoner in Shreveport, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has the authority to enter into these agreements as evidenced by its governmental purpose of rights, powers, privileges and authority that it has or could claim under the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this state; and

WHEREAS, these agreements provide for the health and safety of citizens and visitors of the City of Shreveport while visiting the Overton Brooks VA hospital. In addition, it will aid the Overton Brooks VA Medical Center during times of water emergencies and low water volume; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport will benefit from this work as it will protect further erosion of the bank onto the existing park area and will also clean-up and improve the area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has a reasonable expectation of receiving a benefit or value that is at least equivalent to or greater than the consideration described in these Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the use of public property is not a gratuitous donation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened, that in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree to the terms and condition in the attached agreements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office