

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Executive to execute a permanent easement across a portion of the Little Blue Trace Park in favor of Kansas City Power & Light Co. of Kansas City, Missouri, at no cost to the County.

RESOLUTION #17849, March 12, 2012

INTRODUCED BY Fred Arbanas, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Kansas City Power & Light Co., has requested a permanent easement across a portion of the Little Blue Trace Park property to allow installation of a new transmission line to improve service to the south Kansas City area; and,

WHEREAS, the route selected is located south of I-470 and west of View High Drive and will have no impact on the future expansion of the Little Blue Trace Trail; and,

WHEREAS, KCP&L will pay all fees associated with this request as are required by ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the execution of the attached easement is in the best interest of the health, welfare, and safety of the citizens of Jackson County; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the attached Easement Agreement is hereby approved and that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County the Agreement and any other

documents necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jay D. Hoden
Chief Deputy County Counselor

W. [Signature]
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution #17849 of March 12, 2012, was duly passed on March 19, 2012 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 8

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Excused
Absent 1

3.19.12
Date

Mary Jo Spino
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature


REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

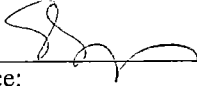
Completed by County Counselor's Office:

Res/~~Ord~~ No.: 17849

Sponsor(s): Fred Arbanas

Date: March 12, 2012

SUBJECT	<p>Action Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p>Project/Title: <u>Permanent Easement on the Little Blue Trace to KCP&L at I-470 and View High Drive</u></p>										
BUDGET INFORMATION <i>To be completed By Requesting Department and Finance</i>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount authorized after this legislative action:</td> <td>\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):</td> <td>\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number; FROM / TO</td> <td>FROM ACCT TO ACCT</td> </tr> </table> <p>* If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$</p> <p>OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No budget impact (no fiscal note required) <input type="checkbox"/> Term and Supply Contract (funds approved in the annual budget); estimated value and use of contract: Department: Estimated Use: \$</p> <p>Prior Year Budget (if applicable): Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable):</p>	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:	\$0	Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:	\$0	Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$0	Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):	\$0	Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number; FROM / TO	FROM ACCT TO ACCT
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PRIOR LEGISLATION	<p>Prior ordinances and (date): None</p> <p>Prior resolutions and (date): None</p>										
CONTACT INFORMATION	<p>RLA drafted by (name, title, & phone): Bruce Wilke, Landscape Architect, 503-4802</p>										
REQUEST SUMMARY	<p>We are requesting permission for the County Executive to execute the attached Permanent Easement agreement requested by Kansas City Power & Light to allow installation of a new 161kV transmission line across a portion of the Little Blue Trace Park property. KCP&L desires to extend an existing line to connect with another existing line to improve service to the south Kansas City area. KCP&L has searched for alternative routes and found there is no way to route the line that will not impact Jackson County property. The route selected just south of I-470 and west of View High Drive will have the least impact on County property and will have no impact on the future expansion of the Little Blue Trace Trail. Parks Department Staff have worked with KCP&L and feel this is the best route. KCP&L has agreed to pay all applicable County permit fees.</p>										
CLEARANCE	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Tax Clearance Completed (Purchasing & Department) <input type="checkbox"/> Business License Verified (Purchasing & Department) <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 6 Compliance - Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage (County Auditor's Office)</p>										
ATTACHMENTS	<p>Cover Letter; Easement Document; Vicinity Location Map</p>										
REVIEW	<p>Department Director: </p> <p>Date: 2-28-12</p>										

Finance (Budget Approval): <i>If applicable</i>	Date:
Division Manager: 	Date: 3/7/12
County Counselor's Office:	Date:

Fiscal Information (to be verified by Budget Office in Finance Department)

- This expenditure was included in the annual budget.
- Funds for this were encumbered from the _____ Fund in _____.
- There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.
- Funds sufficient for this expenditure will be/were appropriated by Ordinance # _____
- Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

Account Number:	Account Title:	Amount Not to Exceed:

- This award is made on a need basis and does not obligate Jackson County to pay any specific amount. The availability of funds for specific purchases will, of necessity, be determined as each using agency places its order.
- This legislative action does not impact the County financially and does not require Finance/Budget approval.

Memorandum

Date: February 28, 2012

To: Legislative Committee

From: Michele Newman, Director of Parks & Recreation

Sub: Permanent Easement for transmission line realignment

KCP&L is requesting passage of a Resolution approving a Permanent Easement to extend an existing electric transmission line crossing the Little Blue Trace Park property at I-470 and View High Drive adjacent to the Heartland Nursery.

Background:

- KCP&L desires to make a connection between two existing transmission lines to better serve their south Kansas City service area.
- KCP&L has studied various alignments due to opposition by the Corps of Engineers and private individuals to the line being run on their property.
- The selected route will bypass the Corps of Engineers property at Longview Lake and a private landowner, (Doerflinger).
- The route selected contains 0.95 acres of the park land but has no negative impact on the usability of the property.
- There will be no impact to the future expansion of the Little Blue Trace Trail.
- KCP&L is willing to pay the processing fee and charge for the easement property.

Please let me know if any additional information is required. I would be most happy to meet with you prior to the next Committee meeting to answer any remaining questions.



January 11, 2012

Ms. Michele Newman
Director of Park Operations
Jackson County Parks & Recreation
C/O Bruce Wilke, Planning
22807 Woods Chapel Road
Blue Springs, Missouri 64015

Re: New Transmission Line Over Jackson County Property Generally Located South of I-470 West of View High Drive and East of Raytown Road.

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Pursuant to those conversations and Jackson County Code Section 5099, please consider this letter KCP&L's formal request for an easement over the lands described and depicted in the enclosed Easement Conveyance. KCP&L proposes locating the line and related structures in the proposed easement (see enclosed Plan Profile). This transmission line will tap an existing 161kV Line and connect the same to a different 161 KV line to the west. It will allow KCP&L to improve electric service in the region.

KCP&L has explored all reasonable routing alternatives. It is impossible to relocate the line on non-county owned real estate without displacing a homeowner. Economical and topographic considerations prevent the line from being located elsewhere. There is no feasible way to route this line without impacting Jackson County property.

The proposed easement and line result in the least impact on Jackson County property. It will be located on lands adjacent to I-470 right of way and will adjoin Jackson County Land already encumbered by an electric easement. Other alternatives (line on the north side of 470) would increase the easement area and number of structures on Jackson County property. It would also double the amount of tree removal.



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