



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Item Number:** 9.

**Agenda Date:** 7/27/2016

**In Control:** Planning Commission

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**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation & Capital Improvements

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Mike Frisbie, P.E.

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** 1

**SUBJECT:** Disposition: ROW closure (an improved portion of Arden Grove)

### SUMMARY:

Consideration of a resolution recommending the closure, vacation and abandonment of a 0.110 acre (4,807 square feet) of an improved portion of Arden Grove, in Council District 1.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

CPS Energy notified the City of San Antonio of its intent to decommission the West Jones Avenue Radio tower and related ground space and vacate the premises as part of the continuing development of areas along the San Antonio River Walk.

This tower provides critical coverage for the City Public Safety Radio System. The City of San Antonio's ITSD Department is working with KSAT on an agreement that would allow the city to locate its transmitting and receiving radio antennas to the KSAT Tower located at 1408 N. St. Mary's Street. In addition, the ITSD Department is working on an agreement with the San Antonio Museum of Art (SAMA) to place the radio communications ground shelter and related equipment (Base Station) which supports the radio antennas on the adjoining property owned by SAMA at 317 Arden Grove.

The City of San Antonio's ITSD Department requests the city close, vacate and abandon its interest in a portion of Arden Grove. The San Antonio Museum of Art owns the abutting property surrounding the closure, and consents to the closure. If approved, SAMA intends to incorporate the right-of-way into its campus and install a security fence to block pedestrian traffic from trespassing onto its property. The closure of this right-of-way will improve security for the city's proposed radio shelter and KSAT radio tower sites.

**ISSUE:**

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**ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council could choose not to approve this request; however, if not approved, the city's ITSD Department will need to find another location to place its equipment that supports the radio antennas for the City Public Safety Radio System.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There are no fees associated with this closure since the request was initiated by the City's ITSD Department, Municipal Code Sec. 37-11(c).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this request to close, vacate and abandon its interest in a portion of Arden Grove.