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Eminent Domain Experts Matthew Deal and Mark Sikes of Deal Sikes & Associates to be Featured Guests on the "Real Estate Corner" Show on KCOH on Tuesday, Nov. 13

HOUSTON, TEXAS, Friday, November 2, 2012 — Eminent domain experts Matthew Deal and Mark Sikes of Houston-based Deal Sikes & Associates will appear as guests on the "Real Estate Corner" show on KCOH 1430 AM, the oldest urban-format radio station in Texas.

The one-hour radio show begins at 6 p.m. on Tuesday. Nov. 13. Deal and Sikes will entertain call-in questions from listeners about the real estate implications of Houston's massive roadway and light rail expansions.

Governmental entities have used the power of eminent domain to acquire private property recently along Highway 290, Loop 610 and a 37-mile new extension of the Grand Parkway on the north side of Houston.

The "Real Estate Corner" show is hosted by Houston Realtor Shad Bogany, chairman of the Texas Association of Realtors. Bogany, former chairman of the Houston Association of Realtors, has served on the board the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, an agency that assists as a resource in affordable housing initiatives. Bogany led ERA Bogany Properties to be the top ERA broker in Houston before his firm merged with Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Gary Greene in September.

"We will be delivering a lot of helpful information about the changing face of Houston and the impact of transportation improvements," Deal said. "Our firm has assisted hundreds of property owners as they were required to sell their property for public road expansions along the Katy Freeway, Highway 290, I-45, U.S. Highway 59 and elsewhere."

Property owners should retain professional counsel if they receive a purchase offer from a governmental entity, said Sikes, co-founder of Deal Sikes & Associates.

"In many instances, there can be a significant disparity between market value and what the government initially offers to pay for the property," Sikes said.

Both Mr. Deal and Mr. Sikes are state certified real estate appraisers, members of the International Right-of-Way Association and the Appraisal Institute. In 2011, Deal served as chairman of the Houston Chapter of the prestigious Counselors of Real Estate organization.

Deal Sikes & Associates represented Metro in the valuation and acquisition of hundreds of properties for the new light rail expansion, which is under construction in the center of Houston. The firm is a leader in commercial real estate valuation services and assisted in land acquisitions for major sports venues in downtown Houston.

Deal Sikes & Associates provides real estate valuation and counseling services for eminent domain initiatives, transactions, estate tax planning, due diligence research and litigation support. Deal Sikes & Associates provides real estate counseling and valuation services for governmental agencies, real estate companies, law firms and corporate clients across the nation.

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