Thursday, May 3, 2007

Item(s) to Set Public Hearing(s) RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 38

Subject: Set a public hearing to amend City Code Section 25-8-514 (Pollution Prevention Required), grant a waiver to Section 25-8-213 (D) (Water Quality Control Standards), and grant variances to Sections 25-8-65 (Roadways), 25-8-301 (Construction of a Roadway or Driveway), 25-8-341 (Cut Requirements), 25-8-342 (Fill Requirements), and 25-8-454 (Uplands Zone) of the City Code to allow construction of the Westbank Community Library facility and parking at the intersection of Bee Caves Road and Cuernavaca Drive. (Suggested date and time: May 17, 2007 6:00 p.m., Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, 301 West Second Street, Austin, TX). This action requires a site-specific amendment of the Save Our Springs Initiative and concerns property in the Barton Springs Zone.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Boards and Commission Action: Scheduled for Environmental Board consideration on May 2, 2007 and Planning Commission consideration on May 8, 2007.

Prior Council Action: Council passed Resolution No. 20070412-016 directing the City Manager to initiate code amendments and/or development agreements to appropriately address proposed development for Westbank Community Library.

The proposed amendment will allow construction of the Westbank Community Library facility and parking located near the intersection of Bee Caves Road and Cuernavaca Drive. The Westbank Community Library District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and has recently received a donation of approximately ten acres of property to construct a new branch library.

The proposed ordinance will allow construction of the library by granting:

- (1) a site-specific amendment to the Save Our Springs (SOS) Regulations as follows: Land Development Code Section 25-8-514 (A) (Pollution Prevention Required) to allow impervious cover of 45,000 square feet in the Barton Creek contributing zone, and to allow water quality controls designed and constructed in accordance with Section 25-8-213 (A), (B), and (C) (Water Quality Control Standards).
- (2) a variance to City Code Section 25-8-65 (Roadways) To grant a variance so that consideration of boundary street impervious cover is not required.
- (3) a waiver to City Code Section 25-8-213 (D) (Water Quality Control Standards)
- (4) a variance to City Code Sections 25-8-301 (Construction of a Roadway or Drive) 25-8-341 (Cut Requirements), and 25-8-342 (Fill Requirements) to grant a variance to allow construction of a private access drive.
- (5) a variance to City Code Section 25-8-454 (Uplands Zone) to grant a variance to allow impervious cover of 40,000 square feet in a Water Supply Rural Watershed (Lake Austin).