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Mayor Will Wynn
Mayor Pro Tem Betty Dunkerley
City Council Members

RE: Postponement Request for July 26, 2007 Agenda Items with the Case Numbers of NPA-07-0001.01 (Plan Amendment) and C14-2007-0048 (Rezoning)

Dear Mayor Wynn, Mayor Pro Tem Dunkerley and Council Members:

The Dawson Neighborhood Plan (Contact) Team (DNPT) requests a postponement of the Council hearing for these two proposed agenda items scheduled for July 26, 2007. There are several legitimate reasons for these items to be postponed but the most pressing is that Donald Dodson, President of the Dawson Neighborhood Association and other active members of the DNPT are out of town for vacation at this time and are not due back in time to attend this Council meeting. In addition, since this is the first Council meeting following summer break, there will be several important issues on this agenda and the DNPT believes that these two cases can be delayed until a time more convenient for the DNPT and the Council.

The DNPT is opposed to the Plan Amendment (NPA-07-0001.01) which, in actuality, is a change in our adopted Future Land Use Map that is in conflict with the text and intent of our adopted neighborhood plan. The zoning change (C14-2007-0048) is predicated on passage of the FLUM change. There is no project that is being delayed by this since, in order for a project to be started, the FLUM changes must be approved, several zoning changes must be approved and the properties must be purchased by a developer. Because of the many irregularities in how these cases have been processed by various city departments these cases are complex and precedent-setting in nature. The DNPT believes we deserve the time and attention required to adequately address our concerns. A letter detailing most of our major issues with this plan amendment and associated zoning change will be submitted in the backup materials for the July 26, 2007 Council Agenda. Thanking you in advance for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,
Cynthia Medlin
Chair of the Dawson NPT

cc: NPZD
DNA/DNPT Officers