Thursday, February 28, 2008

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

Item No. 66

Subject: Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending Section 25-1-23(B) of the City Code to exclude a portion of the area above a subsurface structure from land use impervious cover calculations. (Suggested date and time: March 6 2008, 6:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX.)

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

For More Information: Pat Murphy, 974-3443

Boards and Commission Action: The Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted on

February 26, 2008.

Prior Council Action: City Council adopted Resolution No. 20071011-057 on October 11, 2007.

The proposed code amendment will allow a portion of the area above a subsurface structure to be excluded from land use impervious cover measurements within the urban roadway boundary outside the Barton Springs Zone.

The area above a subsurface structure may be excluded from impervious cover measurements to a maximum of 15 percent of the site area, provided that there is a minimum of two feet of soil cover, with an average of four feet of cover. Any discharge or impoundment of groundwater resulting from the structure must be managed to avoid significant adverse effects on public health and safety, the environment, and adjacent property.