MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Will Wynn and Members of the City Council

From: Greg Guernsey
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Date: June 12, 2008

Subject: Capital Metro Item re: Howard Ln Station

Section 451.153, Texas Transportation Code, provides that a transit authority seeking to locate a train station within a city’s corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction must obtain the city council’s approval regarding whether the station’s location conforms to the comprehensive or general plan of the city. Capital Metropolitan Transit Authority (CMTA) is in the process of acquiring land at the intersection of Howard Lane and MOPAC Blvd. for a station for its commuter rail line and plans to begin construction of the station in Fall, 2008. CMTA has requested the City Council to approve the location as required by state law. Staff recommends approval of the station location. The location of other stations on the line are being approved of as a part station area plans which are currently being prepared or are approved as a part of already approved PUDs.

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