Thursday, July 24, 2008

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

Item No. 91

Subject: Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending the Austin Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan by adopting the Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Plan, generally bounded by Southwest Parkway to the north, Barton Creek Greenbelt to the east, FM 1826, Davis Lane, Clairmont Drive, Abilene Trail, Convict Hill Rd, and Loop 1 to the south, and Thomas Springs Road, Circle Drive and West View Road to the west. The watersheds are Williamson Creek, Slaughter Creek, and Barton Creek - Barton Springs Zone Watershed. (Suggested date and time: August 7, 2008 at 4:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 301 West Second Street.)

For More Information: Maureen Meredith, 974-2695; Greg Montes, 974-2629; Minal Bhakta, 974-6453; Sylvia Arzola, 974-6448.

Prior Council Action: October 20, 2005 - Council approved a resolution directing the Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department to develop neighborhood plans for three combined planning areas in Austin, including the South Lamar/Galindo/Zilker/Barton Hills neighborhood planning areas (NPAs), East & West Oak Hill NPAs, and the University Hills/Windsor Park NPA.

The Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Planning Area is generally bounded by Southwest Parkway to the north, Barton Creek Greenbelt to the east, FM 1826, Davis Lane, Clairmont Drive, Abilene Trail, Convict Hill Rd, and Loop 1 to the south, and Thomas Springs Road, Circle Drive and West View Road to the west. The watersheds are Williamson Creek, Slaughter Creek, and Barton Creek - Barton Springs Zone Watershed.

This action will set a public hearing for the Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Plan. This combined planning area includes the East Oak Hill Planning Area and the West Oak Hill Planning area. Associated with this plan are rezonings for the East Oak Hill (C14-2008-0129) & West Oak Hill (C14-2008-0125) Neighborhood Plan Combining Districts.

The rezoning requests will be posted for Council consideration on August 7, 2008.

Neighborhood Planning staff have been meeting with neighborhood stakeholders, including neighborhood associations, homeowners, renters, business owners, developers, and non-resident property owners and their representatives since September 2005 to develop the neighborhood plan. The first workshop was held on November 19, 2005, followed by a series of specific topic meetings and land use workshops approximately once a month. In addition, two surveys were conducted by mail and over the internet to collect feedback from the stakeholders. The final workshop was held on May 14, 2008.

Attached is a boundary map of the Oak Hill Combined neighborhood planning area.

The Neighborhood Plan was recommended by the Planning Commission on July 8, 2008.