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From Meredith, Maureen
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Subject FW: Comment to City Council about the Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Plan

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From John McCulloch & Lynne Fahlquist [mailto:~~redacted~~]
Sent Thursday, August 21, 2008 8 22 AM
To Meredith, Maureen, Connect, Austin City Connection
Cc Oak Hill NPCT, Perkins, Rick, Lynne & John
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Dear City Council Members and Maureen Meredith,

Although the City of Austin Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department solicited and collected information during the Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Planning Area process about desires for civic uses such as community centers, schools, parks, and open space during the Oak Hill Neighborhood Planning process, I am told that the City cannot recommend such uses on specific parcels of land in the Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Planning Area Future Land Use Map (OHCNPA FLUM)

This information is captured in the text of the plan, but is not depicted in the resulting zoning map and FLUM. Since the zoning map and FLUM are important and visual representations of the neighborhood planning process outcome, then I suggest that a written disclaimer be added to the OHCNPA FLUM and zoning map that states something like

"Although public spaces such as parks, open space, schools, and community centers are very much desired and underrepresented in the OHCNP area, these public uses cannot be depicted on this map because of private property rights concerns. Such public spaces become identified as land is developed or redeveloped."

I hope that you will take this suggestion under consideration as you deliberate the specifics of the Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Plan.

Thank you,
Lynne Fahlquist
Oak Hill Combined Neighborhood Planning Area Resident (and neighborhood planning participant)