

Thursday, November 6, 2008

Item(s) to Set Public Hearing(s) RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION Item No. 53

**Subject:** Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance regarding floodplain variances requested by Mr. and Mrs. Carmelo Macias to allow construction of a single-family residence at 10017 Wild Dunes Drive in the 100-year floodplain of Onion Creek with proposed finished floor elevation being one foot above the 100 year floodplain elevation and limiting the requirement to dedicate a drainage easement to the full limit of the 100-year floodplain by excluding the footprint of the proposed structure (only) from the easement dedication requirement. (Suggested date and time: November 20, 2008, 6:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, TX).

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

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Mr. and Mrs. Carmelo Macias, through their agent, Mr. Todd Blenden, P.E., of Commercial Engineering, Inc., propose construction of a single-family house at 10017 Wild Dunes Drive. The proposed residence is the subject of Building Permit application number BP-08-060784R.

The proposed house would contain 3,099 square feet. Currently the property is vacant of structures. The applicant seeks variances to the City of Austin's floodplain management regulations to obtain a building permit to construct the house within the 100-year floodplain and without vehicular or pedestrian access to an area at or above the Regulatory Flood Datum (RFD). The plans also propose a detached garage of 596 square feet with its proposed floor elevation below the RFD.

The depth of water at the curb gutter of Wild Dunes Drive during the 100-year flood event is up to 6.3 feet deep. The floodwater depth at the proposed house would be up to 5.8 feet deep.