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AGENDA



Thursday, December 11, 2008

Neighborhood Planning & Zoning **Item No. 35**
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Subject: Approve a resolution ordering City ad valorem taxes to be collected on properties located within the Lake Austin Shoreline Area adjacent to the Peninsula Annexation area (approximately 59 acres in Travis County located below the 504.9 foot mean sea level contour line).

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding necessary to provide general governmental services to this tract is available in the budgets of the departments which will be providing the services.

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Prior Council Action: January 30, 1986: Council approved an ordinance confirming the jurisdictional and taxation status of properties in this area.

The requested action would approve a resolution ordering the collection of City property tax on properties located within the Lake Austin Shoreline Area (approximately 59 acres in Travis County located below the 504.9 foot mean sea level contour line adjacent to the Peninsula Annexation area), in accordance with the process set out in a 1986 City ordinance. These properties have been within the City limits since 1891 by act of the Texas Legislature, but have not paid City taxes. They currently receive some but not all municipal services. After questions were raised about the status of the property within the 504.9 mean sea level contour line along Lake Austin, the City Council approved City Ordinance No. 860130-A which confirmed the jurisdictional and taxation status of properties located in this area, and provided that the City Council may approve a resolution ordering collection of taxes from properties in the area when full municipal services are available and provided to this area.

In a related item, the Council will consider an ordinance annexing the adjacent Peninsula Annexation area for full purposes with an effective date of December 31, 2008. Upon annexation, full municipal services will be made available to the Peninsula annexation area, and will also be provided in the adjacent Lake Austin Shoreline Area, which means the City may commence the collection of property tax, under Ordinance No. 860130-A.