

AGENDA



Thursday, June 10, 2010

Item(s) to Set Public Hearing(s)
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**Item No. 34**

Subject: Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance regarding floodplain variances requested by Mr. Scott Harpst and Ms. Patricia Kirksey for an existing development that converted a garage into conditioned area at the existing single-family residence at 300 Heartwood Drive, which is in the 25-year and 100-year floodplains of Williamson Creek. (Suggested date and time: June 24, 2010, 4:00 p.m., at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

Amount and Source of Funding: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

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Mr. Scott Harpst and Ms. Patricia Kirksey propose to validate development on their property for a residential remodel that converted the garage to conditioned space at the single-family residence at 300 Heartwood Drive. The property is entirely within the 25-year and 100-year floodplains of Williamson Creek. The development is the subject of Building Permit application number 2010-019476 PR.

The development included converting approximately 400 square feet of garage area into conditioned space. The applicant seeks variances to the City of Austin's floodplain management regulations to: 1) alter the structure in a way which increases its nonconformity; 2) not provide normal access from the building to an area that is a minimum of one foot above the design flood elevation; 3) not require the finished flood elevation of the converted area to be one foot above the design flood elevation; and 4) to exclude the building footprint from the drainage easement.

The depth of water at the curb of 300 Heartwood Drive is approximately 3.5 feet and 6.6 feet for the 25-year and 100-year flood events. The depth of water at the existing house is approximately 1.0 foot and 4.1 feet for the 25-year and 100-year flood events