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TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Rosie Truelove, Acting Director, CLMD

A handwritten signature, likely of Rosie Truelove, in dark ink.

DATE: October 13, 2010

SUBJECT: Airport Boulevard Form-based Code (FBC) Initiative – Public Comments

On September 23, 2010 Gateway Planning Group, Inc., Design Workshop, Inc. and McCann Adams Studio provided presentations to the City Council regarding the Airport Boulevard FBC Code Initiative. In addition, the presentations were displayed in the City Hall atrium and posted on a website developed by the Planning and Development Review department to allow for public comment. The website was closed on Tuesday, October 12, 2010. Enclosed are the comments received during the public comment period.

Finally, as a result of the violation of the Anti-Lobbying and Procurement Ordinance, McCann Adams Studio was disqualified for consideration on this project. All materials and comments pertaining to this firm were removed.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.

cc: Marc A. Ott, City Manager
Rudy Garza, Assistant City Manager
Rolando Fernandez, Acting Assistant Director, CLMD
George Adams, Assistant Director, PDRD

Encl: Airport Boulevard FBC – Public Comments



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Airport Boulevard Form-Based Code Initiative Public Comment Form

Your name: JEFF JACK
(Please print legibly. This page will be provided to the City Council electronically)

Which consultant(s) are you commenting on? (Please circle as appropriate)

- ☐ Austin Collaborative Design Studio (McCann Adams Studio)
- ☐ Design Workshop
- ☐ Gateway Planning Group

Your comments about the Consultants:

NONE OF THE TEAMS HAS OFFERED HOW ~~THE~~
TO DEVELOP AN ECONOMIC MODEL FOR
REDEVELOPMENT THAT WILL PREVENT
NEGATIVE GENTRIFICATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD
WITHOUT FINANCIAL SUBSIDIZES COMING FROM
REGRESSIVE TAXATION ON THE MODERATE AND
LOW INCOME TAXPAYERS IN OUR CITY?

PHYSICAL PLANNING WITHOUT ECONOMIC PLANNING
DOES NOT WORK FOR ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY.

Other comments:

GO W/ DESIGN WORKSHOP -

Thanks for your comments. Consultant presentations can be viewed at:
http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/planning/airport_bldvd.htm

Comments may also be submitted via e-mail by the close of business
September 30, 2010.

Please send e-mail comments to: george.adams@ci.austin.tx.us



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Your name: CLARKE HAMMOND
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Which consultant(s) are you commenting on? (Please circle as appropriate)

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- ☐ Design Workshop
- ☒ Gateway Planning Group

Your comments about the Consultants:

I LIKE AUSTIN COLLABORATIVE DESIGN
STUDIO'S PRESENTATION THE BEST.

Other comments:

DON'T SCREW THIS UP OR ABANDON IT
LIKE THE SOUTH CONGRESS IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT.

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From: Cindy Black [mailto:cindy@rickblack.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 06, 2010 4:50 PM
To: Ballas, Marisa
Cc: Adams, George
Subject: Re: Airport Boulevard Project Update

Hi Marisa & George,

I really appreciate you sending out this information. I'm home sick so I had the perfect opportunity to watch the video :)

I'm glad that both teams remaining consist of Austin-based professionals - I've met a number of them through the architecture world. After watching the presentations, I feel that the Design Workshop Group, with McKinney York Architects, would be the best choice for the design process. I felt that their topics were more specifically tuned in to the problems of Airport Boulevard. I liked that they started off by speaking to the infrastructure and traffic problems, and that the solution should be about 'dialing in the ratio' that is most appropriate for the volume of use. They seemed to have a diverse group of professionals that I think would dedicate the most effort to community involvement.

Thanks again,
Cindy Black