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Mayor Lee Leffingwell City of Austin 301 W. 2nd Street, 3rd Floor Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Request for Consideration of Amendment to Wholesale Wastewater Contract

Dear Mayor Leffingwell:

Please accept this letter as a request by the City of West Lake Hills for the City of Austin's consideration of amendment to the 2005 Revised Agreement for the provision of Wholesale Wastewater Service between the City of Austin and the City of West Lake Hills to allow approval of the extension of centralized wastewater service to the 12.481 acre tract of land located at the intersection of Bee Cave Road and Buckeye Trail, as depicted on the attached map (the "Assisted Living Site") and certain adjacent residential properties.

We have received a request for a zoning change and planned development district to allow the development of an assisted living community with dementia care on the Assisted Living Site. It originally proposed a septic system to treat its wastewater. The City Council of West Lake Hills supports the proposed project, but, because of its concerns regarding the underlying subsurface conditions at the site, including thin, low absorptive soil and fractured limestone, and the environmentally-sensitive nature of the area, the council has indicated its preference that the project be served by centralized wastewater service.

The plan would be to provide the existing residential properties located on lower Buckeye Trail with wastewater through the line which would be extended to provide service to the assisted living project. Sufficient capacity to serve both the Assisted Living Site and the additional residential properties is available under the existing contract, based on current flow data. The provision of wastewater service to this property will be an environmental benefit to both of our Cities. Due to the time constraints of the zoning case and the project, we ask for your help to expedite Austin's consideration of this request.

Please contact me with any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration and response.

Respectfully,

Dave Claunch

Mayor

cc:

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