

Closed Caption Log, Council Meeting, 5/6/04

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Mayor Wynn: IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME THIS MORNING MR. RAUL MUNOZ FROM THE SALVATION ARMY WHO WILL LEAD US IN OUR INVOCATION. RAUL?

GRACIOUS GOD, YOU HAVE BEEN GOD TO US BEYOND OUR DESERVING, MAKING OUR NATION A LAND OF LIBERTY. HELP US TO PROTECT OUR FREEDOMS WITH DILIGENCE AND INTEGRITY. LORD, BLESS OUR MILITARY AS IT ADVANCES FREEDOM'S CAUSE AROUND THE WORLD. BLESS ALSO THE INSTITUTIONS OF POWER AND INFLUENCE IN OUR SOCIETY, THE GOVERNMENT, THE CHURCHES, THE MEDIA, THE SCHOOLS, AND THE FAMILIES, MAY EACH BRING GLORY TO YOUR NAME. FORGIVE US WHEN WE STRAY FROM RIGHT PATHS. WE PLACE OUR TRUST IN YOU, OH, LORD, BELIEVING THAT YOUR HAND WILL SUSTAIN AMERICA. LET NO SHADOWS OBSCURE THE PATHWAYS WHICH WE SHOULD TREAD. WE PRAY IN YOUR HOLY NAME. AMEN.

THANK YOU, MR. MUNOZ, IF I COULD, COUNCIL W. NO OKAY, WE HAVE A PROCLAMATION THAT NORMALLY WE WOULD DO AT 5:30 IN THE AFTERNOON, BUT WHILE MR. MUNOZ IS HERE, I WOULD LIKE TO READ THIS PROCLAMATION REGARDING SALVATION ARMY WEEK AND IT READS, BE IT KNOWN WHEREAS THE SALVATION ARMY HAS BEEN EXTENDING A HELPING HAND TO LESS FORTUNATE AUSTINITES FOR 115 YEARS WITH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DESIGNED TO MEET THEIR SPIRITUAL NEEDS AND WHEREAS BECAUSE OF ITS POLICY OF OPENEN HANDEDNESS, NO INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY HAS EVER BEEN TURNED AWAY UNCLOTHED OR

HUNGRY. WE ARE PLEASED TO COMMEND THE WORK OF THE THOUSANDS OF DEDICATED MEMBERS, WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVE SO SELFISHLY IN CARRYING OUT THE SALVATION ARMY MISSION TO THE BENEFIT OF OUR NATION, OUR STATE AND ESPECIALLY OUR FAIR CITY OF AUSTIN. NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WIN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO HERE BY PROCLAIM MAY 12TH THROUGH 18th, 2004, AS SALVATION ARMY WEEK AND CALL ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN ME IN THANKING THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION AND ALL THEY DO FOR THE NEEDIEST IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, MAYOR, AND WE DO INDEED CELEBRATE NATIONAL SALVATION ARMY NEXT WEEK WITH A MODEL OF HEART TO GOD, EVERYTHING THE SALVATION ARMY DOES IT WOULDN'T BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY. SO I THANK YOU ON BEHALF NOT ONLY OF THE SALVATION ARMY BUT MORE IMPORTANTALLY PEOPLE THAT ARE THE BENEFICIARIES OF ALL OF THE SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE. BLESS YOU. [APPLAUSE]

ACTUALLY, WE WON'T BE CALLING THE COUNCIL TO ORDER FOR A FEW MORE MINUTES, WE'RE WAITING FOR A COUPLE OF COUNCILMEMBERS WHO HAD A CONFLICT THIS MORNING SO WE'RE PROBABLY FIFTEEN OR 20 MINUTES AWAY BEFORE WE CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER, BUT AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE COUNCILMEMBER DANNY THOMAS.

Thomas: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. TODAY THIS MORNING WE WERE PRAYING LIKE MR. KNOWN NOSE SAID ABOUT THE TEACHER, WE PRAY THE TEACHERS ALL ALL OVER THE NATION AND THE STOKTS STATE OF TEXAS, THAT THEY HAVE A CLEAR MIND AND ARE ABLE TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN. TODAY I WANT TO WELCOME BACK A TEACHER WHO HAS BEEN STRUGGLING WITH SOME ILLNESS AND I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY AND PRIVILEGE TO SPEAK TO A CLASS THAT BARBARA JORDAN, AND THAT IS MS. CLEIN, AT BARBARA JORDAN ELEMENTARY, I WANT TO WELCOME HERE BACK, THIS IS HER FIRST DAY BACK WITH HER STUDENTS AND I WANT TO SAY FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, GOD BLESS YOU AND GOD'S PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: I WILL NOW CALL TO ORDER THE MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. IT'S THURSDAY, MAY 6th. 2004, WE'RE IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY. 3700 LAKE AUSTIN BOULEVARD IN AUSTIN. IT'S ABOUT 10 MINUTES BEFORE 11 A.M. AT THIS TIME I WILL READ OUR CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS TO THIS WEEK'S POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 28 THE SUGGESTED DATE AND TIME FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE CHANGED FROM MAY 13th TO MAY 27th. 27TH. ON ITEM NUMBER 44, IT SHOULD BE NOTED IN A THENOTED THAT THE RELATED ITEM IS ITEM 29, NOT ITEM 26. OUR TIME-CERTAIN ITEMS FOR TODAY, AT NOON WE BREAK FOR OUR GENERAL CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS. AT 2:00, WE HAVE A BRIEFING THAT SHOWS AS ITEM NUMBER 34 WHICH IS OUR QUARTERLY ECONOMIC DATA REPORT FROM STAFF. AT 4:00 WE BREAK FOR ZONING HEARINGS AND AFL APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, ITEM Z 1 THROUGH Z 18. AND I WILL ANNOUNCE NOW THAT STAFF WILL BE REQUESTING FOUR POSTPONEMENTS ALTHOUGH TECHNICALLY WE WON'T VOTE ON THOSE POSTPONEMENTS UNTIL THE 4 P.M. POSTED TIME. STAFF IS REQUESTING THAT THE FOLLOWING CASES BE POSTPONED. Z 3, KNOWN AS THE HOUSE OF TUTORS, TO JUNE 10th, 2004. Z 4, THE WEST UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD TO JUNE 10th, 2004. Z 5, THE NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD, JUNE 10th. 2004. AND Z 6, THE HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD, AGAIN TO JUNE 10TH, 2004. COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

Dunkerly: WOULD YOU CLARIFY WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO TODAY ON THE -- THAT NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN?

Mayor Wynn: SEEMS TO ME WITH STAFF ASKING FOR THOSE FOUR POSTPONEMENTS WE STILL WILL BE TAKING UP THE ACTUAL NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN Z 3 THROUGH Z 6 BEING ACTUAL ZONING CHANGES. Z 1 IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD -- THE COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN FOR CENTRAL AUSTIN THAT STAFF APPARENTLY IS NOT ASKING FOR A POSTPONEMENT AS WELL AS Z 2 WHICH IS BEING REFERRED TO AS THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY WILL ALSO BE TAKEN UP TODAY.

THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO DO. I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WAS IT. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: RIGHT. AGAIN, WE WON'T TAKE THAT ACTION TO TAKE UP EITHER THOSE TWO CASES OR POSTPONEMENT UNTIL THE 4 P.M. POSTED TIME CERTAIN. AT 6 P.M. WE HAVE PUBLIC HEARINGS. THOSE SHOW ON TODAY'S AGENDA AS ITEMS 40 THROUGH 43. I WILL ANNOUNCE NOW THAT STAFF WILL BE REQUESTED ITEM NUMBER 41 RELATED TO OUR CITY ROAD PLAN TO BE POSTPONED WITH NO DATE TO BE TAKEN UP. COUNCIL, THERE'S NO -- FROM LAST NIGHT THERE WERE NO ITEMS TO BE PULLED BUT I WOULD LIKE TO PULL ITEM NUMBER 14, MS. BROWN, AND THEN I'LL HAVE A QUICK CLARIFYING QUESTION ON ITEM NUMBER 8, I THINK WE CAN LEAVE ITEM NUMBER 8 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. ITEM NUMBER 23 ON TODAY'S AGENDA IS THE BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS, AND AT THIS TIME I'LL READ THOSE INTO THE RECORD. TO OUR BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RON LACHTA. TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, RENTERIA IS THE EAST AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVE AND A CONSENSUS REAPPOINTMENT. TO ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION, SNAPPER CARR AND TO THE TELE-COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, JAMES HOWARTON IS MY APPOINTMENT. THOSE ARE THE BOARDS AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS THAT SHOW AS ITEM NUMBER 23. COUNCIL, ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA? SO FAR ONLY ITEM 14 HAS BEEN PULLED. WITH THAT I WILL READ WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE THE CONSENT AGENDA NUMERICALLY. WE'VE HAD A NUMBER OF CITIZENS SIGNED UP ON NUMBER 3 SO I'LL TAKE THAT OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR A LIKELY BRIEF DISCUSSION AFTERWARDS. SO ITEM NUMBER 3 WILL BE PULLED. SO THE CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE NUMERICALLY. ITEM 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, AS BOARD AND COMMISSION HAS BEEN RED READ INTO THE RECORD. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, FOR CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS, AND I BELIEVE THAT IS IT. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ.

SECOND.

MOTION MADE BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM. SECONDED BY

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

Dunkerly: I HAVE ONE COMMENT. ON ITEM NUMBER 24, WE HAVE A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE SELECTION OF THE BOARD AND REGARDING SOME EMPLOYEE ISSUES RELATING TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. DO YOU KNOW SEVERAL WEEKS AGO THE COUNCIL PASSED A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FORM MEATION OF THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT AND THIS IS JUST TO GIVE SOME ADDED DIRECTION TO STAFF THAT WE WANT THEM TO WORK HARD TO ENSURE THAT OUR EMPLOYEES REMAIN MEMBERS OF OUR EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND ALSO THAT THEY GET TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE THE BENEFITS AND PAY SCHEDULES THIS THEY HAVE NOW. OUR INTENT IS TO KEEP THEM ON STAFF AT THIS TIME AND DO A CONTRACT ARRANGEMENT, BUT WE WANTED TO CHAIRIFY CLARIFY IT'S IN ALL OF OUR INTEREST THEY REMAIN MEMBERS OF OUR RETIREMENT. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MEMBER PDUNKERLY. I HAVE ONE QUICK QUESTION ON POLICE STAFF, ON ITEM NUMBER 8, THIS IS THE ASSISTANT DA FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD GUN CRIMES PROGRAM. THIS IS NOT UNLIKE SOME OTHER ASSISTANT DA'S THAT WE HAVE THAT WORK SPECIFIC FOR NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAMS IN THE CITY, AND I GOT TWO DIFFERENT ANSWERS WHEN I ASKED THE FUNDING SOURCES FOR THIS PARTICULAR ASSISTANT DA. JUST CONFIRM, I HAD ASKED THE INITIAL AGENDA SUMMARY IMPLIES JUST PART OF OUR, YOU KNOW, ANNUAL BUDGET, BUT THEN AS PART OF THE QUESTION RESPONSE, NOTED THAT THERE WAS ACTUALLY A FEDERAL GRANT THAT PAYS 100% OF THIS COST.

YES, SIR. ASSISTANT CHIEF WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. THIS IS GRANT FUNDED SOLELY PAID FOR BY A GRANT OF \$83,000 AND THIS DISTRICT ATTORNEY POSITION ACTUALLY IS CROSS-FUNCTIONAL PURPOSES, SCHS AS A SIGN IN THE U.S. ATTORNEY OFFICE AND PROSECUTES OUR FELONY GUN CASES. AND ALSO PROSECUTES THEM IN FEDERAL COURT AND STREAMLINES THE PROCESS SO WE DON'T THE DEBATE OF WHETHER OR NOT TO TAKE CASES TO STATE OR DISTRICT COURT, OR WHETHER OR NOT TO GO TO FEDERAL, HE'S KIND OF THE ONE-SHOP, YOU GO TO HIM AND HE TAKES CARE OF EITHER ROUTE, YOU GO TO HIM AND HE

PROSECUTES CASES.

IT'S A FEDERAL GRANT, I PRESUME?

YES, IT IS.

CHIEF, THE CONFUSION MAY BE ON THE ANSWER JUST THAT THAT GRANT IS RECOGNIZED IN OUR BUDGET DOCUMENT, THE POSITION IN THE GRANT OR THE PROGRAM RECOGNIZED IN THE BUDGET DOCUMENT?

POSSIBLY.

OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, CHIEF. FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? IF I COULD, I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE ITEM NUMBER 25 IS AN ITEM FROM COUNCIL THAT I'M JOINED FROM THE MAYOR PRO TEM AND COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER IN SPONSORING IT. IT'S REGARDING THE POTENTIAL MANUFACTURING OF WIND ENERGY PARTS HERE IN THE AUSTIN AREA, AND THEY'RE VERY COMPLEMENTARY TOO, IF YOU REMEMBER, WE NOW HAVE A SOLAR REBATE PROGRAM WHERE WE HAVE A SPECIFIC PRICE PER KILOWATT HOUR IN A REBATE TO POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS, YET WE GO BEYOND THAT AND SAY IF THOSE SOLAR PANELS ARE MANUFACTURED HERE IN THE AUSTIN AREA, WE'LL EXTEND A SLIGHTLY LARGER REBATE, ESSENTIALLY TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE POTENTIAL INCENTIVE FOR CREATING MANUFACTURING JOBS IN THIS COMMUNITY RELATED TO CLEAN ENERGY. THAT PROGRAM IS SPECIFICALLY FOR SOLAR. THIS ITEM FOR COUNCIL IS ASKING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE THAT SAME APPROACH WITH WIND ENERGY. AS YOU KNOW, THE VAST MAJORITY OF AUSTIN ENERGY'S RENEWABLE POWER IS CURRENTLY PURCHASED THROUGH WIND POWER CONTRACTS AND WHAT THIS INSTRUCTION TO THE CITY MANAGER IS FOR HER TO MOVE FORWARD AND HAVE THAT SAME APPROACH TO THE EXTENT THAT WE CAN ENCOURAGE THE MANUFACTURING JOBS IN THE AUSTIN AREA IN THE WIND SEGMENT OF CLEAN AREA, WE HOPE THAT THERE'S SOME OPPORTUNITIES THERE FOR JOB GROWTH AS WELL AS OUR CONTINUED EXPANSION OF CLEAN ENERGY PORTFOLIOS, AUSTIN

ENERGY. I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MR. DAVID GONZALEZ IS HERE WITH US IN THE AUDIENCE. MR. GONZALEZ IS WITH GAMASA ENERGIA WHICH IS A SPANISH WIND ENERGY FIRM BASED IN MADRID, SPAIN, WHO WE MET ABOUT A YEAR AGO IN AUSTIN AT THE NATIONAL WIND POWER ASSOCIATION, ALONG WITH THE LEADERS OF AUSTIN ENERGY. I SAT DOWN AND WE ENCOURAGED AND INTRODUCED AUSTIN TO GAMASA AND JUST RECENTLY GAMASA HAS OPENED UP A WIND SALES OFFICE HERE IN AUSTIN THAT THEY'RE ABOUT TO HOPEFULLY LEASE A SIGNIFICANT CHUNK OF OFFICE SPACE HERE IN AUSTIN, HIRING A NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THEIR WIND SALES DIVISION, AND IT'S -- I THINK IT'S PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE THAT GAMASA HAS BEEN LOOKING AT LOCATING A MANUFACTURING FACILITY SOMEWHERE IN THE U.S. AND WE'RE PROUD TO SEE MR. GONZALEZ HERE AND WE HOPE THAT THIS ITEM IS ENCOURAGING FOR THAT PROCESS WITH GAMASA. WELCOME, MR. GONZALEZ. FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA? THERE'S A MOTION AND A SECOND TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH COUNCILMEMBER McCRACKEN CURRENTLY OFF THE DAISMIS. COUNCIL, I BELIEVE WE CAN TAKE UP ITEM NUMBER 3 IN RELATIVELY SHORT ORDER. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF CITIZENS SIGNED UP TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM. I DON'T KNOW IF THIS REALLY REQUIRES A STAFF PRESENTATION OR NOT. THESE ARE THE AUSTIN ENERGY FUNDING FOR THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAMS, AND PERHAPS MR. GARZA COULD JUST SIMPLY INTRODUCE THE CONCEPT AND THE PROGRAM, WE'LL THEN CALL ON OUR CITIZENS TO SPEAK.

CERTAINLY, MAYOR. COUNCILMEMBERS, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECTED THAT FROM THE MONEYS THAT ARE ANNUALLY APPROPRIATED FOR THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD, THAT WE SET ASIDE A PORTION OF IT TO BE AWARDED BASED ON A COMPETITIVE GRAND BASIS. IT'S \$100,000. WE DID THAT LAST YEAR AND VERY SUCCESSFULLY RAN THAT PROGRAM AND WE AGAIN DID IT THIS YEAR. THE -- THE PROGRAM IS SPECIFICALLY TARGETED TO ONLY AFFECT THE HOLLY AREA, THEREFORE WE ONLY ADVERTISE OR APPROACH GROUPS WITHIN THE

HOLLY AREA. WE SEND OUT INVITATIONS TO ALL OF THESE APPLICANTS THAT WE HAD FROM LAST YEAR, A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, ANY OF THE ACTIVE GROUPS IN THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD AREA. WE TOOK THOSE APPLICATIONS, REVIEWED THEM AND THEN MADE A RECOMMENDATION AGAIN FOCUSING OURSELVES IN ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD OPERATE THERE IN THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD AREA.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GARZA. ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL?

Thomas: YES, SIR.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS?

Thomas: YOU SAID YOU ALL GET TOGETHER. WHO MAKES THE DECISION?

MYSELF AND TWO OF MY ASSISTANTS WOULD GET TOGETHER, REVIEW ALL OF THE APPLICATIONS AND THEN MAKE A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE CITY COUNCIL.

Thomas: OKAY. SO NO -- NO INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY WHEN YOU MAKE IT?

WELL, WHAT WE DO IS WE -- WE'RE ACTUALLY INVITING THEM TO -- THROUGH THE APPLICATION PROCESS TO GIVE US THEIR IDEAS. WHAT WE DON'T OPEN UP THE REVIEW PROCESS IN TERMS OF SELECTING THE FINALISTS TO THE COMMUNITY.

DO ALLPLEGICS -- WHAT DOES THE COUNCIL SEE WHEN THEY ACT ON A SET? DO THEY SEE ONLY THE RECOMMENDED APPLICATIONS? WHAT INFORMATION DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE WHEN THEY ACT?

WE'VE GOT THE -- THE STUFF THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING. WE -- WE CAN MAKE AVAILABLE TO A COUNCIL ANY OF THE APPLICATIONS THAT ARE NOT BEING RECOMMENDED.

THE REASON I SAY THAT, COUNCILMEMBERS, I KNOW IN THE

HISTORY PACKET THAT I MAINTAIN FROM YEAR-TO-YEAR, IN THE BACKUP WE PROVIDE APPLICATIONS THAT WEREN'T SELECTS, AS WELL AS THE APPLICATIONS THE COUNCIL VOTED ON. THERE'S A WAY FOR YOU TO SEE YOU THINK THERE'S AN APPLICATION THERE THAT YOU PREFER OR THINK SHOULD MOVE TO THE FOREFRONT WHEN THE COUNCIL TAKES ACTION.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, CITY MANAGER, AT THIS TIME WE'LL CALL CITIZENED WHO SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. MR. GA GAVINO FERNANDEZ. MANY FOLKS WERE OFFERING TO GIVE YOU TIME. IS LEON FERNANDEZ HERE? WELCOME. SO YOU'LL HAVE UP TO NINE MINUTES IF YOU NEED THEM.

MY NAME IS GAVINO FERNANDEZ. WE VISITED THE ITEM THAT IS BEFORE YOU TODAY FOR CONSIDERATION, AND DISCUSSED THE ITEMS, AND THROUGH THAT DISCUSSION AROSE SOME QUESTIONS THAT WE WOULD LIKE FOR THIS COUNCIL OR SOMEONE TO ANSWER FOR US. BEFORE I BEGIN, I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY, BECAUSE MY STATEMENTS STATEMENTS, I DON'T WANT THEM TO BE INTERPRETED AS CRITICISM. WE FELT COMPELLED TO MAKE OUR QUESTIONS AND HAVE INQUIRIES THUS NOT, YOU KNOW, RELIEVING OUR OBLIGATION AS FIDUCIARY TAXPAYERS OF THIS COMMUNITY IN REGARDS TO THIS ISSUE. AND I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE WERE \$450,000 MADE AVAILABLE TO HOME REPAIR, HOME IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AREA, IN ADDITION TO THE 250,000 THAT WERE MADE I THINK IN A PREVIOUS YEAR. LIKE WE HAD MENTIONED TO YOU BEFORE, THERE HAD BEEN NUMEROUS SURVEYS DONE ON THE -- ON THE HOLLY AREA, WE DIDN'T FEEL IT WAS NECESSARY TO HAVE ANOTHER ONE DONE, BUT IN THE INFORMATION THAT I RECEIVED VIA AN E-MAIL OF THE \$250,000, \$30,000 WERE DONE TO DO A SURVEY WHEN WE HAD ALREADY DONE FIVE AND 33 HOMES, ACCORDING TO DOCUMENTATION, ARE BEING REPAIRED. SO IF YOU DO THE MATH, \$30,000, 33 HOMES, YOU'RE LOOKING AT \$1,000 PER HOME OF SURVEY THAT WE SPENT AS A TAXING ENTITY FOR SOMETHING THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN DONE AND ALREADY BEEN DECLARED. ALSO THERE'S A CONSENSUS AMONG THE HOMEOWNER THAT THE PROGRAM AT THE ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL BECAUSE IT'S ACADEMIC AND IT'S ENHANCEMENT, THAT THAT BE CONTINUING FUNDING OF THESE DOLLARS. WE SEE THAT AS A VERY VIABLE AND INTEGRAL INVESTMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY. AT THE SAME TIME THERE ARE NUMEROUS PROGRAMS, AND NOW I'M SPEAKING AS A FORMER PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM DELIVERY, RECREATION CENTERS, CENTER PROGRAMS AT CENTERS, AND WHAT WE'RE FINDING HERE IS THAT WE'RE NOW SUBSIDIZING GENERAL FUND PROGRAMS AT COST CENTERS WITH HOLLY MITIGATION DOLLARS. A PRACTICE THAT WE HAVE WARNED THIS COUNCIL THAT WE DIDN'T WANT TO GET INTO, BECAUSE, AGAIN, WHY ARE WE NOT SPENDING GENERAL FUND DOLLARS ON THESE PROGRAMS? WHY ARE WE INSTEAD USING -- WE ALREADY USED CDBG DOLLARS TO DO A LOT OF INFRASTRUCTURE IN EAST AUSTIN. NOW WE'RE USING THE HOLLY MITIGATION DOLLARS. SO WHERE ARE GENERAL FUND DOLLARS GOING? AND OUR QUESTION SO THIS COUNCIL IS WHY IS THIS HAPPENING? AND TWO, THERE'S SOME PROGRAMS HERE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE VALLEY EAST AND THE EAGLE S DRILL TEAM THAT ARE ONCE AGAIN FUNDED YEAR AFTER YEAR AFTER YEAR WHEN WE WERE TOLD ON THE ONSET THAT PROGRAMS OF THIS NATURE WERE ONLY GOING TO BE FUNDED ON A ONE-TIME BASIS SO THAT THEY COULD LEVERAGE ADDITIONAL FUNDS. WELL, THIS HAS BECOME MORE THAN A ONE-TIME. THIS HAS BECOME MORE OF A REPETITIVE FUNDING, AND IN LOOKING AT THE CONTRACT THAT YOU'RE ABOUT TO VOTE ON, ON THE CONTRACT IT SAYS THAT, YOU KNOW, IT'S SUPPOSED TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 2003, AND END ON SEPTEMBER 30th OF 2003. AND I THINK WE'RE ALREADY IN MAY OF 2004. AND THEN, AS A FOOTNOTE TO THE CONTRACT, YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT WAS WRITTEN IN THAT SAYS PROGRAM DURATION, SEPTEMBER 2004 TO MAY. I THINK THAT'S WHAT IT SAID. SO AGAIN I BRING UP THE QUESTION IS ARE WE JUST RUBBER STAMPING THESE BECAUSE -- I MEAN I'M NOT GOING TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION, BUT MY QUESTION IS WHY ARE WE JUST RUBBER STAMPING THESE PROGRAMS? IT SAYS PROGRAM DURATION, SEPTEMBER 2003, TO MAY 2004. SO ACCORDING TO THIS CONTRACT THAT YOU'RE GOING TO VOTE ON, IT'S ALREADY HAPPENED, SO ARE WE JUST REIMBURSING THIS PROGRAM? SO, AGAIN, THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS THAT ARE BEING SPENT COULD

EASILY GO TO HOMEOWNERS, SENIOR CITIZENS, THAT THROUGH HOT WEATHER AND THROUGH COLD WEATHER ARE STILL SUFFERING BECAUSE THEIR ROOFS LEAK, BECAUSE THEIR ELECTRICITY IS A FAR CRY FROM TODAY'S STANDARDS, AND THESE ARE THE INVESTMENTS THAT WE INITIALLY THOUGHT WERE GOING TO BE DONE IN OUR COMMUNITY UNDER THE LEADERSHIP AT THAT TIME OF COUNCILMEMBER ERIC MITCHAL WHO ENCOURAGED THE CITY AND AUSTIN ENERGY TO INVESTIGATE MITIGATION DOLLARS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND ANOTHER THING WE HAVE AS A QUESTION IS WE WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO DEFINE TOES WHAT IS THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD AREA GEOGRAPHICALLY, BECAUSE AS OF TODAY, THAT DEFINITION HAS NEVER BEEN GIVEN TO US. ANOTHER THING, ARE THESE PROGRAMS THAT ARE BEING DONE, GOING TO BE FUNDED, ARE THESE PROGRAMS FEE-BASED? MEANING THAT IF A CHILD DOESN'T HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY FOR A SUMMER DAY CAMP, FOR EXAMPLE, TO THE TUNE OF \$100 OR WHATNOT, IS THAT CHILD NOT PART OF RECEIVING THE SERVICES BECAUSE HE OR SHE COULD NOT AFFORD IT? AND THE OTHER ONE IS ACCOUNTABILITY, THE MONITORING, ONCE WE AWARD THESE, ESPECIALLY TO THE EXTERNAL ENTITIES, IS THERE A MONITORING PROCESS, IS THERE ACCOUNTABILITY IN THIS PROCESS? FOR EXAMPLE, ON NUMBER 10, IN MY INQUIRY, WELL, YOU KNOW, WE JUST HEARD THAT THEY MEET IN THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD AREA. THEIR ADDRESSES, THEIR ZIP CODE, I MEAN DO WE KNOW THEY ACTUALLY COME FROM THIS AREA? WELL, NO, WE JUST TAKE THE WORD FROM THEM BECAUSE THEY MEET AT THE FACILITIES. COUNCIL, AGAIN, BASE CHI BASICALLY WE'RE JUST WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT THE INVESTMENT THAT IS MADE IN IN THIS COMMUNITY FOR THE HARM THAT THE CURRENT POWERPLANT HAS DONE IS NOT ABUSED, MAYOR. AND I REMEMBER VERY SUCCINCTLY WHEN YOU AND I AND COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ AND McCRACKEN WHO IS NOT HERE WERE SPEAKING TO GROUPS WHEN WE WANTED TO BE ELECTED TO THIS OFFICE, THAT Y'ALL WOULD STOP THIS TYPE OF APPROVING OF ITEMS WITHOUT ASKING QUESTIONS AND JUST RUBBER STAMPING THEM. AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL FULFILL THAT PLEDGE AND COMMITMENT THAT YOU MADE TO THE VOTERS OF THIS COMMUNITY, TO INQUIRY AND TO JUST NOT RUBBER

STAMP THESE TYPE OF PROGRAMS. AND AGAIN, THEY'RE VERY SERIOUS ONE THAT I HAVE IS THIS HABIT OF FUNDING GENERAL FUND PROGRAMS OUT OF THE HOLLY MITIGATION DOLLARS, BECAUSE TWO YEARS FROM NOW, WHENEVER THESE DOLLARS NO LONGER EXIST, THEN WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN? SO, AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY, MAYOR, TO HAVE AND BRING THIS ISSUE AND CONCERN TO YOU, AND I HOPE THAT THIS COUNCIL WILL LOOK INTO THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS THAT ARE BEING SPENT AND DO ASK QUESTIONS AS OPPOSED TO JUST RUBBER STAMPING THESE PROJECTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. (ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS...)

YES, MA'AM. PAUL HILGERS, NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. A COUPLE OF ISSUES IF I COULD. ONE, WE DO NOT USE CDBG DOLLARS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE, AND WE HAVEN'T FOR THE PAST ABOUT 25 YEARS. WE DO USE CDBG DOLLARS TO DO REHABILITATION ON PEOPLE'S HOMES. IT'S ONE OF THE ALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES THAT WE DO. ONE OF THE REASONS THAT WE ARE PROUD OF OUR WORK AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THE MITIGATION MONEY VERY FOCUSED, VERY TARGETED AREA AROUND THE HOLLY PLANT IS IT ALLOWS US TO LEVERAGE THOSE DOLLARS, BUT IT ALSO ALLOWS US TO SERVE THE PEOPLE IN THE HOLLY MITIGATION AREA WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY OF THEIR -- WITHOUT HAVING TO REQUIRE THEM TO BE INCOME ELIGIBLE FROM A CDBG STANDPOINT. THAT IS ONE OF THE QUESTIONS THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD REALLY WAS VERY ADAMANT ABOUT WAS THEY DIDN'T WANT THEM TO HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE CDBG ELIGIBILITY. ANOTHER POINT OF CLARIFICATION IS WHILE COUNCIL MAY HAVE AUTHORIZED UP TO \$30,000 ON THE SURVEY, THE SURVEY WE SPENT APPROXIMATELY ABOUT A THOUSAND DOLLARS ON, MAYBE JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE, AND THAT SURVEY IS CONTINUING TO GO ON. WE'LL BE GLAD TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILED ANALYSIS OF EXACTLY WHAT THE BENEFITS OF THE MITIGATION PROGRAM HAS BEEN WITH REGARD TO SERVING THE HOUSEHOLDS IN THE AREA AND WHAT OUR PLANS ARE TO CONTINUE TO DO SO BECAUSE I THINK YOU'LL BE VERY PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS.

Dunkerley: THANK YOU FOR CLARIFYING THAT.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: TO FOLLOW-UP, MR. HILGERS. AS I RECALL, WE ACTUALLY SET ASIDE \$30,000 FOR THE SURVEY, BUT THE \$250,000 THAT WE SET ASIDE WAS SEPARATE FROM THE MONEY TO BE USED FOR THE SURVEY. IS THAT CORRECT?

I BELIEVE WHAT WE'VE DONE IS -- I THINK THAT'S CORRECT. SECONDLY, WHAT WE ALSO DID WAS WE'VE USED OUR OWN STAFF TIME TO GO OUT INDIVIDUALLY AND MINIMIZE THE COST OF THAT SURVEY SO THAT WE'RE WORKING DIRECTLY WITH THE CITIZENS AND THE RESIDENTS OF THAT AREA SO THAT THAT 30,000 ISN'T EVEN EXPENDED AT THAT LEVEL.

Alvarez: I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT AND ALSO NOTE THAT THE REASON WE INCLUDED HOME REPAIRS AS PART OF THE MITIGATION FUND IS BECAUSE WE'RE HEARING FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD NEIGHBORS THAT HAS A FUNCTION OR SOMETHING THAT THEY'RE INTERESTED IN. SO I THINK INITIALLY 250,000 AND THEN THIS FISCAL YEAR IT'S 450,000 ADDITIONAL. AND I ASSUME WE HAVE ENOUGH REQUESTS FOR CITIZENS --

WE ABSOLUTELY DO, YES, SIR.

Alvarez: TO MAKE USE OF THE FUNDS. BUT I GUESS IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR US TO GET A REPORT ON.

I'LL BE GLAD TO HAVE ONE FOR YOU.

Alvarez: THE OTHER POINT I WANTED TO MAKE ALSO IS PART OF THE HOLLY PLANT MITIGATION IS SOMETHING THAT WAS CREATED BECAUSE THE COMMUNITY WAS INTERESTED IN HAVING THERE BE SUPPORT FOR SOME OF THE SMALL ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING RECREATION AND ACTIVITIES TO THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD KIDS. SO THAT'S WHY WE CREATED THE SMALL GRANT PROGRAM BECAUSE BEFORE THAT I THINK IT WAS FOCUSED MORE ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASES FOR THE VARIOUS FACILITIES, WHICH I THINK ARE STILL THE MAIN FOCUS, BUT WE DECIDED TO SET ASIDE \$100,000 FOR SMALL

GRANTS FOR SOME OF THESE PROGRAMS, AND SO REALLY I DON'T -- AT LEAST IN TERMS OF CITY FACILITIES HERE, IT APPEARS THAT WHAT WE'RE FUNDING AT CITY FACILITIES IS EQUIPMENT AND NOT OPERATING EXPENSES. SO I DON'T KNOW IF MR. GARZA OR SOMEONE FROM THE PARKS DEPARTMENT MAY WANT TO VERIFY THAT, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THE ACTIVITY AT METZ, AT COMANCHO CENTER, WHICH ARE FACILITIES THAT ARE RECEIVING SOME LEVEL OF FUNDING OR PRIMARILY FOR EQUIPMENT, AND THE OTHER FOLKS THAT ARE RECEIVING MONEY ACTUALLY ARE NOT CITY ENTITIES, SO CLEARLY WE'RE NOT USING THOSE FUNDS FOR THE CITY'S O AND M REQUIREMENTS.

THAT'S CORRECT, CITY COUNCILMEMBER. I WANTED TO MENTION TO YOU THAT WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TO LEVERAGE THOSE OPPORTUNITIES OUT THERE SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THOSE WONDERFUL PROGRAMS FOR OUR KIDS. ONE OF THE THINGS I WANT TO MAKE VERY CLEAR IS THOSE PROGRAMS ARE INDEED FREE. THOSE ARE ALL FREE PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE ASKING TO BE GRANTED. SO THESE ARE PROGRAMS THAT WE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TO EXPAND OUR PROGRAMS THAT WE COULDN'T DO WITH THE GENERAL FUND THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE.

Alvarez: I THINK, MR. STRUESS. AND I BELIEVE THAT WAS IT. I THINK A LOT OF THESE. I THINK ONE THING I WOULD MENTION IS THE NEW FOLKS THAT ARE RECEIVING FUNDING DURING THIS ROUND ARE THE EAGLETES DRILL TEAM THAT IS NOT A NEW CONTRACT. THAT'S ACTUALLY THE DANCE TROUPE THAT ACTUALLY PERFORMED AT CITY COUNCIL ABOUT A MONTH AGO. THEY WENT TO FLORIDA AND WON THREE NATIONAL AWARDS FOR THEIR WORK. THAT'S THE FIRST TIME THEY'RE BEING FUNDED. AND I THINK BELIEVE IN ME WAS FUNDED ONCE BEFORE. AND GIRL SCOUTS, I THINK THAT'S THE FIRST TIME THEY'RE BEING FUNDED AS WELL. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS ON ITEM NUMBER 3? COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS?

Thomas: YES. TO HELP US ON THE SURVEY YOU DID, I THINK WHEN WE BROUGHT THIS UP BEFORE WE TALKED ABOUT

SOME OF THE SURVEY HAD ALREADY BEEN DONE. WAS THAT DATA ANY GOOD?

ACTUALLY, WHAT HAD HAPPENED IS THAT WHAT WE WANTED TO DO WAS VERIFY THE INFORMATION THAT WAS IN THAT SURVEY. I DON'T WANT TO SAY THE SURVEY WAS INVALID OR THE INFORMATION WASN'T HELPFUL. WHAT WE NEED TO DO WAS FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT WE COULD AFFORD TO DO AND WHAT THE RESIDENTS AT THAT TIME THOUGHT WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO DO. SO WE DON'T FEEL LIKE THAT WHAT WE DID WAS IN ANY WAY DUPLICATED, THAT ORIGINAL SURVEY THAT WAS DONE. AND THE INFORMATION WAS HELPFUL TO US. IT WAS NOT AS TARGETED AND FOCUSED ON THE SPECIFIC AREA FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE TO BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT THE SERVICES THAT WE KNEW WE WERE GOING TO FUND. AND SO SINCE WE WERE GOING TO BE THE FUNDS ADMINISTERING THE PROGRAM, WE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS MORE APPROPRIATE FOR US TO DIRECTLY INTERVIEW AND INVESTIGATE FOR OURSELVES EXACTLY WHAT SERVICES THE COMMUNITY SAID THAT THEY NEEDED.

Thomas: THANK YOU. ANOTHER --

ONE OTHER POINT THAT I HAVE IS THAT THE 28 -- ABOUT \$28,000 OF THAT \$30,000 THAT WAS USED FOR THE SURVEY HAS BEEN ROLLED BACK INTO TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY. SO WE MADE THAT ABOUT A 278,000-DOLLAR ALLOCATION.

Thomas: YOU'RE GETTING PRETTY GOOD. THAT WAS MY NEXT QUESTION. [LAUGHTER]

THANK YOU, SIR.

Thomas: ALSO -- I'M THROUGH, MR. HILGERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE WERE TWO QUESTIONS THAT GAVINO ASKED, AND I NOT WE HAD ALREADY CLARIFIED THE GEE GRAPH KEL -- GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF HOLLY. I THINK HE NEEDS THAT ANSWERED. AND ON NUMBER 10, THE GIRL SCOUTS, CAN YOU ANSWER HOW DO WE VERIFY, DO WE VERIFY THE KIDS LIVE IN THAT AREA OR DO WE JUST TAKE

THEIR WORD? HOW DO WE DO THAT?

WE'RE TAKING KIDS THAT LIVE IN THAT AREA PRIMARILY. THE ADDRESSES CAN BE VERIFIED OF THE CHILDREN. AND IN FACT, AT THE REQUEST OF THE CITY MANAGER, SOME TIME AGO WE DID PUT IN SPECIFIC DELIVERABLES THAT WE CAN AUDIT BEFORE WE MAKE PAYMENT, SOMETHING THAT WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT BEING ABLE TO DELIVER IN THE FUTURE.

Thomas: GEOGRAPHICAL?

YES, SIR. GEOGRAPHICAL. AS YOU RECALL, THERE WAS A STUDY DONE MANY YEARS AGO ABOUT THE IMPACT OF THE NOISE THAT WAS GENERATED BY THE HOLLY PLANT. SO WE'RE WORKING ON THE IMMEDIATE AREA FIRST TO MOVE AWAY FROM THAT AREA. THAT'S -- THE IMMEDIATELY AFFECTED AREA. (INDISCERNIBLE).

Thomas: I THINK. YOU NEED TO LET MIHM -- I THINK YOU NEED TO LET HIM KNOW THAT. I REMEMBER HIM ASKING ME AND I THOUGHT WE HAD ANSWERED THAT QUESTION, BUT I GUESS NOT.

I WILL GET THAT TO HIM.

Thomas: THANK YOU, SIR.

Futrell: ONE OTHER THING I WOULD LIKE TO BE SURE TO CLARIFY IS THERE WAS A MENTION OF A CALL CENTER MONEY COMING FROM THIS. THERE WAS -- AND CRAIG, REMIND ME, WAS IT \$30,000? I CAN'T REMEMBER THE EXACT AMOUNT THAT WAS SPENT --

\$40,000, I BELIEVE.

Futrell: THAT WAS SPENT ON A NOTIFICATION, EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION CENTER SYSTEM FOR THE AREA. IT'S BASICALLY LIKE A REVERSE 911 SOFTWARE PACKAGE. IT'S A VERY CUTTING EDGE KIND OF SOFTWARE PACKAGE THAT ALLOWS THROUGH A GIF SYSTEM FOR US TO IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY TO DO AN AUTOMATIC DIAL SYSTEM THAT DIALS EVERY HOME IN AN AREA AND GIVES A 15

SECOND EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION TO ANY HOME THAT HAS A TELEPHONE IN THE AREA TO GIVE A MESSAGE HOME FROM THAT AREA. SO THAT WAS USED WITH PART OF THESE DOLLARS AWHILE BACK. IT'S IN PLACE AND IT'S JUST PART OF OUR SYSTEM FOR BEING SURE THAT WE HAVE THE MOST UP TO DATE WAY OF TRYING TO NOTICE RESIDENTS. AND IT'S PART OF OUR MULTICOMMUNICATION STRATEGY IN THE AREA.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM NO. 3.

MOVE APPROVAL.

Slusher: SECOND.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 3 AS POSTED. FURTHER COMMENTS?

Thomas: I HAVE A QUESTION.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS.

Thomas: HOW MANY MORE YEARS ON THIS DO WE HAVE? LEFT?

COUNCILMEMBER, THAT HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED. AS YOU KNOW, THE CLOSURE SCHEDULE CALLS FOR CLOSING HOLLY I UNITS ONE AND TWO AT THE END OF THIS YEAR AND THE ENTIRE PLANT IN 2007. BUT THAT SPECIFIC QUESTION WE HAVE NOT YET DEBATED.

Thomas: THAT WAS THE SECOND QUESTION. WE STILL ON SCHEDULE FOR THE CLOSING OF THOSE?

YES, SIR. WE EXPECT TO CLOSE UNITS 1 AND 2 AT THE END OF DECEMBER OF THIS YEAR.

Thomas: OKAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS. MOTION AND A SECOND

ON THE TABLE TO APPROVE ITEM NUMBER 3. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SIX TO ZERO WITH MECHANIC TEMPORARILY -- METEROLOGIST MICAHMBER MCCRACKEN TEMPORARILY OFF THE DIAS. COUNCIL, WE NOW TAKE UP THE STREETS AND WORK AROUND TOWN. AND I HAVE TO ASK -- I WILL SAY I GET NOT AN INSIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS, SOME OF THEM VARY FROM ONE EXTREME, I GUESS, WOULD BE GEE, MAYOR, OUR STREETS SEEM TO BE IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE, WHY ARE YOU SPENDING TAX DOLLARS TO REDO IT? AND THEN IT SORT OF COMPLICATES WHEN THEY ALSO DON'T HAPPEN TO LIKE THE SURFACE THAT THEY GET AFTERWARDS. AND I JUST KNOW FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE MY STREET WAS REDONE LAST YEAR OR SO, AND LIKE MANY NEIGHBORHOODS IN AUSTIN, WE DON'T HAVE SIDEWALKS, SO YOU TEND TO PUSH YOUR BABY STROLLERS AND WALK YOUR DOGS OR WALK OR JOG IN THE FAR RIGHT SIDE OF THE STREET. AND IN MANY CASES -- I'VE GOTTEN A NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS FROM CITIZENS WHO BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE THIS PRODUCT, YOU GET THE LOOSE GRAVEL, ALL THE LOOSE GRAVEL THAT DOESN'T ADHERE GETS KNOCKED DOWN INTO THE LOWER PART OF THE CROWN OF A ROAD, AND IT'S-- IT DISTURBS A LOT OF PEOPLE. AND AGAIN, MY QUESTION IS ALTHOUGH THIS IS A SMALL CONTRACT AND OBVIOUSLY IT'S NOT THAT MANY LINEAL FEET OF PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE, YOU KNOW, ONE, I GUESS, WHAT IS THIS SPECIFIC PRODUCT AND WHAT HAS BEEN OUR APPROACH OF EVEN INFORMING NEIGHBORS OF WHAT IT IS WE'RE GOING TO DO AND WHAT FINAL PRODUCT THEY MIGHT GET ON THEIR ROAD?

THIS PARTICULAR CONTRACT IS ACTUALLY AN AWARD FOR A PRODUCT CALLED FLURRY SEAL, WHICH IS DIFFERENT FROM THE SEAL COAT PRODUCT THAT WE USE. AND BOTH OF THOSE ARE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES THAT HELP US AVOID THE MORE COSTLY SCENARIO OF TOTALLY RECONSTRUCTING THE ROADS. SO IT'S SORT OF LIKE PAINTING YOUR HOUSE. IF YOU DON'T DO IT, YOU MAY END

UP GETTING INTO STRUCTURAL REPAIRS. BUT THE PARTICULAR PRODUCT OF THE SLURRY SEAL IS IT'S COMPOSED OF ASPHALT, OIL AND CRUSHED ROCK. IT'S NOT SEAL COAT. THE SEAL COAT IS THE ROCK, THE LARGER ROCK THAT WE PLACE ON TOP, AND THAT'S THE ONE THAT ENDS UP WITH THE LOOSE GRAVEL IN THE GUTTER. SO THIS PARTICULAR PRODUCT IS ACTUALLY A FAIRLY SMOOTH SURFACE. IT'S JUST A QUARTER INCH. AND IT'S A MIXTURE THAT'S JUST LAID DOWN ON TOP OF THE ROAD SURFACE AND IT SEALS THE CRACKS AND PREVENTS FUTURE DETERIORATION OF THE ROAD SURFACE. AND I DON'T THINK WE GET A LOT OF COMPLAINTS ON THIS PARTICULAR PROCESS. IT'S MORE THE SEAL COAT PROCESS THAT YOU'RE REFERRING TO. AS FAR AS NOTIFICATION TO THE CITIZENS, ABOUT TWO TO FOUR WEEKS BEFORE WE ACTUALLY GO OUT TO DO THE PROCESS, WE SEND THEM A LETTER. WE EXPLAIN WHAT THE PROCESS IS FOR, WHY WE'RE DOING IT, AND THEN ABOUT TWO DAYS BEFORE WE LET THEM KNOW THAT WE NEED THEM TO MOVE THEIR CARS OFF OF THE ROAD BECAUSE THE WORK NEEDS TO TAKE PLACE AND IT DOES TAKE ABOUT A DAY TO CURE.

Mayor Wynn: AND REMIND ME THE -- I KNOW THAT OBVIOUSLY PART OF THE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE STRATEGY IS TO ADDRESS ALL STREETS AND SOME FREQUENCY FROM YEAR TO YEAR IS THE TARGET WE'VE TRIED TO HIT, BUT IT SEEMS TO BE JUST THE WAY THE WORLD WORKS, SOME STREETS, FOR WHATEVER REASON, LIKELY LAST LONGER THAN OTHERS. SO WHAT HAS BEEN THE PROCESS AND HOW DO WE GO ABOUT IDENTIFYING WHICH STREETS WILL BE DONE WHEN AND -- FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH ONES WOULD GET THE SLURRY SEAL VERSUS WHICH ONES GET THE SEAL COAT?

WE UTILIZE A PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE, AND OUR ENGINEERS GO OUT ANNUALLY AND THEY REVIEW -- THEY USE WHAT'S CALLED A PAVEMENT QUALITY INDEX, WHICH BASICALLY INDEXES ALL THE ROADS ACCORDING TO THE SMOOTHNESS OF THE SURFACE. THEY ALSO LOOK AT THE VISUAL DISTRESS OF THE ROAD AND IDENTIFY THE WIDTH OF THE CRACKING AND AMOUNT OF CRACKING AND THAT SORT OF THING AND THEY GO THROUGH AND PRIORITIZE THE STREETS WITH THE DIFFERENT PREVENTIVE

MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES ACCORDING TO THE PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT DATA.

Mayor Wynn: AND THEN THE DECISION BETWEEN, SAY, WHETHER A STREET GETS A SLURRY SEAL OR THE SEAL COAT?

CORRECT. AND JUST SO YOU UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE. ON THE SEAL COAT, THAT'S USUALLY USED ON STREETS WHERE THE CRACKING IS ALREADY QUITE LARGE. AND THEN WE HAVE TO GO IN FIRST AND GET THE CRACKS SEALED AND THEN APPLY THE SEAL COAT MATERIAL. ON THE SLURRY SEAL, THAT'S REALLY FOR STREETS THAT ARE IN A LITTLE BIT BETTER CONDITION. THEY HAVE SMALLER AMOUNTS OF CRACKING, BUT BY DOING THIS WE CAN PREVENT THE ROAD FROM GETTING WATER PENETRATION AND THEN DETERIORATE IN THE FUTURE. PENETRATION.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANTED TO MAKE SURE I HAD THAT UNDERSTOOD BEFORE I RECEIVED MORE E-MAILS. OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FOR STAFF? IF NOT, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM 14. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY. I'LL SECOND THAT TO APPROVE ITEM 14. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION HAS -- MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF FIVE TO ZERO WITH COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER AND MCCracken TEMPORARILY OFF THE DAIS. COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THAT'S ALL OF OUR POTENTIAL DISCUSSION ITEMS PRIOR TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND/OR SOME TIME CERTAINS, SO AT THIS TIME WE WILL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH OUR ATTORNEY UNDER SECTION 551.072 TO POTENTIALLY DISCUSS ITEM 32 RELATED TO POTENTIAL DISPOSITION OF THE FORMER ROBERT MUELLER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AND ALSO TO 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO POTENTIALLY DISCUSS ITEMS 31 RELATED TO THE MISSION BETHANY DIVISION AND ITEM 29 RELATED TO E.T.J. ISSUES BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND TRAVIS COUNTY. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION, BUT WILL RETURN SHORTLY

FOR OUR 12:00 O'CLOCK TIME CERTAIN. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: WE ARE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION. IN CLOSED SESSION WE RECEIVED PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH OUR ATTORNEY UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. WE DISCUSSED ITEMS 31 RELATED TO THE MISSION BETHANY SUBDIVISION. NO DECISIONS WERE MADE. COUNCIL, AT THIS TIME WE WILL -- 35 MINUTES LATE, WE WILL TAKE UP OUR GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATION, AND I'D LIKE TO CALL ON MR. GAVINO FERNANDEZ TO BE THE FIRST SPEAKER. WELCOME, SIR. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

MAYOR, I'D LIKE TO -- BEFORE YOU START MY TIME, I'D LIKE TO MAKE TWO ANNOUNCEMENTS TO YOU. FRANCIS MARTINEZ WILL NOT BE JOINING US TODAY. HER SISTER-IN-LAW PASSED AWAY AND WE WANT TO CONVEY TO TO YOU. AND MR. HERNANDEZ WILL NOT BE HERE TODAY ALSO. HE IS ILL AND WON'T BE ABLE TO ATTEND THIS. I KNOW THAT YOUR CITIZENS COMMUNICATION RULES ARE VERY STRICT AND YOU ADHERE VERY CLOSELY TO THEM, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST OF THIS COUNCIL IF MR. MARCELIA COULD BE IN HIS SLOT, PAUL HERNANDEZ. HE DID ORIGINALLY SIGN UP, BUT THE SLOTS WERE ALREADY FULL. I KNOW THIS IS AT YOUR DISCRETION AND WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT OF YOU.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCIL, AS WE HEARD, TWO OF OUR SCHEDULED SPEAKERS, MR. HERNANDEZ AND MRS. MARTINEZ, HAVE ACTUALLY ALREADY EARLIER TODAY TOLD US THEY CAN'T ATTEND. THAT LEAVES TWO SPOTS OPEN FOR CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, I WOULD GLADLY REQUEST MR. (INDISCERNIBLE) TO REPLACE MR. HERNANDEZ. MR. FERNANDEZ, WHY DON'T YOU START AND WE'LL GET THROUGH THE SPEAKERS.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME SPEAK TO YOU. AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR STAYING HERE WITH ME TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS TO YOU, AND SURROUNDING ME ARE MEMBERS AND PRESIDENT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS IN EAST AUSTIN AND WE HAVE COLLECTIVELY COME TOGETHER AND VISITED THE ISSUE OF THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, ANALYZED THE INFORMATION, HAD A PUBLIC

HEARING IN EAST AUSTIN AND WENT OUT INTO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND CONVEYED WHAT WE HAD HEARD AT THE FORUM, AND MORE OR LESS GOT A PLUS FROM THE COMMUNITY -- PULSE FROM THE COMMUNITY ON HOW THEY FELT ON THIS ISSUE. AND WITH THAT WE ARE WANTING -- WE ARE GOING TO BE CONVEYING TO THIS COUNCIL AND TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY THAT WE WILL BE TAKING A POSITION AGAINST THE CREATION OF A HOSPITAL DISTRICT. THE INCREASE -- WE CANNOT AFFORD AN ADDITIONAL INCREASE IN OUR PROPERTY TAXES. MANY OF OUR HOMEOWNERS ARE LOSING THEIR HOMES. WE HAVE SENIOR CITIZENS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHOSE TAX EXEMPTIONS HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED, WHERE THEY ARE NOW HAVING TO PAY TAXES. AS YOU RECALL, I BROUGHT MS. GALVAN OVER HERE TO SPEAK TO YOU ALL BECAUSE HER TAXES WENT UP TO \$800 AFTER ALL OF HER EXEMPTIONS. WE STRONGLY FEEL THAT THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT IS A VERY HOT ISSUE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND IS ONE THAT HAS BEEN DEBATED FOR MANY YEARS AS WELL AS THE TIMES THAT COMMISSIONER DELEON WAS IN OFFICE AND I SERVED AS HIS ASSISTANT. WE STRONGLY BELIEVE, COUNCIL, THAT WE WOULD RATHER SEE \$2 MILLION BE INVESTED BY BOTH ENTITIES IN ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF HEALTH CARE AS OPPOSED TO CREATING ANOTHER BUREAUCRACY AND ANOTHER GOVERNMENT AND ANOTHER TAXING ENTITY THAT WILL AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME DUE TO ECONOMIC SITUATIONS, WILL BASICALLY PLACE A LOT OF OUR PEOPLE -- AND IT WOULD BE THE LAST NAIL TO THE COFFIN AND SEND MANY PEOPLE EAST TO BASTROP OR SOUTHEAST TO CALDWELL COUNTY. SO AGAIN, I'D LIKE TO REMIND PEOPLE, TRAVIS COUNTY AND AUSTIN RESIDENTS, ONE, TO VOTE EARLY. MAY 11th IS THE LAST DAY. AND MAY 15TH IS THE ELECTION DAY. AND IF ANYTHING THAT WE AND THE SUPPORTERS OF THIS PROPOSITION AGREE IS THAT PEOPLE, PLEASE, TAKE YOUR TIME AND GO TO THE BALLOT AND VOTE. MANY OF US HAVE ALREADY VOTED EARLY. IT TOOK NO MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES. IF YOU JUST PICK UP THE LATEST APPRAISAL TAX DISTRICT PROJECTIONS FOR 2005 -- AND MANY OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY HAVING REALIZED A 100 TO 200-DOLLAR INCREASE WHICH HAS OCCURRED FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS IN THOSE INCREMENTS, SO IF THAT TAX PAPER IS NOT AN INCENTIVE

ENOUGH TO GO TO THAT BALLOT BOX AND SEND THIS COUNCIL A MESSAGE THAT WE WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT -- [BUZZER SOUNDS] -- TAX INCREASES AS THE ONLY SOLUTION TO THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR.

Slusher: MAYOR, I'VE GOT A QUESTION. AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Slusher: MR. FERNANDEZ, I WONDER IF YOU WERE AWARE AND HOW YOU WOULD ADDRESS THIS THAT RIGHT NOW THE CITY PUTS IN -- PAYS FOR THE CITY CLINICS, AND AT LEAST BRACKENRIDGE AND SETON, SO THAT'S ALL PAID FOR BY CITY RESIDENTS THROUGH THEIR TAXES ON CITY RESIDENTS. AND THEN THE COUNTY PAYS FOR THE HEALTH CLINICS IN THE COUNTY. AND THAT'S PAID FOR BY BOTH PEOPLE OUTSIDE -- THE ONES IN THE COUNTY ONLY SERVE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY, YET THEY'RE PAID FOR 75 TO 80% OF THEM ARE PAID FOR BY CITY RESIDENTS, AND THEN PEOPLE LIVE OUTSIDE THE CITY, PAY COUNTY TAXES, BUT NOT CITY TAXES. SO UNDER THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, THIS SHOULD BE LUMPED TOGETHER. AND NOW FOR HEALTH CARE THE CITY RESIDENTS WOULD ONLY GET ONE TAX BILL, AND THE COUNTY RESIDENTS WOULD ACTUALLY BE PAYING MORE OF THEIR FAIR SHARE AND PAYING FOR SOME HEALTH CARE THAT WOULD TAKE PLACE INSIDE THE CITY. SO IN THAT WAY IT ACTUALLY A BOOST TO CITY TAXPAYERS. SO I'M WONDERING HOW YOU RECONCILE THAT FACT WITH YOUR POSITION.

THE PREMISE OF OUR OPPOSITION IS WHAT YOU JUST ELOQUENTLY MENTIONED IS IT WOULD BE ONE ADDITIONAL TAX INCREASE TO OUR --

Slusher: I DIDN'T SAY IT WOULD BE ONE ADDITIONAL. I'M SAYING IT MIGHT BE MORE TO PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY. THE PEOPLE IN THE CITY WILL NOW -- THEY WILL JUST PAY FOR HEALTH CARE ONE TIME, WHERE NOW PEOPLE INSIDE THE CITY ARE PAYING TWICE. AND THAT'S WHERE A LARGE AMOUNT OF LOW INCOME PEOPLE LIVE, SO IT WOULD BE A HELP TO ALL CITY RESIDENTS, AND IN PARTICULAR THE LOW INCOME FOLKS BECAUSE THE CITY -- AS WELL AS PROVIDING MEDICAL CARE.

COUNCILMEMBER, I WILL BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH YOU --

Slusher: YOU CAME DOWN TO TALK ON THE TV. I WOULD RATHER TALK HERE.

I AM BASICALLY CONVEYING THAT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AS A COALITION HAVE COME TO US AND I WOULD BE MORE THAN GLAD TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH YOU ON A ONE TO ONE BASIS.

Slusher: WE CAN DO ONE ON ONE HERE. DID Y'ALL CONSIDER THAT -- DID YOU CONSIDER THE TAX EQUITY MATTER WHEN YOU MADE YOUR DECISION?

I UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH COUNCILMEMBERS WHILE WE'RE IN THIS --

Slusher: THIS IS POSTED ON THE AGENDA. NO, YOU CAN'T HAVE A DISCUSSION IF THE ITEM IS NOT POSTED, BUT IF THE ITEM IS POSTED, AND YOU CAN READ IT ON THE AGENDA, SO WE CAN HAVE THIS DISCUSSION.

I STRONGLY RESPECT YOUR POSITION, COUNCILMEMBER, HOWEVER OUR COMMUNITY HAS ALREADY MADE A DECISION AND WE HAVE ALREADY VOTED AGAINST THE DISTRICT.

Slusher: YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TELL ME WHETHER YOU CONSIDERED TAX EQUITY FOR A CITY AND LOW INCOME RESIDENTS AS PART OF THAT DISCUSSION?

I'LL JUST RESPOND LIKE THE REPORTER MENTIONED TO ME WHEN WE WENT BEFORE THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, YOU DROPPED A BOMB SHELL. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S SUPPOSED TO HELP YOUR PEOPLE. I SAID MY PEOPLE. I DON'T HAVE DOCTORS OR LAWYERS THAT ARE RELATIVES OF MINE. THANK YOU.

Slusher: I DON'T THINK I SAID THAT.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: I'D LIKE TO MAKE ONE POINT IN CLARIFYING WHAT THE RULES ARE FOR THE DISTRICT. JUST TO GIVE YOU INFORMATION. RIGHT NOW THE CITY PAYS ABOUT FIVE CENTS OF ITS TAX RATE FOR HEALTH CARE. THE COUNTY PAYS ABOUT A PENNY. THE CITY RESIDENTS ARE PAYING THROUGH BOTH THEIR COUNTY AND THEIR CITY TAXES, AS COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER POINTED OUT, ALL BUT A QUARTER OF ONE CENT OF THAT. NOW THE REAL ISSUE THAT I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYBODY MENTION IS THAT IF THIS WERE TO PASS, YOUR CITY TAX RATE WILL DROP FIVE CENTS AND YOUR COUNTY'S TAX RATE WILL DROP ONE PENNY. UNDER STATE LAW NEITHER THE CITY NOR THE COUNTY WILL BE ABLE IN THE FUTURE TO RAISE MONEY FOR INDIGENT CARE. SO THAT'S JUST ONE POINT THAT I WANTED TO CLARIFY SO THAT PEOPLE WOULDN'T THINK THAT THIS WAS AN ADDITIONAL TAX. IT ISN'T. IT'S DROPPING THE CURRENT TAX RATE AND THEN ALLOCATING IT COUNTY-WIDE, WHICH IN ESSENCE GIVES OUR CITY TAXPAYERS A BREAK. IT'S MORE EQUITABLE. WE'RE PAYING EXACTLY THE SAME RATES THAT THE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY PAYERS WILL PAY RATHER THAN ONLY -- RATHER THAN PROBABLY 20 TIMES AS MUCH. SO THAT'S THE ISSUE. IT IS NOT AN ADDITIONAL TAX. WE DROP OURS AND THE DISTRICT RAISES ITS.

MAY I REMIND THE COUNCIL THAT AS PART OF EL CONCILIO AND WE VOTED FOR THIS, THE ISSUE THAT WE HAVE IS THAT THE CITY AND THE COUNTY -- WHEN I WAS AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY, THEY INCREASED THE FUNDING FOR HEALTH CARE. THAT HASN'T HAPPENED. IF IT HAS -- (INDISCERNIBLE). THE MONEY THAT ALL TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN PAYS AND TRAVIS COUNTY CITIZENS PAY, VERY LITTLE OF THAT IS USED FOR HEALTH CARE IN THE OVERALL PICTURE. IF YOU TAKE THE PIE AND WHAT THE CITY SPENDS ON. AND NO MORE THAN TAKING \$10 MILLION FOR 10 YEARS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD MITIGATION FUND, INSTEAD OF SPENDING IT ON HEALTH CARE, THAT'S \$10 MILLION ADDITIONAL EVERY YEAR THAT COULD BE SPENT ON HEALTH CARE. IT'S NOT BEING SPENT. WE DON'T SEE THAT HAPPENING IN THE TAXING DISTRICT. WE ALSO SEE THAT THEY HAVE TO GO TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO CONTINUE TO RAISE THE TAXES IF THEY HAVE TO. AND IT'S

GOING TO HAPPEN. WHAT'S NOT HAPPENING IS A FACT THAT THE CITY NOR THE COUNTY IS SPENDING THAT MUCH MONEY ON HEALTH CARE. AND THAT'S JUST A VERY PROVEN FACT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. DELEON.

Goodman: MAYOR? I'M NOT GOING TO ARGUE WITH YOU. I'M GOING TO SAY THE CITY IS AVAILABLE TO COME OUT TO ANY GROUP, AND ESPECIALLY SINCE THE ELECTION IS ON, WHAT, THE 15TH, WITH INFORMATION, NOT TO CAMPAIGN, BUT TO GIVE OBJECTIVE INFORMATION. I THINK THERE MAY BE SOME CONFUSION OUT THERE. IF CITY TAXPAYERS WANT TO CONTINUE TO PAY MORE FOR HEALTH CARE, MR. DELEON, I'M NOT TALKING TO YOU, I'M TALKING TO THE PUBLIC. SO IF YOU REALLY WANT TO FIND OUT WHAT THE IMPACT, BENEFICIAL OR OTHERWISE IS TO CITY TAXPAYERS, FEEL FREE TO CALL THE CITY, ANY COUNCILMEMBERS' OFFICE OR THE CITY MANAGER OR DAVID LURIE OR ANYBODY AND WE WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO BRING OUT ALL THE CHARTS AND INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE AND THE LANGUAGE THAT WENT INTO THE LEGISLATION SO PEOPLE CAN KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IT IS ON THE BALLOT AND MAKE THEIR DECISION.

MAYOR, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO GO. THAT'S WHY I WAS GOING TO -- I HAVE TO GET BACK TO WORK. I'M GOING TO EXCUSE MYSELF AS OF NOW BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO TALK ABOUT. SO I HAVE TO GET BACK TO WORK.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. THANK YOU, SIR. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS MR. JOSE QUINTERO. WELCOME.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. GOOD AFTERNOON, CITY COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS JOE QUINTERO WITH THE GREATER EAST AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. THIS IS IN RELATION TO THE LEGACY OF CESAR CHAVEZ REGARDING THE CESAR CHAVEZ NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, WHICH WE'VE ADDRESSED TO THE UNITED FARM WORKERS OF AMERICA NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS REQUESTING THAT THEY SEND A LETTER TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN TO REMOVE THE NAME CESAR CHAVEZ FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S SMART GROWTH PLAN. THE DAILY

REPORT THEED THERE IS NO FEUD BETWEEN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE DO NOT ACCEPT A WHITE WOMAN AS OUR LEADER. THE CITY HAS EMPOWERED THE WHITE WOMAN BECAUSE SHE IS MARRIED TO A MEXICAN MAN. THE CITY ENCOURAGED HER TO SUBMIT A SEPARATE MA NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN TO -- THE INTENT WAS TO SET UP A LEADERSHIP GROUP THAT WOULD CARRY OUT THE CITY'S GENTRIFICATION PLAN FOR CENTRAL EAST AUSTIN. WE WILL CONTINUE TO OPPOSE THE GENTRIFICATION OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND CONSIDER THAT AN ONGOING STRUGGLE IN THE LIBERATION OF OUR PEOPLE. BUT WE CANNOT CONDONE OR ACCEPT THE DID HE FA MEATION OF OUR GREATEST LEADER BECAUSE CESAR CHAVEZ IS TO US WHAT MARTIN LUTHER KING IS TO OUR BLACK BROTHERS. THIS WOMAN AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN ENCOURAGED THE USE OF THAT NAME TO GIVE CREDIBILITY TO A SHAM. THE CESAR CHAVEZ NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN WAS PASSED WITH LESS THAN 30 VOTES. LORI AND HER GROUP, MOSTLY NEW WHITE RESIDENTS TO THE AREA, AND HER STEP SONS, HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF SUPPORTING BIG POLLUTERS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THE CESAR CHAVEZ GROUP SUPPORTED THE EXPANSION OF AN OIL COMPANY THAT HOLDS THOUSANDS OF GALLONS OF OIL AND OTHER TOXIC MATERIALS ON EAST SIXTH STREET. THE EXPANSION WAS APPROVED BECAUSE OF DISTANCE FROM CONGRESS TO EAST ALONG EAST SIXTH STREET IS LESS IMPORTANT THAN THE DISTANCE FROM CONGRESS ALONG SIXTH STREET TO LAMAR ON THE WEST. LORI SUPPORTED THE EXPANSION IN EXCHANGE FOR MONEY FOR HALLOWEEN PARTIES AND A JOB FOR HER STEPSON. AND BECAUSE SHE WILL ALWAYS NATURALLY SUPPORT OTHER WHITES BECAUSE SHE HERSELF IS A WHITE PERSON. SHE CARES NOTHING ABOUT OUR PEOPLE. LORI OPPOSED THE MEXICAN BUS LINE ON SAYS CESAR CHAVEZ BECAUSE PEOPLE USE LARGE PLASTIC GREEN TRASH BAGS AS THEIR LUGGAGE. SHE AND HER GROUP WANT COFFEE HOUSES, ENTERTAINMENT VENUES, LIKE THE BIG RED FUND, INSTEAD OF MIX CON OWNED BUSINESSES WHO ARE PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY. A BLATANT ATTEMPT TO SUBSTITUTE WHITE REZ DON'TS FOR BROWN MEZ RENTS IS -- RESIDENTS IS OBVIOUS. WHY DON'T THEY GO BACK TO FIGHTING BARTON

CREEK AND JIM BOB MOFFETT. THIS TIME INSTEAD OF USING WATER ENVIRONMENT AS AN EXCUSE AND COVERING UP DEVELOPMENT TO THE EAST AND THEN IMPLEMENTING A GRABBING LAND PLAN USING PEOPLE LIKE HER. TO BE HONEST AND ADMIT THAT THE ISSUE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IS USED TO LAND GRAB, FIND A WAY TO MOVE TO THE WEST WHERE YOU DON'T HAVE TO MOVE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE OFF THEIR LAND TO TAKE OVER. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: JUST TO MAKE A COMMENT ABOUT THE PLAN GENERALLY. THAT'S A PLAN THAT I WORKED ON WHEN I WAS OFF THE COUNCIL AND ACTUALLY HELPED DRAFT AND WAS ON THE COUNCIL WHEN WE ACTUALLY FINALLY APPROVED THAT PLAN. BUT REALLY IF YOU LOOK AT THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN RIGHT ADJACENT TO THE CESAR CHAVEZ PLAN, THEY ACTUALLY -- WE ACTUALLY INCLUDED WHEN THE COUNCIL VOTED, MOST ALL OF THE PROVISIONS THAT WERE INCLUDED IN THE CESAR CHAVEZ PLAN IN THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, WHICH I BELIEVE EL CONCILIO WAS VERY MUCH SO INVOLVED IN. NOW, ACTUALLY, THE ONLY DIFFERENCE OR THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCE IS THAT THE HOLLY PLAN ACTUALLY ALLOWED INDUSTRIAL ZONING TO STAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD THERE IN THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND IN THE CESAR CHAVEZ PLAN WE ACTUALLY DOWNSIZED EVERY INDUSTRIAL TRACT INCLUDING ARNOLD OIL. I DON'T NECESSARILY SEE THAT THERE'S ANY SUPPORT FOR POLLUTING INDUSTRIES IN EAST AUSTIN IN THE EAST CESAR CHAVEZ PLAN, IT ACTUALLY SEEMS MORE APPARENT THAT THAT WOULD BE THE CASE IN THE HOLLY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, BUT I THINK THE COUNCIL DELIBERATED ON THAT AND DECIDED THAT CERTAIN USES THERE MAY BE APPROPRIATE, BUT REALLY I THINK THE ONLY DISTINCTION HERE BETWEEN THE TWO PLANS IS THE WAY WE TREATED INDUSTRIAL ZONING, AND ACTUALLY THE HOLLY PLAN WAS MORE PERMISSIVE IN TERMS OF HOW MUCH INDUSTRIAL ZONING WAS PERMITTED IN THE CESAR CHAVEZ PLAN, SO JUST A COUPLE OF POINTS, MR. QUINTERO MENTIONED THAT I WANTED TO ADDRESS.

Slusher: MAYOR, I JUST WANT TO SAY AS FAR AS REGARDS

MS. RENTERIA, ALL NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN LEADERS ARE SELECTED BY THE PARTICIPANTS IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN TO LEAD THE GROUP THROUGH A DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. THEY'RE CHOSEN BY DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. AND IT REALLY TROUBLES ME TO HEAR ANYONE ATTACKED HERE IN THESE CHAMBERS OR ANYWHERE ELSE BECAUSE OF THEIR RACE, NO MATTER WHAT RACE THEY ARE, AND I'LL BET YOU YOU COULD LOOK AT -- IT'S BROUGHT UP IN THE CONTEXT OF CESAR CHAVEZ. I'LL BET YOU COULD GO THROUGH EVERY WORD CESAR CHAVEZ SAID IN HIS ENTIRE LIFE, AND NOT FIND ANYTHING WHERE HE CONDEMNED SOMEONE BECAUSE OF THEIR RACE, BUT INSTEAD TRIED TO BRING JUSTICE TO ALL PEOPLE. SO I THINK WHAT WE'VE HEARD TODAY IS CONTRARY TO WHAT CESAR CHAVEZ LIVED HIS LIFE ABOUT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. OUR NEXT SPEAKER, RAMON MALDONADO. WELCOME, IRRELEVANT. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

SPEAKING ABOUT THE PLAN, I HELPED WORK ON THAT PLAN WHEN 100 RESIDENTS HAD A VALID PETITION AND CAME TO THE COUNCIL WITH THAT VALID PETITION. AND THEN THEY SAID IT WASN'T A VALID PETITION AND I HEARD SOME COUNCIL PEOPLE SAY SOMETIMES WHEN YOU USE A VALID PETITION TO DO SOMETHING, BUT THEN THEY WERE DOING THE PROCESS, GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS, BUT YET THOSE PEOPLE WEREN'T SERVED. THEY WERE -- AFTER THEY COMPLAINED AND WENT THROUGH THE PROCESS, THEY WERE JUST -- DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE 100 PEOPLE. WE'LL DO WHAT THE CITY WANTS TO GO FORWARD ON THIS PLAN. DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEM. BUT YET I HEAR SOME COUNCIL PEOPLE REALLY ATTACKING SOME OF OUR NEIGHBORS FOR WHAT WE BELIEVE IN. AND IT'S NOT -- YOU THINK IT'S JUST PEOPLE THAT GET AGGRAVATED AT THINGS THAT HAPPEN AND ALSO I THINK IT'S A PERSONAL ATTACK WITH WHAT YOU'RE DOING ON THE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE TRYING TO DO THE DEMOCRATIC THING. AND YET YOU DENY 100 PEOPLE. AND I SAY THESE WERE 100 PEOPLE THAT WERE AGAINST THIS PLAN. REMEMBER THIS COUNCIL PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE ON TV THAT THEY DENIED YOU PROCESS, THEY DENIED IT TO Y'ALL. SO WHEN YOU GO VOTE, DON'T VOTE FOR THEM, YOU KNOW? (SPEAKING

SPANISH) THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. MALDONADO. GLORIA MORENO. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

GOOD AFTERNOON, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR WYNN. MY NAME IS GLORIA MORENO AND I REPRESENT THE PEDERNALES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE EL CONCILIO. I APPEARED BEFORE THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION APRIL THE 13TH. THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON APRIL THE 27TH. WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK AGAIN ON MAY THE 11th TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF DOWN SEWING 515 PEDERNALES IN EAST AUSTIN. IT'S PART OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, FROM CS-1 TO CS. AT THIS TIME WE HAVE NO CS-1 ZONED PROPERTIES IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD OR CLOSELY RELATED TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND I WANTED TO MAKE YOU AWARE TODAY THAT SHOULD IT PASS THE PLANNING COMMISSION, WHICH WE'RE PRAYING IT WILL, IT WILL COME TO YOU. PLEASE LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE. PLEASE HELP US TO CHANGE THIS ZONING SO THAT THIS PIECE OF PROPERTY CAN NO LONGER BE A BUSINESS OF A BAR. WE'VE HAD THREE BARS OVER THE PAST 30-PLUS YEARS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE CLOSED THE BIGGEST ONE ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO. THERE'S ONE LITTLE BITTY ONE WITH ALZHEIMER'S. THEY'RE REAL QUIET. AND THE DAY THAT THEY TRY TO EXPAND WE'RE NOT GOING TO LET THEM. IF THEY SHUT DOWN, WE WILL BE BACK HERE AT COUNCIL TO TRY TO GET THAT DOWNTOWN. THE SECOND ITEM ON THE AGENDA THAT YOU WANTED TO TALK ABOUT WAS THE DRAINAGE. WE DON'T HAVE ANY DRAINS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND YET WE NOTICED THAT WHEN WE'RE PAYING OUR BILLS WE ALL NOTICED WE'RE PAYING THE \$6.30. SO THEY WANTED ME TO CALL, MAKE PHONE CALLS AND FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON. SO I DID CALL AND I WAS TOLD THAT EVERYBODY PAYS. THE BUSINESSES PAY, THE RESIDENTS PAY. THAT WASN'T A GOOD ENOUGH ANSWER. WE WANT TO KNOW WHY WE DON'T HAVE DRAINS. SO I PURSUED IT AND PURSUED IT AND THEN I ENDED UP WITH THE WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM AT THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AND MR. JOSE GUERRERO CAME TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THIS PAST SUNDAY AT 6:00 O'CLOCK AND

MET WITH A FEW OF US THAT WERE ABLE TO COME OUT ON SUNDAY EVENING, AND HE GAVE US A LOT OF INFORMATION AND BROUGHT A LOT OF THE ADVISE ALAIDS AND BIG MAPS LIKE THIS TO SHOW US. BECAUSE OF FUNDING AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT ELSE, BACK THEN IN THE 50'S AND SCIKT IS, THEY PAVED OUR STREETS, BUT DIDN'T PUT ANY DRAINAGE IN THERE. SO ALL THIS TEAM WE'VE HAD TO MESS WITH PUDDLES WHEN IT RAINS. WHAND WE GET REAL BAD RAINS LIKE A COUPLE OF YEARS BACK IT WAS REALLY HORRIBLE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. AND JUST WITH A HALF A DAY RAIN, THE -- OUR THREE STREETS SLANT DOWNWARD AND END UP ON QUIEZ AND END UP LIKE THAT. THE KIDS IN THE SUMMER LOVE TO GO AND SPLASH. AT 60 YEARS OLD I'M TOO OLD TO GET IN AND SPLASH IN THE WATER. BUT IT ALSO CREATES A MOSQUITO PROBLEM WHICH YOU SEND OUT INFORMATION FOR A HEALTH HAZARD FOR US TO BE CAREFUL WITH THE NILE VIRUS AND ALL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Thomas: GO AHEAD.

Mayor Wynn: I THINK THE CITY MANAGER HAS A LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION ON THIS.

Futrell: WHAT SHE'S DESCRIBING IS ABSOLUTELY CORRECT. AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE MAJOR ISSUES IN THE URBAN CORE IN AUSTIN, NOT JUST IN THIS AREA, BUT CITYWIDE. THE DRAINAGE MASTER PLAN THAT THE CITY HAS BEEN ACTIVELY WORKING ON CITYWIDE HAVE IDENTIFIED OVER 400 AREAS IN THE CITY THAT HAVE MAJOR DRAINAGE PROBLEMS. ONE OF THE WORST OF WHICH A PRIORITY AREA IS AT THE FOURTH STREET AT PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD, WHICH IS JUST ADJACENT TO THE PEDERNALES NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE MAP THAT WAS JUST SHOWN SHOWS THIS AREA. THE DRAINAGE FEE IS BEING COLLECTED AND IT'S BEING RAISE ODD A FIVE-YEAR PLAN TO BEGUN TO FUND THESE PRIORITY PROJECTS CITYWIDE. THE CURRENT PROPOSAL IS THAT THE PROJECT THAT WILL ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, THE CAPACITY OF THE STORM SEWER SYSTEM IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, WILL BEGIN IN THE '06 BUDGET. IT IS ANTICIPATED -- IT'S A MASSIVE PROJECT. IT'S ANTICIPATED IT WILL TAKE FOUR FULL YEARS TO DO ALL FULL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION, BUT IT WILL BEGIN IN '06. AND THERE WILL BE A LOT OF

DISCUSSION IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, BOTH ON DESIGN AND TIMING AND CONSTRUCTION. JOSE, THE GENTLEMAN THAT CAME OUT TO SEE YOU --

AND I SEE HIM. HE'S PRESENT HERE TODAY.

Futrell: AND IS A CRACKER JACK GUY AND IS GOING TO KEEP THE NEIGHBORHOOD FULLY INFORMED.

HE WORKED WELL UNDER PRESSURE.

Futrell: SO YOU KNOW THAT PERFORMANCE EVAL EVALUATIONS ARE COMING UP.

YES. I'LL BE HAPPY TO CONTRIBUTE TO IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE DO WANT TO BE PART OF THE PROCESS. AND THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. MAYOR PRO TEM?

Goodman: RELATIVE TO THIS, I KNOW THAT 2006 IS VERY SOON IN THE SCHEME OF THING OF MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS, BUT I WAS HOPING THAT JOE AND JOSE AND SOME OF THE VERY GOOD ENGINEERS WE HAVE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD COULD CHECK OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ANY INTERIM MECHANISMS OR EVEN SEMI IMPORTANT MODIFICATIONS TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO ALLEVIATE. I KNOW THAT SOME PLACES WHERE THERE'S ENOUGH WATER, FOR INSTANCE, IT WOULD JUSTIFY BRINGING A PUMP OUT SO THAT YOU COULD TAKE CARE OF ANY STANDING WATER AS SOON AS THE WEATHER CHANGES ENOUGH TO DO IT. OR THAT THERE IS SOMETIMES WAYS TO REROUTE TEMPORARILY SOME DRAINAGE. AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THIS IS ONE OF THOSE PLACES WHERE YOU COULD CONCEIVABLY, I DON'T KNOW, ADD IN A SWALE SORT OF EFFECT AND/OR, YOU KNOW, A REROUTING OF SOME OF THE CHANNEL WATER.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, JOE PAN TALLIAN. IF YOU REFER TO THE MAP THAT IS ATTACHED TO THE MEMO, YOU WILL SEE A MAJOR SYSTEM PROPOSED TO BE KIND OF THE FINAL ANSWER FOR THIS AREA. AND AS THE CITY MANAGER REFERENCED, WE WILL BEGIN A STUDY IN FY

'06 TO ESTABLISH WHAT A PRELIMINARY DESIGN MIGHT LOOK LIKE IN THE TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST. ON A SHORT-TERM BASIS, WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT A LINE COMING FROM KAYA STREET TO THE EAST, WHICH IS A SHORTER LINE, WHICH MAY INDEED BE A SHORT-TERM SOLUTION. IT MAY NOT BE THE TOTAL IF I CAN. THIS AREA, LIKE MANY AREAS IN THE CITY, WAS BUILT WITHOUT STORM DRAINS. SO IN ESSENCE WHERE YOU HAVE A LOW SPOT, THE WATER DOES SIT. OF COURSE, THAT DOES CREATE NUISANCE FLOODING. WE PRIORITIZE BASED ON HOUSE FLOODING AS BEING THE MOST SEVERE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS FIRST. AND THAT'S WHY WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE RED DOTS WE SHOW HOUSE FLOODING, EAST FOURTH STREET RAISED TO THE TOP OF -- NEAR THE TOP OF OUR LIST AND WHY THE STUDY IS BEING PROPOSED FOR '04. BUT OUR STAFF WILL BE IN HOUSE LOOKING AT SOME SHORT-TERM SOLUTIONS AND HOPEFULLY IDENTIFYING A SHORT-TERM SOLUTION THAT CAN BE DONE BY OUR CREWS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS?

Thomas: YES, MAYOR. CAN YOU GIVE ME A LIST -- JUST LIKE YOU HAVE THIS MAP -- WITH THE REST OF THE CITY?

SURE. I'D BE HAPPY TO DO THAT.

Thomas: ALL RIGHT.

Mayor Wynn: OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS MR. PAT JOHNSON. WELCOME, SIR. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES AND YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY MARCELLO (INDISCERNIBLE).

GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL. ANOTHER WEEK. YES, THIS IS STILL THE SAME ISSUE THAT I'VE BEEN TALKING TO YOU ABOUT NOW SINCE THE FIRST OF THE YEAR. THE PUBLIC ADVISE VITS MUNICIPAL COURT TO PAY CITATIONS ISSUED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, YET RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM MUNICIPAL COURT SITS THE MOBILE STATION. TOW TRUCK DRIVERS ARE PERCHED UNDER THAT OVERPASS OVER THERE. AND THE MOMENT SOMEBODY PARKS OVER THERE, THEY RUN OVER THERE AND GET

THEIR CAR AND TAKE IT OFF THE STREET. NOW, THE PUBLIC, JOHN Q. CITIZEN, HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE ON THOSE SIGNS. THE SIGNS USED BY A LOT OF THE TOWING COMPANIES AROUND TOWN, THEY GIVE THEM TO THE PROPERTIES FOR FREE, WHICH IS AGAINST THE LAW IN THE FIRST PLACE, IS SO CONFUSING YOU CAN'T EVEN UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY MEAN. CERTAIN TOWING COMPANIES, THEY KNOW THIS. AND I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND. YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN TOWED TIME AND TIME AGAIN -- TOLD TIME AND TIME AGAIN THERE'S A LACK OF RESOURCES WHY WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THIS. THIS IS RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE POLICE STATION THAT THIS ACTIVITY GOES ON. THESE ARE CRIMINAL OFFENSES BEING COMMIT ODD A DAILY BASIS ALL OVER THE CITY OF AUSTIN. I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHY THE POLICE CANNOT ISSUE THEM TOW TRUCK DRIVERS CITATIONS BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONES COMMITTING THE OFFENSES. YOU HAVE TO HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE TO TAKE SOMEBODY'S VEHICLE WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT. IF THE CITY DOESN'T COMPLY WITH STATE LAW, THEY DON'T HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE. WHY ARE THEY BEING ALLOWED TO DEPRIVE THE PUBLIC OF THEIR VEHICLES AND CREATE AN ECONOMIC HARDSHIP? AND WHAT'S EVEN WORSE IS THE HISPANICS ARE BEING TARGETED LEFT AND RIGHT. WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST WE DO, MR. ALVAREZ, SINCE A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE, HISPANICS, LIVE IN YOUR DISTRICT, IS HAVE A 24-HOUR LINE IN SPANISH SO THE HISPANIC PEOPLE CAN CALL AND COMPLAIN. BECAUSE THEY CANNOT SPEAK ENGLISH, THEY DON'T KNOW WHO TO CALL, THEY'RE AFRAID TO CALL THE POLICE BECAUSE OF IMMIGRATION STATUS. THEY'VE GOT MONEY AND THE TOWING COMPANIES KNOW THIS SO THEY TARGET THAT STRAIGHT BUNCH. SOMETHING NEEDS TO HAPPEN. YOU KNOW, IS IT GOING TO TAKE AN EMBARRASSING STORY ON 60 MINUTES OR DATE LINE TO EMBARRASS THE CITY OF AUSTIN BECAUSE THE CITY WON'T DO ANYTHING TO PROTECT ITS CITIZENS? I WOULD JUST LIKE TO KNOW WHEN IS SOMETHING GOING TO BE DONE?

Slusher: MAYOR, I HAVE A QUESTION FOR MR. JOHNSON. MR. JOHNSON, I'M LOOKING AT THE HANDOUT YOU GAVE HERE. AND IT TALKS ABOUT THE TWO GAS STATIONS AND THE WENDY'S ACROSS FROM THERE. AND YOU'RE TALKING

ABOUT THAT TOWING COMPANIES KNOW HOW TO -- WHAT'S REQUIRED ON A SIGN, BUT THE PUBLIC DOESN'T. ELABORATE ON THAT. WHAT DO THESE SIGNS SAY?

THE SIGNS AT THE MOBILE STATION SAY TENANT AND SCPURM PARKING ONLY -- CUSTOMER PARKING ONLY. DOWN AT THE BOTTOM IT SAYS UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE. IT LEAVES OUT THE MAIN CONTEXT OF THE ACTION THAT'S GOING TO BE COMMITTED WHEN THEY VIOLATE PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. IT'S GOT TO SAY WILL BE TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE. THAT GIVES A MISS MISCONCEPTION WHEN THE SIGN DOESN'T SAY WHAT IT'S SUPPOSED TO SAY.

Slusher: AND I -- I HAVE SOME MISGIVINGS ABOUT SOME OF THE OPERATION OF THE WRECKER COMPANIES SOMETIMES, BUT, I MEAN, IT DOES SAY THEY'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO PARK THERE, RIGHT, OR THEY'LL GET TOWED. IT DOES SAY THAT MESSAGE FROM WHAT I JUST HEARD YOU SAY.

IF IT -- IF THE TOWING SIGN ITSELF DOES NOT HAVE ALL THE REQUIRED LANGUAGE SET OUT IN THE STATE STATUTE, IT DOES NOT COME IN COMPLIANCE AND THEY DO NOT HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE TO TOW THE VEHICLE. THE JP'S, THEY WILL NOT RULE ON THAT ISSUE UNLESS SOMEBODY BRINGS THAT SPECIFIC ISSUE UP. AND NOW SINCE THE DEREGULATION'S COME IN EFFECT, TOWING COMPANIES COME UP IN COURT AND MAKE THAT MOTION DISMISSED BASED ON JURISDICTION AND THE JP'S WON'T EVEN HEAR THE CASES.

Slusher: THANK YOU, SIR. I APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS.

THERE ARE SIGNS POSTED AT THAT MOBILE STATION THAT ARE IN SPANISH. I CAN'T READ SPANISH.

Slusher: RIGHT. BUT THEY WOULD SAY THAT'S BECAUSE PEOPLE COME IN HERE THAT CAN'T READ ENGLISH.

THE SIGN DON'T SAY --

Slusher: I REALLY DON'T WANT TO GET INTO A POSITION OF DEFENDING PEOPLE GET TOWED AWAY, BUT IT DOES SEEM

LIKE THEY ARE GIVEN NOTICE ABOUT THAT.

WHAT'S EVEN WORSE IS THERE'S A LOT OF PARKING FACILITIES, PROPERTY OWNERS AND APARTMENT MANAGERS ARE ACCEPTING BRIBES AND TICK BACKS -- KICKBACKS FROM THE TOWING COMPANIES, AND PROBABLY SOME OF THEM CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR CAMPAIGNS IN THE PRIOR ELECTIONS.

Slusher: I DOUBT THEY CONTRIBUTED TO MINE. I DIDN'T VOTE FOR THAT BIG INCREASE THEY GOT A FEW YEARS AGO.

I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHEN IS SOMETHING GOING TO BE DONE? WHEN IS THE POLICE DOING GOING TO TAKE SOME ACTION ON THESE TOWING COMPANIES?

Goodman: MAYOR, COULD I JUST ASK CITY LEGAL TO PUT A CHART TOGETHER. THERE ARE A LOT OF DIFFERENT LITTLE ISSUES HERE AND I'M NOT REALLY FAMILIAR WITH LIKE SIGN LANGUAGE SPECIFIC -- SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OF INTENT AND ALL THAT KIND OF THING. CAN WE JUST GET A COMPARISON IN WRITING SO THAT WE CAN KIND OF FIGURE OUT WHAT'S THERE TO TARGET OR ADDRESS?

ABSOLUTELY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON. NEXT SPEAKER IS MARCELLO (INDISCERNIBLE). WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY OTA FIELDS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS MARCELLO. I'M NOT ONLY SPEAKING ON MY BEHALF, BUT ON BEHALF OF LULAC COUNCIL 7746. I'M SPEAKING OF SOUTHWEST KEY NEXT TO JOHNSON HIGH SCHOOL. WHY NOT INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF OUR YOUTH? SOUTHWEST KEY WILL PROVIDE AN EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT THAT CAN BE FOUND NOWHERE ELSE IN OUR SCHOOL SYSTEM. ONE OF THE THINGS THEY HAVE ALREADY PROPOSED IS TO HOUSE A TEJANO MUSIC MUSEUM. DR. SANCHEZ SAID HE WOULD PROVIDE AN AREA THAT WOULD BE ADEQUATE ENOUGH THAT WE COULD BRING OUR CHILDREN IN, TEACH THEM HOW TO BE ABLE TO PRESERVE OUR CULTURE THROUGH

OUR ARTISTS AND TO OUR MUSIC. AND IN TODAY'S WORLD, WITH ELECTRONIC, WITH A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE OCCURRING, THE MUSEUMS ARE MOVING INTO AN AREA THAT A LOT OF US DON'T UNDERSTAND, AND THAT IS USING ELECTRONICS TO EXHIBIT THEIR PRODUCT OR IN THIS CASE THE HISTORY. SO THEY'LL BE LEARNING NOT ONLY HOW TO PREPARE A CLEAN -- PUT THE MUSIC DOWN ON THE CD'S, BUT ALSO VIDEOTAPE OUR ARREST ARTISTS, PUT THEM ON DVD SO THEY CAN BE SEEN WHEN THEY COME TO THE MUSEUM. NOW, TEJANO MUSIC, AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, IS VERY, VERY POPULAR. TEJANO MUSIC IS RECOGNIZED THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES. WHEN TTMA FIRST STARTED, WE HAD PEOPLE BRINGING BUS LOADS OF PEOPLE FROM CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE, DENVER, ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES TO COME TO THE EVENT. AT ONE TIME HERE IN AUSTIN WHEN WE HAD THE AQUA FESTIVAL, THE ONLY NIGHTS THAT REALLY DREW MONEY WAS THE TEJANO NIGHTS. SO WE OWE A LOT TO BE ABLE TO DESERVE THIS. AND WITH SOUTHWEST KEY PROVIDING US A PLACE THAT WE CAN TEACH OUR CHILDREN, HAVE PEOPLE COME DOWN FROM ALL OVER THE STATE, ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES, TO SEE WHAT WE HAVE, WHAT WE HAVE CONTRIBUTED, NOT ONLY TO THE STATE OF TEXAS, BUT OUR MUSIC HAS EXPANDED OUTSIDE THE STATE. IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE FOR THE MILLION DOLLARS TO BE 20. I KNOW THE CITY HAS SPENT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND THEY ARE STILL THERE. SO A SMALL INVESTMENT OF A MILLION DOLLARS OF WHICH KEY HAS ALREADY RAISED THREE MILLION, WE'RE NOT EVEN ASKING FOR MATCHING FUNDS. WE'RE JUST ASKING FOR A CONTRIBUTION FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR CHILDREN. AND WHO KNOWS, ONE OF THEM MAY BE SITTING IN YOUR PLACE. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. MARCUS DELEON HAS SIGNED UP NEXT, BUT HE HAD TO GO EARLIER. SO WE'LL GO TO OTHA, FIELDS.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, MY NAME IS OTHA FIELDS, RETIRED MILITARY. I'M HERE ON AN ISSUE THAT REALLY BOTHERS ME ABOUT SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES THAT'S TAKING PLACE WITHIN THIS CITY AMONG THE ORGANIZATIONS AND THE BUSINESSES AND PERSONNEL OF AUSTIN. AND IT REALLY UPSETS ME AND I'M HERE TO TELL

EVERYBODY THAT I'M NOT HAPPY WITH WHAT HAPPENED. THERE WAS A LYNCHING THAT TOOK PLACE IN AUSTIN BETWEEN 15 DECEMBER AND 17 DECEMBER BETWEEN AUSTIN AND FORT HOOD, TEXAS. THERE WAS A SOLDIER, 60 YEARS OLD, JUST GOT OUT OF THE HOSPITAL, RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS, OXYGEN TANK ON HIS BACK IN HIS RUK SUCK, WALKED 73 MILES TO SUPPORT THE TROOPS THAT'S IN IRAQ. BA BECAUSE HE WAS A SOLDIER AND HE KNEW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE AT HOME DURING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, PARENTS WORRIED ABOUT HIM, SISTERS AND BROTHERS WORRIED ABOUT THEM. MOMS AND DADS WORRIED ABOUT THEIR KIDS. BUT THE PEOPLE IN AUSTIN DON'T CARE. THAT BOTHERS ME. I WAS THAT INDIVIDUAL THAT TOOK IT ON MY OWN AFTER SURGERY AND LET THOSE YOUNG MEN AND YOUNG WOMEN KNOW THAT WE CARE ABOUT THEM HERE IN AMERICA. I WALKED 73 MILES TWO DAYS, TWO NIGHTS, SLEPT ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD, LESS THAN 22 DEGREES AT NIGHT. THE "AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN" REFUSED TO COVER THE STORY. AND I'M GOING TO READ YOU WHAT HE SAID. AND THIS AIN'T THE FIRST TIME THAT WE'VE HAD PEOPLE THAT DONE THINGS FOR THIS COUNTRY THAT THE "AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN" FELT THAT THEY HAD A RIGHT TO DISRESPECT A SOLDIER. I WON'T USE DISCRIMINATION. TO DISRESPECT A SOLDIER. A SOLDIER AND A SCHOOL TEACHER ARE THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD. WHY I SAY THAT, BECAUSE I WAS A SOLDIER FOR 23 YEARS. TEACHERS JUST DON'T COME FROM THE CLASSROOM. TEACHERS COME FROM THE HOME, TEACHERS COME FROM THE CHURCH, TEACHERS COME FROM THE COMMUNITY, TEACHERS COME FROM THE GROCERY STORE. TEACHERS COME FROM JUST OUT IN THE STREETS. PEOPLE TEACH YOU SOMETHING EVERYDAY. AS LONG AS IT'S POSITIVE IT CAN BE UTILIZED AND THE SOLDIER KEEP YOU FREE TO LEARN. WHEN I WAS A SOLDIER, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO ANYTHING IN THIS COUNTRY. THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT ON THIS EARTH EVERY SINCE THERE'S BEEN MEN WAS A SOLDIER. THERE WAS NO ARMY, THERE WAS NO NAVY, THERE WAS NO AIR FORCE, THERE WAS NO MARINES. IT WAS SOLDIERS. AND THEY'RE STILL HERE. AND THESE ARE PEOPLE THAT'S DEDICATED BECAUSE THEY CARE. AND IF I HAD TO DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN, I DID SEVERAL TOURS IN

VIETNAM BECAUSE I KNEW MY COUNTRY NEEDED ME. BANG BUZZER SOUNDS]. BUT THIS IS THE THANKS I GET.

Mayor Wynn: MR. FIELDS, PLEASE BE BRIEF WITH THE TIME. YOUR TIME'S UP.

HE SAID THANK YOU FOR YOUR STROLL TO FORT HOOD. I DID NOT FEEL THAT YOUR WALK TO FORT HOOD SAYING THAT YOU SUPPORT THE TROOPS WAS THE REASON. AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS THAT THE MAN SAID IS THAT I DON'T THINK THAT YOU DID YOUR WALK TO SUPPORT THE TROOPS. HE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT ME. DO I LOOK LIKE A SOLDIER THAT STOOD AROUND AND DID NOTHING? I'M ONE OF THE SIX HIGHEST DECORATED BLACK MEN IN TEXAS, BUT MY PEOPLE DON'T JUST COME BLACK. MY PEOPLE ARE BLACK, BROWN, YELLOW, GREEN. THEY ARE AMERICAN PEOPLE. I FIGHT FOR EVERYBODY IN HERE. RICH OPPEL DOES NOT HAVE A RIGHT TO DENY INFORMATION TO BE SPREAD TO THE VETERANS AND THEIR PARENTS OF PEOPLE SUPPORTING THE TROOPS LIKE HE DID. MY PRIMARY MISSION IS RIGHT NOW TO EXPOSE PEOPLE LIKE THIS BECAUSE IF YOU'RE NOT SUPPORTING THE TROOPS, YOU'RE AGAINST THEM. AND HE DID NOT SUPPORT THE TROOPS. HE CANNOT DENY IT. IT'S IN WRITING. THE TVVA AGREED WITH HIM, TEXAS STATE COUNCIL AGREED WITH HIM BECAUSE IT ALL WAS A FIX. BECAUSE ONE MAN GOT UPSET BECAUSE SOMEBODY HADN'T BEEN IN THE CHAPTER AS LONG AS THE REST OF THEM AND DID SOMETHING THAT THEY HAD NEVER DONE, AND ENVY KICKED IN. AND WHO HAD TO SUFFER FOR IT? THE PARENTS AND THE EX-VETERANS AND MYSELF. I LAY SLEEPLESS EVERY NIGHT THINKING ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO ME AFTER PUTTING MY LIFE ON THE LINE FOR SO MANY TIMES FOR PEOPLE THAT DON'T CARE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. FIELDS. THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER IS JOE WEBB. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. YOU TOO WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

MAYOR, BEFORE YOU START THE CLOCK ON ME, I SERVED ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN SAN ANTONIO 14 YEARS. I HAVE VERY MUCH ESPECIALLY EMPATHY FOR ALL OF YOU AFTER HEARING WHAT YOU JUST HEARD. I ASSURE YOU THAT THIS

IS NOTHING LIKE THAT. IT WON'T TAKE ME BUT A FEW MINUTES.

Mayor Wynn: WELCOME. THANK YOU.

MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER AND THE MAYOR, I REQUEST TODAY FOR A TAX EXEMPTION FOR OUR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1717 -- 1017 EAST 11th STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS IN THE NAME OF THE MOST WISHFUL ST. JOSEPH LODGE, AM AND M OF TEXAS. A SIMPLE REQUEST IS TO BE REQUESTED FROM CITY TAXES ACCORDING TO THE LEGISLATIVE LAW. THEY PASSED IT YEAR BEFORE LAST. OUR SIMPLE REQUEST -- IT WOULD EASE THE BURDEN OF AN OLD, OLD MASONIC ORGANIZATION WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1895. AND IF I COULD GET MS. BROWN TO PASS THE HANDOUT, YOU WILL SEE WHAT I MEAN. WE WERE ESTABLISHED IN 1895. 80% OF OUR MEMBERS ARE SENIOR CITIZENS. THE BUILDING SERVES AS OUR STATE OFFICE AND MEETING PLACE OF OUR UNITS. I PROVIDED A PICTURE OF THE BUILDING THAT WAS BUILT IN 1949, ALTHOUGH OUR ORGANIZATION WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1895. WE ARE A HANDFUL LEFT. WE'RE LIKE THE DINOSAUR. AS MANY OF YOU READ, MASONS IS A DYING ORGANIZATION, BUT THE FEW OF US THAT ARE LEFT WOULD LIKE TO KEEP SUCH A BEAUTIFUL BUILDING, AND I MUST ADD THAT YOU HAVE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB ON 11th STREET. THE 11th STREET CORRIDOR IS LOOKING REAL GOOD. THROUGH ARA AND THE CITY COUNCIL AND ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF IT, HAVE DONE A FANTASTIC JOB IN THAT AREA. BUT FOR US WE'VE BEEN THERE BEFORE THERE WAS ANYTHING THERE EXCEPT YOU KNOW WHAT WENT ON AROUND OUR BUILDING AND AROUND 11th STREET IN THAT AREA. YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHAT HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR HOW MANY YEARS. AND WE HAVE STRUGGLED AND WE'VE STAYED THERE, BUT ALL WE'RE ASKING -- AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE INFORMATION THAT I GAVE YOU, ALL WE'RE ASKING IS THAT THE CITY JUST EXEMPT THE FACT UNDER THE LAW, AND WE QUALIFY UNDER THAT STATE LAW. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

Mayor Wynn: MR. WEBB, I'M LOOKING AT THIS LETTER FROM THE STATE COMPTROLLER, WHICH --

YES, SIR. THAT'S THE LETTER OF DETERMINATION WHICH -- THAT'S WHAT THEY ASKED US TO DO. THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE -- SOME ORGANIZATIONS DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THIS. YOU'LL FIND VERY FEW ORGANIZATIONS THAT QUALIFY FOR THIS TAX.

Mayor Wynn: AND THE QUALIFICATION I ASSUME IS FOR ALL TAXING AUTHORITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY, CITY AS WELL?

I HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE ALL TAXING ENTITIES.

Mayor Wynn: SO YOU'RE MAKING THE REQUEST OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OF THE COUNTY, THE CITY?

I'M ONLY MAKING THE REQUEST TODAY TO YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE THE ONLY ONES THAT CAN SAY. I'VE ALREADY HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH THE COUNTY JUDGE, SAM BISCOE, AND I'M GOING TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. I'VE ALREADY BEEN IN CONSULTATION WITH MR. STROM WITH YOUR BUDGET OFFICER HERE, AND WITH THE VARIOUS ONES WHO ARE -- THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE I COULD COME TO REALLY GET -- YOU'RE THE FINAL SAY SO. YOU'RE THE ONES WHO MAKE THE DECISION.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. MR. GARCIA, -- GARZA, DO YOU HAVE A COMMENT STH.

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I DID HAVE THE PLEASURE OF TALKING TO MR. WEBB. IN THE LAST LEGISLATIVE SESSION THE HOUSE BILL 1689 DID ENACT AN EXEMPTION FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. BASICALLY AS ALL OTHER EXEMPTIONS THAT THE LEGISLATURE PASSES, THE NEXT STEP IS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER THAT, AND IF IT SO CHOOSES, CAN MAKE IT AN EXEMPTION FROM CITY TAX. AND WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE CHIEF APPRAISER'S OFFICE TO TRY TO GET FOR YOU THE IMPACT OF THAT. AS OF RIGHT NOW, THE BEST INFORMATION WE HAVE IS THAT IN OUR TAXING ENTITY JURISDICTION WE HAVE SEVEN ORGANIZATIONS THAT QUALIFY FOR THE EXEMPTION; HOWEVER, THEY ARE STILL RUNNING A CROSS-CHECK SO THAT WHEN WE COME

BACK TO YOU WE CAN GIVE YOU THE FULL IMPACT OF THAT. I DO KNOW YESTERDAY WHEN WE DID TALK TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THEY'RE ALSO GOING THROUGH THE SAME PROCESS OF TRYING TO DETERMINE THE IMPACT. AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT IF YOU CHOOSE TO ENACT IT, WOULD BE I GUESS IN PLACE FOR THE 2005 TAX ROLL.

SO IF THE COUNCIL IS WILLING, I THINK I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR ENOUGH TIME FOR US TO INVENTORY THE PROPERTIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR THIS TAX EXEMPTION AND GIVE YOU THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THAT FOR YOU TO MAKE A DECISION BASED ON THAT.

Mayor Wynn: MAYOR PRO TEM?

Goodman: IN RESPONSE TO THAT, I WAS GOING TO SAY SOMETHING THAT RUDY ALREADY ANSWERED, BUT WE WERE GOING TO LOOK AT THE -- AT THE COMPREHENSIVE IMPACT OF THE -- OF EXEMPTING ESPECIALLY FRATERNAL CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS BECAUSE THEY DO HAVE SUCH AN IDENTIFIABLE HISTORY WITH COMMUNITY GIVING. AND ALSO I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SAY SISTERLY IN LATIN, SO -- ANY SISTERLY ONES I'M SURE WOULD BE WELCOME ON THE LIST AS WELL. BUT WE DO NEED TO KNOW THAT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, I THINK, BECAUSE ALTHOUGH I THINK IT'S A RELATIVELY MINIMAL IMPACT, STILL IT'S AN IMPACT. SO I JUST WANTED TO ASK WE HURRY UP IF WE CAN.

Futrell: RUDY, DO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH TIME IT WOULD TAKE YOU TO FIGURE OUT HOW MANY PROPERTIES AND WHAT THE FINANCIAL IMPACT WOULD BE?

TO DETERMINE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT WOULD BE EASY FOR US ONCE WE GET THE INFORMATION FROM THE APPRAISAL OFFICE. AND I KNOW THEY ARE -- THEY'RE WORKING VERY FAST TO INVENTORY THAT.

Futrell: MAYBE BY THE JUNE 27TH MEETING?

I WOULD IMAGINE IT WILL BE A FEW WEEKS BEFORE THE CHIEF APPRAISER GIVES US THAT INFORMATION. ONCE WE GET THAT, WE CAN EASILY GIVE YOU THE IMPACT OF

IMPLEMENTING THAT.

Futrell: WE'LL SHOOT THEN FOR THE END OF JUNE. AND IF ANYTHING DELAYS US, WE'LL GET THAT INFORMATION OUT TO YOU.

MAYOR PRO TEM, IF I MAY. YOU CAN SEE THE LEGAL PAPER HERE TELLING YOU HOW MUCH THE TAXES ARE THAT WE PAY. IT'S A BURDEN FOR US. AND IN PARTICULAR WITH THE CORRIDOR BEING RENOVATED AND ALL OF THE -- WE HAVE A HI-RISE IN THE FRONT OF -- I DON'T KNOW THE IMPACT, BUT IT'S GOING TO TAKE AWAY SOMEWHAT FROM US, BUT WE DIDN'T OPPOSE ANY OF THAT CONSTRUCTION AND SO FORTH. WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE IT. AND IT'S GOING TO -- THE LITTLE TAXES THAT YOU GRANT US AN EXEMPTION FOR, YOU'LL RECOVER IT FROM ALL OF THE NEW CONSTRUCTION THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE HAVING IN THAT AREA. AND WE'VE BORNE THE BURDEN FOR THESE MANY YEARS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. WEBB.

THANK YOU, SIR. AND AM I TO GET A REPLY OR ARE THEY GOING TO CONTACT ME OR WHAT?

Mayor Wynn: YES. I BELIEVE MR. GARZA ACTUALLY WILL CONTACT YOU AS SOON AS WE HAVE THAT DETERMINATION.

OKAY. AND IT WILL BE FOR THE 2004 RENDITION, IS THAT CORRECT? THE RENDITIONS WILL BE COMING OUT ABOUT THE MAY THE 20TH. I THINK YOU HAVE A WINDOW OF SOMETHING LIKE MAY THROUGH JULY TO --

IF I UNDERSTAND IT CORRECTLY, RUDY, IF THE COUNCIL CHOOSES TO DO ONE OR MORE OF THESE EXEMPTIONS, IT WOULD BE FOR THE 2005 ROLE ROLL, IS THAT CORRECT?

RIGHT, BECAUSE THE APPRAISERS HAVE ALREADY DONE THE APPRAISALS FOR PROPERTIES THAT HAVE BEEN IN PLACE SINCE JANUARY FIRST.

JUST ONE MORE THING AND I WILL CLOSE. LAST YEAR THE LEGISLATURE DID THIS AND MADE IT UP TO THE VARIOUS TAXING ENTITIES, WHICH IS FINE. AND I KNOW YOU OUGHT

TO HAVE THE SAY SO OVER WHAT YOU DO. BUT WE LOST LAST YEAR. NOBODY KNEW WHERE TO GO OR WHAT TO DO. I CALLED THE TAXES, THEY COULDN'T TELL ME. I TALKED WITH DENISE PIERCE, WITH MANY OF THEM. SO WE'RE GOING TO LOSE THIS YEAR TOO. WE LOST LAST YEAR, WE'RE GOING TO LOSE THIS YEAR AND THEN WE WON'T GET IT UNTIL 2005, IS THAT MY UNDERSTANDING?

Futrell: I BELIEVE WHAT RUDY HAS JUST TOLD US IS THAT THE DEADLINE HAS ALREADY PASSED FOR '04. SO IF THE COUNCIL CHOOSES TO DO IT NOW, THE FIRST IT WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO YOU WOULD BE FOR '05?

NO, MA'AM. YOU HAVEN'T SENT OUT YOUR RENDITIONS OUT YET.

I'LL FOLLOW UP TO SEE WHAT KIND OF TIME FRAME WE'RE IN.

SEE, THE RENDITIONS -- WE HAD UNTIL APRIL THE 30TH. I APPLIED ON MARCH 20TH. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I SENT MY FIRST LETTER IN IN JANUARY. SO YOU -- AS I SAID, YOUR WINDOW IS BETWEEN -- BE THAT AS IT MAY, I JUST WANT -- WE JUST NEED IT.

LET US PUT THE FACTS STRAIGHT. WE'LL PUT IT IN WRITING AND HAVE TO GO TO YOU BY THE END OF JUNE WHEN WE GET IT TO COUNCIL FOR THEM TO MAKE A DECISION.

OKAY. THANK YOU, COUNCIL. COUNCILMEMBER. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. WEBB. COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL THE CITIZENS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP FOR GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. AT THIS TIME WE WILL GO BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR CONSULTATION FROM OUR ATTORNEY UNDER SECTION 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO POTENTIALLY DISCUSS ITEM 29 RELATED TO SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS IN OUR E.T.J., AND WE MAY ALSO TAKE UP UNDER SECTION 551.072 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT ITEM 32 REGARDING THE DISPOSITION OF THE FORMER ROBERT MUELLER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT SITE. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION. AND SHOULD BE BACK IN OPEN SESSION FOR OUR ECONOMIC BRIEFING SOMETIME

AFTER 2:00 P.M. THANK YOU. WE TOOK UP PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH OUR ATTORNEY, WE DISCUSSED POTENTIAL DISPOSITION OF THE ROOSHT MUELLER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT SITE TO CATELLUS. AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO CALL FOR THE -- FOR THE STAFF BRIEFING OF THAT ITEM, I WILL ANNOUNCE THAT THERE WILL BE NO ACTION TAKEN ON THE ITEM THIS AFTERNOON. BUT -- BUT I BELIEVE IT'S THE WILL OF THE COUNCIL TO HAVE THE DISCUSSION OF THESE TERMS PUBLIC. AND WE WILL TALK ABOUT THE TIMING OF POTENTIAL ACTION ON THE -- WITH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MS. SUE EDWARDS.

MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, SUE EDWARDS, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE JIM COWSER OF THOMPSON AND KNIGHT WHO IS OUR OUTSIDE COUNSEL WHO WILL START THIS PRESENTATION, FOLLOWED BY JOHN STEVENS WITH THE CITY.

THANK YOU MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, THIS PRESENTATION IS IN RESPONSE TO COUNCIL REQUEST THAT CITY STAFF AND CITY FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSULTANTS PREPARE A REPORT FOR THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS FOR THE COUNCIL ON THE OPTION OF SELLING SOME OR ALL OF THE 700 ACRES AT RMMA, MUELLER AIRPORT, OR LEASING ALL OR SOME ON A LONG-TERM GROUND LEASE BASIS. AND WE ARE DIVIDING THE PRESENTATION INTO TWO COMPONENTS. I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT WHAT ARE REALLY THE LEGAL AND POLICY ISSUES ON THE OPTION OF SELLING VERSUS LEASING. AND THEN JOHN IS GOING TO, JOHN STEVENS IS GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE SPECIFIC FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AND THOSE COMPONENTS OF THE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF LEASE VERSUS SALE. IT CAN BE MADE PUBLIC WITHOUT COMPROMISING THE CITY'S COMPETITIVE POSITION. SO ... THE BROADEST CONCEPT THAT -- IF WE TAKE THE FIRST SLIDE HERE IS THAT A -- THAT A SALE, EVERYONE IS FAMILIAR WITH THAT. IF THE CITY OWNS LAND, THE CITY CAN SELL THE LAND THROUGH TRANSFERRING PROPERTY OWNERSHIP, TYPICALLY THE DOCUMENTATION IS A CONTRACT AND A DEED THE CITY HAS DONE THREENTLY AT RMMA, THIS IS HOW THE CITY DISPOSED OF THE SETON SITE THROUGH A SALE THROUGH A DEED TO CATELLUS AND

THEN CATELLUS IN TURN SOLD THAT SITE TO SETON. IT'S A VERY TRADITIONAL TYPE OF TRANSACTION, IT'S NOT COMPLICATED. THE CITY, OF COURSE, IS ASSUMPTION TO THE COMPETITIVE BID STATUTE IN TEXAS WHEN IT SELLS LAND, BUT OTHER THAN THAT THE CITY CAN DO THAT WITHOUT A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF STAFF AND LEGAL TIME. GROUND LEASES IN TEXAS AND ELSEWHERE TYPICALLY ARE LONG-TERM TRANSACTIONS WHERE THE OWNERSHIP OF THE TRACT IN QUESTION IS NOT PASSED BUT THE RIGHT TO POSSESSION OF THE TRACT IS PASSED. THE CITY RETURNS THE LONG-TERM OPEN. SOMETIMES IT IS USED TO DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENS AT THE END OF THE GROUND LEASE, WHEN PEOPLE LEASE SOMETIMES THEY DON'T MAKE A DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE FACT THAT THERE'S A GROUND LEASE AND THEN A BUILDING LEASE. IN THE CASE OF RMMA WE WOULD BE TALKING ABOUT THE GROUND LEASE WHERE THE ONLY THING THAT THE CITY WOULD PASS POSSESSION OF WOULD BE THE GROUND AND THE RIGHT TO BUILD SOMETHING ON THAT GROUND, THE CITY WOULD NOT BE BUILDING BUILDINGS IN THAT WERE THE SCENARIO. THE EXAMPLE OF GROUND LEASES THAT THE CITY HAS ENGAGED IN IN RECENT YEARS, USUALLY ARE FOR A SPECIALIZED PURPOSE, WERE THE TWO BLOCKS OF THE CSC PROJECT DOWNTOWN AND THE POST PROPERTIES APARTMENTS ON THE WEST SIDE OF DOWNTOWN. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, THE NATURE OF THE SALE IS IT'S TRADITIONAL, TYPICALLY UNCOMPLICATED. ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES IS THAT THE CONCLUSION OF A SALE, TYPICALLY THE SELLER HAS NO ONGOING LEGAL OR FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES . THE INCOME COMES UP FRONT. IT'S A CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF THE DOLLARS . NO ONGOING INCOME BECAUSE OF THE SALE. WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND, THAT DISTINGUISHES THE CITY FROM OTHER SELLERS, IF THE CITY OWNS LAND AND THEN SELLS LAND, THE CITY RETAINS TWO TYPES OF CONTROL OVER THAT LAND. ONE IS THROUGH GENERAL ORDINANCE AND POLICE POWER, SUCH AS ZONING, THE CITY RETAINS THE ABILITY TO ZONE THE PROPERTY. BUT THE CITY AS A FORMER OWNER OF THE LAND, AFTER A SALE, CAN ALSO RETAIN CONTROL THROUGH RESTRICTED CCR'S, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE PLACED ON RECORD AT THE COURTHOUSE PRIOR TO

THE SALE AND THINGS LIKE THAT, DESIGN AND USE RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE IN ADDITION TO THE -- TO THE -- IN ADDITION TO THE ZONING RESTRICTIONS CAN BE PLACED IN THE CCR, SO -- SO WE MENTION THAT BECAUSE WE WANT THE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND THAT IF THE CITY DOES SELL LAND AT MUELLER AIRPORT, IT'S NOT REBLISHING ALL CONTROL -- RELYNN WISHING ALL CONTROLS, THERE ARE WILL CONTROLS THROUGH CCR'S. NEXT SLIDE. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

THE DOWN SIDE OF THE INCOME STREAM IS IN THE CASE OF RMMA, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN FUNDS FOR THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE OTHER UP FRONT COSTS OF DEVELOPING THAT AIRPORT, THE CITY COULD NOT ACTUALLY BEGIN RECEIVING THE GROUND LEASE REVENUE. OUR FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS ADVISE US AND I THINK IT'S VALID ADVICE THAT IN ORDER TO GET UP FRONT FUNDS THE CITY WOULD HAVE TO SELL LEASES BACKED BY THE GROUND LEASE REVENUES IN ORDER TO SOMEHOW SELL BONDS BACKED BY THE GROUND LEASE REVENUES AND GET A PRESENT PAYMENT OUT OF THAT. AND SO DURING THE EARLY YEARS OF ANY GROUND LEASE SCENARIOS, THE REVENUES FROM A GROUND LEASE WOULD GO DIRECTLY TO RETIRE BONDS BACKED BY THE GROUND LEASE REVENUE. SO THERE WOULD BE A FUTURE INCOME STREAM, BUT THE INCOME STREAM FOR THE CITY UNDER THE SCENARIOS THAT OUR FINANCIAL CONSULTANT HAVE REVIEWED WOULD NOT BE A PRESENT INCOME STREAM, IT WOULD BE A FUTURE INCOME STREAM AFTER THE LEASE BACKED BONDS WERE PAID OFF. SO THOSE ARE AMONG THE PROBLEMATIC IMPLICATIONS OF A GROUND LEASE. GOING TO THE SLIDE CAPTION LEASING NON-TRADITIONAL STRUCTURES, ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS THE CITY WOULD BE PREPARED TO DEAL WITH IN TERMS OF A GROUND LEASE WOULD BE THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE GROUND LEASE. IN ADDITION TO THE COST TO NEGOTIATE AND ADMINISTER THE GROUND LEASE, THE CITY WOULD NEED TO HAVE -- GOING TO THE NEXT SLIDE, BUT BASICALLY STAFF AND POSSIBLY A DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH THE ONGOING RESPONSIBILITIES. ANOTHER ASPECT OF A GROUND LEASE WOULD BE THAT THE CITY AS THE OWNER OF THE LAND FOR 30, 60, 90 YEARS, WOULD HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH

COMMERCIAL SYSTEMS AND SOMETIMES A RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMERCIAL TENANTS IS VERY SMOOTH, BUT THAT'S NOT ALWAYS THE CASE. SOMETIMES A LESSOR AND A LEASEE OR SOMETIMES ADVERSE. THERE ARE SOME COMPLICATIONS TO A GROUND LEASE. IN TEXAS THE GREATEST OBSTACLE WOULD BE HOMEOWNERS IN TEXAS ARE -- THEIR EXPECTATION IS THAT THEY WILL BUY A LOT OR BUY A LOT AND HOUSE AND THEY WILL OWN THAT. OWNERSHIP IS PROBABLY THE KEY ELEMENT SOCIALLY AND LEGALLY, AND THE HOMEOWNER'S EXPECTATION. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'VE LABELED HERE AS THE STRONG SOCIAL PREFERENCE FOR LAND OWNERSHIP. THERE ARE A LOT OF REASONS FOR THAT. THERE'S THE DESIRE TO BUILD EQUITY, THE DESIRE THAT HAS THE LAND AND THE HOUSE -- AS THEY ACHIEVE VALUE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PASS THAT ON TO YOUR FAMILY, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO REALIZE THAT ON A RESALE OF THE PROPERTY. AND ALL OF THAT BECOMES MORE DIFFICULT IF THE HOMEOWNER DOES NOT OWN THE UNDERLYING LAND. IT ALSO BECOMES VERY COMPLICATED AT THE TIME WHERE THE GROUND LEASE ENDS AND THE LAND REVERSES TO THE CITY AND WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THE HOUSE AT THAT POINT. SO FOR THAT AND OTHER REASONS, GROUND LEASING FOR HOMEOWNER RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES IS VIRTUALLY UNKNOWN IN TEXAS BECAUSE OF THAT TYPE OF COMPLICATION. WE WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT FOR THE CITY THE ONGOING RESPONSIBILITIES THAT WOULD BE INVOLVED IF THE CITY ELECTED TO GROUND LEASE ALL OR A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF RMMA. AS WE DISCUSSED EARLIER, IN THE EVENT OF A SALE, YOU'RE PRETTY MUCH DONE WITH THE PROPERTY EXCEPT FOR THE CONTROL YOU CONTINUE TO EXERCISE THE ZONING AND CCR. IF THE CITY IS GOING TO BE A LESSOR OR A LANDLORD FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, WE THINK THE CITY WOULD NEED LEASING MANAGERS AND COORDINATORS. WE THINK PART OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES WOULD BE ONGOING REVIEW OF THE NEW TENANT, AS THE OLD LEASE IS IN, THEN NEW LAND IN THE RMMA IS LEASED OUT. THIS INCLUDES REVIEW OF LENDER CERTIFICATES TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LENDERS ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEASE TERMS. AN ANNUAL REVIEW OR OCCASIONAL REVIEW OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS. THE CITY

AS THE LENDER -- AS THE LESSOR UNDER A GROUND LEASE WOULD PRESUMABLY RETAIN CONTROL OVER WHAT'S BUILT ON THE PROPERTY, WHICH WOULD MEAN REVIEW OF BUILDING PLANS. AND THEN OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THE COUNCIL IS UNDER THE STATE LAW AND CITY CHARTER, WE BELIEVE THAT EACH LEASE WOULD NEED TO COME BACK TO THE CITY FOR APPROVAL. AND WHETHER IT WAS JUST COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES AT MUELLER, WHICH WOULD PROBABLY TOTAL IN THE DOZENS, IF NOT IN THE HUNDREDS, OR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES, WHICH WOULD TOTAL IN THE THOUSANDS, BE BELIEVE A SUBSTANTIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COUNCIL TO APPROVE LEASES. IN ADDITION, THE CITY, LIKE ANY OTHER LANDLORD LONG-TERM LESSOR IN TEXAS, WOULD BE SUBJECT TO STATUTORY DUTIES THAT THE CITY STAFF WOULD NEED TO BE FAMILIAR WITH, EDUCATION AND COMPLIANCE WITH DUTIES RELATING TO ACCESSIBILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES, AND THEN THERE'S THE ISSUE OF PREMISE OWNER LIABILITY, PRIMARILY IN THE TORT THEATER, BUT ALSO POTENTIAL CONTRACT LIABILITY. TRANSITIONING INTO THE NEXT SLIDE, I'M GOING TO TURN THIS OVER TO JOHN STEPHENS TO COMPLETE, BUT OUR LEGAL RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL BASED ON OUR REVIEW OF INFORMATION THAT WE OBTAINED FROM PROPONENTS OF GROUND LEASING, OUR REVIEW OF OTHER SCENARIOS WHERE FOR VARIOUS REASONS GROUND LEASES HAVE BEEN ENTERED INTO WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS. OUR REVIEW OF A NUMBER OF SITUATIONS WHERE FOR IN SPECIAL CASES THE CITY ITSELF HAS ENTERED INTO GROUND LEASES, SUCH AS CSC, SUCH AS THE HILTON HOTEL, POST PROPERTIES HERE. IN OUR APPLICATION OF THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES JUST DISCUSSED AS TO WHEN SELLING IS TO THE CITY'S ADVANTAGE, WHEN GROUND LEASING IS TO THE CITY'S ADVANTAGE, WITHOUT REALLY GETTING INTO THE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS, I CAN ADVISE YOU AS THE CITY'S OUTSIDE COUNSEL ON THIS THAT WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND SELLING AS AN ALTERNATIVE. THAT IS SUPERIOR TO GROUND LEASING FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF WHAT'S IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY AND WHAT WILL MAKE THIS THE ARC DEVELOPMENT OF THE RMMA, RMMA REDEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PLAN THAT HAS BEEN

BEFORE THE CITY THE PAST FEW YEARS AND MADE IT FEASIBLE. LEGALLY A SALE WORKS AND A GROUND LEASE DOES NOT WORK. WE'RE NOT SAYING THAT THERE IS A LEGAL OBSTACLE AND THAT THERE WOULD BE ANYTHING ILLEGAL ABOUT THE CITY ENTERING INTO A GROUND LEASE WITH THE RMMA, BUT WHAT WE CAN TELL YOU AND TELL THE PUBLIC IS IF THE GOAL OF THE CITY IS DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY UNDER THE RMMA PLAN, IT'S GOING TO BE MUCH MORE FEASIBLE TO DO THAT UNDER A SALES SCENARIO THAN UNDER A MORE COMPLEX, EXPENSIVE AND LONG-TERM ADMINISTRATIVELY DETAILED GROUND LEASE SCENARIO. AND WITH THAT I'LL TURN IT OVER TO JOHN STEPHENS WITH A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS.

COUNCIL, LET ME START OFF GIVING YOU AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT ECONOMICS. MUELLER IS A 700-ACRE SITE THAT HAS NO INFRASTRUCTURE, NO USABLE INFRASTRUCTURE IN IT, AND IT ACTUALLY HAS EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS ON IT THAT HAVE NEGATIVE VALUE IN THE SENSE THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE THOSE IMPROVEMENTS UP. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE SOME DEMOLITION COSTS TO BE ABLE TO EVEN BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF ANY OTHER IMPROVEMENTS OUT THERE. THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE PUBLIC FACILITIES COSTS ARE SUBSTANTIAL, AND IN THE NEXT SLIDE I'LL GIVE YOU SOME CATEGORIES OF WHAT THOSE COSTS ARE COMPRISED OF. AGAIN, OUR CONCLUSION IS THAT THE REDEVELOPMENT, THE MASTER PLAN IS NOT FEASIBLE WITHOUT PUBLIC FINANCING. AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE SAID ALL ALONG ABOUT THE MUELLER PLAN. WE ALWAYS ASSUMED THAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE SOME ELEMENT OF PUBLIC FINANCING INVOLVED IN THAT, BUT THERE ARE WAYS TO CERTAINLY MINIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF PUBLIC FINANCING THAT'S REQUIRED. THEN THE PURPOSE OF THIS PRESENTATION AGAIN IS TO SHOW YOU THAT A LEASE VERSUS SALE SCENARIO DOES HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN. THIS IS SOME DETAIL ON THE PROJECT COSTS, THINGS THAT RANGE FROM DESIGN AND CONSULTING SERVICES TO PUTTING IN WATER AND WASTEWATER LINES, ROADWAYS, WET PONDS, LANDSCAPING AND AMENITIES AND SO ON. I

WANT TO WALK Y'ALL THROUGH ALL OF THESE. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO POINT OUT AT THIS STAGE, THOUGH, THAT THE PROJECT COSTS ARE SIGNIFICANT AND ARE NOT REALLY COMPARABLE TO OTHER DEVELOPMENTS THAT YOU MIGHT WANT TO TRY TO COMPARE THIS TO. THIS REALLY IS A UNIQUE PROJECT. THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF TIME AND DEVELOPMENT -- A LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT PUT IN BY NUMEROUS STAKEHOLDERS IN THE COMMUNITY TO COME UP WITH A DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT INCLUDES AMENITIES LIKE 20% OPEN SPACE, IT INCLUDES ALLEYS. THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN HAS SIGNIFICANT AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPONENT TO IT. SO IT'S NOT REALLY COMPARABLE. IT'S GOING TO BE A UNIQUE DEVELOPMENT. GETTING INTO A COMPARISON OF WHAT A LEASE VERSUS SALE SCENARIO LOOKS LIKE, JUST GRAPHICALLY, THIS GRAPH SHOWS YOU THE RED LINE, WHICH ARE THE PROJECT COSTS, AND THE GREEN LINE UNDER A LAND SALE SCENARIO. THIS SHOWS YOU THE TIMING IN WHICH THOSE COSTS WOULD BE INCURRED. AND UNDER THE LAND SALE SCENARIO, IN WHICH THE REVENUES WOULD COME IN TO PAY FOR THE INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE IS A MISMATCH EVEN IN THE INITIAL YEAR BETWEEN THE COST AND THE REVENUE TO PAY FOR THOSE COSTS, AND THAT'S WHERE THAT PUBLIC FINANCING COMPONENT IS GOING TO COME IN. AGAIN, UNDER THE SALES SCENARIO, THE PUBLIC FINANCING ENDS UP REALLY BEING A MINOR ELEMENT OF THE FINANCING OF THE TOTAL DEVELOPMENT COSTS FOR THE PROJECT BECAUSE THIS PATTERN, AS YOU CAN SEE, AND IN CONTRAST TO THE NEXT PATTERN THAT YOU'LL SEE REALLY AS A RELATIVELY TIGHT PATTERN. THE COSTS AND THE REVENUES ARE FAIRLY CLOSELY MATCHED IN THIS SCENARIO. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF YOU LOOK AT A LEASE SCENARIO YOU'VE GOT THE SAME PROJECT COST LINE IN THERE WITH MOST OF THE PROJECT COSTS COMING UP FRONT AND ARE ALL INCURRED BY A 10 YEAR TIME FRAME. BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, YOUR ANNUAL LEASE REVENUES FROM THE PROJECT ARE COMING IN AT A MUCH LOWER RATE. AND SO THE PROBLEM IS THAT YOU HAVE AN INITIAL VERY LARGE MISMATCH BETWEEN YOUR PROJECT COSTS AND THE REVENUES TO PAY FOR THOSE PROJECT COSTS. AND THAT IS GOING TO REQUIRE YOU TO UNDERTAKE SOME VERY EXPENSIVE FINANCING OPTIONS.

THIS SLIDE SHOWS YOU THE WAYS THAT THE 175 MILLION IN PROJECT COSTS, WHICH IS THE TOTAL FOR THE PROJECT COSTS, THAT THIS -- THAT THOSE COSTS COULD BE PAID FOR. THE OBJECTIVE -- THE OBJECTIVE ALL ALONG WITH THIS HAS BEEN TO HAVE THE PROJECT PAY FOR ITSELF. IT'S ALWAYS BEEN ABOUT IMPLEMENTING THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND NOT NECESSARILY MAKING MONEY OFF OF THE PROJECT, BUT WE HAVE ALWAYS TRIED TO LOOK FOR A SOLUTION THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO PAY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN ITSELF WITHIN THE PROJECT REVENUES. LET ME ORIENT YOU TO THIS SLIDE FOR JUST A MOMENT IF I CAN. THIS COLUMN RIGHT HERE SHOWS THE FINANCING OPTIONS THAT WE WOULD USE UNDER A COMPLETE SALE ANALYSIS. THIS SHOWS THE FINANCING OPTIONS THAT WE GO TO UNDER A COMPLETE LEASE SCENARIO, AND THIS IS THEN A 50/50, SORT OF A COMBINATION SCENARIO THAT WE HAD OUR CONSULTANTS RUN. THE FINANCING OPTIONS THEMSELVES UNDER EACH ONE OF THOSE SCENARIOS ARE LISTED IN ORDER FROM LEAST EXPENSIVE IN TERMS OF FINANCING TO MOST EXPENSIVE IN TERMS OF FINANCING. SO THE FIRST LINE YOU SEE THERE IS THE LAND SALE LINE ITSELF, WHICH IS BASICALLY CASH. THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE OBVIOUSLY ANY FINANCING COSTS ATTACHED TO THAT BECAUSE THE WAY THAT THAT SCENARIO WORKS IS, AS THE PHASES OF THE PROJECT ARE TAKEN DOWN, THE LAND IS SOLD AND THEN THE PROCEEDS FROM THE LAND IMMEDIATELY GOES TO PAY OFF THE PROJECT COSTS. THE SECOND LINE THERE SHOWS OUR PUBLIC FINANCING COMPONENT, TAX INCREMENT FINANCING BONDS OR TIF BONDS. AND THOSE ARE BONDS THAT WOULD BE PAID OFF. THE DEBT SERVICE ON THE BONDS WOULD BE PAID WITH EITHER SALES TAX REVENUE OR PROPERTY TAX REVENUE THAT'S GENERATED WITHIN THE PROJECT ITSELF. THE LEASE BONDS ARE A MORE EXPENSIVE FINANCING OPTION THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO GO TO IN A COUPLE OF THOSE SCENARIOS. YOU SEE THE INTEREST RATE FOR THOSE. THOSE ARE BONDS THAT WOULD NOT BE BACKED BY PROPERTY TAX REVENUES ARE SALES TAX REVENUES, WHICH INVESTORS TYPICALLY SEE AS A SAFER SOURCE OF REPAYMENT, BUT INSTEAD WOULD BE BACKED BY LEASE REVENUES FROM THE PROJECT ITSELF,

THAT IS, FROM THE ACTUAL LEASE OF THE LAND. AND THEN FINALLY, IN EACH ONE OF THE SCENARIOS, WE ASSUME THAT THE DEVELOPER WILL ALWAYS MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE FINANCING OF THE PROJECT. IT JUST DEPENDS ON TO WHAT EXTENT THEY ARE IN THE GAME, SO TO SPEAK. MOVING TO THE SALES SCENARIO, YOU SEE -- ALTHOUGH WE HAVE THE DOLLARS UP THERE. -- ALTHOUGH WE DON'T HAVE THE DOLLARS UP THERE, UNDER THE SALES SCENARIO, MOST OF THE MONEY TO PAY FOR THE 175 MILLION IN PROJECT COSTS WOULD COME IN FROM LAND SALES, IN OTHER WORDS, WOULD BE IN CASH. WE WOULD HAVE TO ISSUE A SMALL -- RELATIVELY SMALL AMOUNT OF TIF BONDS UNDER THE SALES SCENARIO. AGAIN, IF UNDER THE INTEREST RATE YOU SEE THERE, ABOUT FIVE AND A HALF PERCENT. AND THEN UNDER THAT SCENARIO WE WOULD WANT THE DEVELOPTORY HAVE SOME MONEY IN THE GAME. WE WANT THEM TO BE AN AT RISK PARTNER WITH US IN THE PROJECT, THAT THEY WOULD HAVE A RELATIVELY SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE PROJECT. UNDER THE TOTAL LEASE SCENARIO, YOU HAVE A VERY, VERY SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WOULD COME IN UNDER THAT FIRST LINE, THE LAND SALE. IT WOULD ESSENTIALLY BE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WE GOT FROM THE SALE OF LAND FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, TO SETON. THAT'S THE ONLY AMOUNT THAT WOULD BE IN THERE. UNDER THE LEASE SCENARIO WE WOULD THEN HAVE TO GO TO ISSUE ABOUT TWICE AS MUCH FROM TIF BOND AS WE WOULD IN THE SALES SCENARIO AND WE WOULD THEN GO ON TO HAVE TO ISSUE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF LEASE BONDS AT A HIGHER INTEREST RATE, ABOUT SEVEN AND A HALF PERCENT. THEN FURTHER UNDER THE LEASE SCENARIO, WE WOULD HAVE TO GO TO THE DEVELOPER BECAUSE WE'VE RUN SHORT OF CASH IN THE PROJECT AT THAT POINT. WE WOULD HAVE TO GO TO THE DEVELOPER AND ASK HIM TO PUT IN ABOUT FOUR TIMES AS MUCH MONEY AS HE WOULD UNDER THE LEASE SCENARIO AS HE DID UNDER THE SALES SCENARIO. AND SO WHAT'S HAPPENED IN THAT CASE IS THE DEVELOPER HAS REALLY CHANGED ROLES FROM BEING SORT OF AN AT RISK PARTNER WITH US IN THE PROJECT TO BEING A MAJOR FINANCIER OF THE PROJECT. BUT THAT COMES AT A 20 PERCENT INTEREST RATE, WHICH IS AN INDUSTRY

STANDARD INTEREST RATE FOR DEVELOPER OF OF THIS TYPE OF PROJECT. UNDER THE 50/50 SALE, THE LAND SALE NUMBER WOULD BE LARGER, BUT WE WOULD STILL HAVE TO RESORT TO ISSUING ABOUT TWICE AS MUCH IN TIF BONDS AS WE DID UNDER THE SALES SCENARIO. WE WOULD THEN HAVE TO GO ON TO ISSUE A SIGNIFICANT -- STILL SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF LEASE BONDS, AND WE WOULD THEN STILL HAVE TO DROP DOWN TO THE DEVELOPER PUTTING IN ABOUT THREE TIMES AS MUCH MONEY INTO THE PROJECT AS HE PUT IN THE PROJECT UNDER THIS SCENARIO. AGAIN, AT THAT VERY HIGH INTEREST RATE OF 20%, ALTHOUGH THAT IS, AGAIN, AN INDUSTRY STANDARD FOR A DEVELOPER OF THIS TYPE OF PROJECT. EVERYTHING DOWN TO THIS LINE HERE IS OUR -- MEETS OUR OBJECTIVE OF PAYING FOR THE PROJECT COSTS, THE UP FRONT INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS THROUGH PROJECT REVENUES. BUT THE PROBLEM IS UNDER THE LEASE SCENARIO, WE STILL DON'T GET THERE. IN OTHER WORDS, WE CANNOT -- WE CAN'T RESORT TO THE PROJECT PAYING FOR ITSELF. AND SO UNDER THE LEASE SCENARIO, WE ALSO HAVE TO DROP DOWN AND HAVE AN IMMEDIATE CONTRIBUTION FROM THE GENERAL FUND, SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION FROM THE GENERAL FUND, WHEREAS UNDER THIS SCENARIO THERE'S NO CONTRIBUTION FROM THE GENERAL FUND REQUIRED. LIKEWISE UNDER THE 50/ 50 SCENARIO WE WOULD HAVE TO CONTRIBUTE GENERAL FUND MONEY UP FRONT TO THE PROJECT, BUT NOT AS MUCH AS UNDER THE TOTAL LEASE SCENARIO. OUR RELIGIOUS, THEREFORE, IS -- OUR RECOMMENDATION, THEREFORE, IS TO REALLY IMPLEMENT THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN, WE HAVE TO GO WITH THE BUSINESS PLAN UNDER WHICH WE WOULD SELL THE LAND RATHER THAN LEASE THE LAND. THE PROJECT IS SIMPLY NOT ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE UNDER THE LEASE SCENARIO WITHOUT PUTTING IN MONEY UP FRONT AND WITHOUT PAYING FOR SOME FAIRLY VERY EXPENSIVE FINANCING OPTIONS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THIS SALE PROVIDES -- THE SALES SCENARIO PROVIDES A TRADITIONAL STRUCTURE THAT WILL HELP US FACILITATE THE ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OUT THERE AND WOULD ALLOW US TO IMPLEMENT THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FROM THE PROJECT ITSELF, PROJECT REVENUES ITSELF. AND THEN THE LAST POINT IS JUST REITERATING WHAT JIM

COWSER SAID EARLIER, THAT LEASING IS NOT ONLY THE MOST EXPENSIVE FINANCING OPTION FOR US AND ONE THAT'S NOT REALLY FEASIBLE FOR THE PROJECT ITSELF, BUT IT WOULD FURTHERMORE REQUIRE ONGOING RESPONSIBILITY AND COSTS THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE PROJECT. MAYOR, THIS CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION. I'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. STE FENZ. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? MR. STEPHENS, WOULD YOU REMIND ME, I BELIEVE IT'S THE WILL OF COUNCIL THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO TAKE ACTION ON THIS ITEM TODAY, BUT HAVE THIS PRESENTATION. REMIND US ABOUT THE -- WHAT IS THE NEXT RMMA CITIZEN COMMITTEE MEETING? WILL THIS BE MADE TO THAT GROUP AS WELL?

MAYOR, WE THINK THERE'S AN RMMA COMMISSION MEETING NEXT TUESDAY. AND WE WOULD BE MAKING THIS SAME PRESENTATION TO THE RMMA COMMISSION AT THAT TIME.

Mayor Wynn: THAT WOULD BE MY RECOMMENDATION WITHOUT OBJECTION, COUNCIL. FURTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS OF MR. STEPHENS OR OF STAFF? IF NOT, WE APPRECIATE YOU GIVING THIS INFORMATION OUT AS PUBLIC AS POSSIBLE. I'M SORRY, COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER.

Slusher: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO GIVE THE PUBLIC A CHANCE TO COMMENT ON THIS NEXT WEEK. I UNDERSTAND WE ALREADY HAVE TWO 6:00 O'CLOCK PUBLIC HEARINGS, BUT I'D STILL LIKE TO PUT IT IN THAT TIME FRAME.

Mayor Wynn: I TEND TO AGREE. FURTHER COMMENTS, COUNCIL? HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, WE'LL WORK WITH THE AGENDA OFFICE TO SCHEDULE THIS FOR A PUBLIC HEARING AT THE NEXT THURSDAY'S COUNCIL MEETING AND DO LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING Y'ALL GIVE THIS PRESENTATION TO OUR CITIZEN ADVISORY GROUP.

MAYOR, MR. COWSER -- WE'RE ALSO GOING TO PUT THIS UP AS AN ACTION ITEM FOR NEXT THURSDAY, PRESUMEBLY AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor Wynn: YES.

Mayor Wynn: AT THIS TIME WE WILL GO BACK TO WHAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR A 2:00 O'CLOCK BRIEFING, OUR QUARTERLY ECONOMIC BRIEFING. WE APPRECIATE EVERYBODY AGO PATIENCE. AND WHAT WE HAVE DONE. WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS STARTED HAVING QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS FROM THE CITY'S ECONOMIC STAFF, USUALLY FROM THE BUDGET OFFICER, RUDY GARZA, AND/OR OUR DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC GROWTH, SUE EDWARDS. AND WE TEND TO TEAM THAT WITH PARTNERING PRESENTATIONS. THIS AFTERNOON WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM WORK SOURCE, OUR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, AS WELL AS CAPITAL SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT, WHO PUT ON THE ANNUAL AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL. AT THIS TIME I'LL RECOGNIZE MS. SUE EDWARDS.

I BELIEVE THAT RUDY GARZA IS GOING FIRST TODAY. WE'RE SWITCHING UP GENTLEMEN BEFORE LADIES TODAY.

I JUST STARTED EATING A SNICKERS WHEN YOU GUYS WRAPPED UP.

AND THAT SHOULD BE A SIGN THAT THINGS ARE LOOKING UP.

I BROUGHT MY OWN SNICKERS. [LAUGHTER]

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I'M RUDY GARZA, YOUR BUDGET OFFICER. WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO QUICKLY GO THROUGH SOME OF THE ECONOMIC INDICATORS THAT WE SHARED WITH YOU LAST MONTH AND THAT WE'VE CHOSEN TO MONITOR FOR YOU ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. WE'LL START OFF WITH A REVIEW OF THREE OF THE MORE COMMONLY OR MORE TALKED ABOUT NATIONAL MEASURES AND THEN WE'VE GOT SIX LOCAL INDICATORS THAT WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT. THE FIRST ONE WILL BE THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE GDP. THAT NUMBER FOR THIS FIRST PART OF THIS YEAR WAS 4.2, JUST ABOVE THE ENDING CALENDAR YEAR 2003. THE GDP BASICALLY IS THE MEASURE OF THE MONETARY VALUE OF ALL THE GOODS AND SERVICES PRODUCED BY THE ECONOMY WITHIN A GIVEN PERIOD OF TIME, IN THIS

CASE A QUARTER. AT THIS POINT WE DO HAVE APPROXIMATELY 10 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS OF POSITIVE GROWTH, HOWEVER, THE FIRST QUARTER NUMBER OF 4.2 WAS SLIGHTLY BELOW THE EXPECTED, FORECASTED NUMBER OF FIVE PERCENT. GRAPHICALLY YOU WILL SEE THE GDP NUMBER FOR THE FIRST QUARTER THIS CALENDAR YEAR ACTUALLY EXCEEDS THE PRIOR TWO YEARS FIRST QUARTER NUMBERS. THE CONSUMER CONFIDENCE NUMBER -- AS YOU KNOW, CONSUMER SPENDING MAKES UP ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY. SO THE CONSUMER CONFIDENCE NUMBER IS ALWAYS AN INDEX THAT WE MONITOR CLOSELY. BASICALLY IT'S HOW OUR CONSUMERS ARE FEELING. IT'S A SURVEY OF APPROXIMATELY FIVE THOUSAND HOUSEHOLDS AND IT GIVES YOU AN OUTLOOK OVER THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. THE APRIL NUMBER FOR CONSUMER CONFIDENCE WAS 92.9, WHICH WAS BASICALLY SLIGHTLY -- SLIGHTLY LOWER THAN THE HIGHEST MONTH BY THE YEAR OF 96.8 IN JANUARY. OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS, APRIL IS IN THE SECOND HIGHEST. JUST TO GIVE YOU AN INDICATION AND PUT IT IN PERSPECTIVE OF WHERE WE WERE IN 2000 RIGHT BEFORE THE STEEP DECLINE IN OUR ECONOMY. IN JANUARY OF 2000 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE AFS AT 144.7. QULEERLY WE'RE NOT THERE, BUT WHAT YOU WILL SE SEE IS THAT CONSUMER CONFIDENCE IS STABILIZING. WE'RE STILL NOT AS STRONG ROBUST ECONOMY, BUT WE ARE STABILIZING. THE CONSUMERS ARE FEELING A LITTLE BETTER ABOUT THE JOB MARKET. WE AREN'T SEEING TREMENDOUS GROWTH, BUT WE ARE SEEING SOME GROWTH IN JOBS, AND AT LEAST WE'RE NOT SEEING A CONTINUED DECLINE. KIND OF A GOOD SEGUE TO OUR NEXT SLIDE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ON THE NATIONAL LEVEL. WE'LL TALK MORE ON THE LOCAL LEVEL AS GOING THROUGH THE LOCAL INDICATORS. THE MOST UPDATED INFORMATION WE HAVE IS FOR MARCH OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR, 5.7%, WHICH IS UNCHANGED FROM THE DECEMBER NUMBER OF 5.7%. IN FACT, IF YOU READ THE ARTICLE TODAY, THE NUMBERS ARE DUE TOMORROW FOR THE APRIL -- THE APRIL NUMBERS ARE DUE TO BE PUBLISHED TOMORROW. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT MAKES DISCUSSING ECONOMIC INDICATORS SOMETIMES COMPLICATED IS THERE'S JUST DIFFERENT WAYS OF LOOKING AT THE INFORMATION AND DIFFERENT

WAYS OF LOOKING AT PEACES OF THE INFORMATION. SO WHILE THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HASN'T CHANGED FROM DECEMBER TO MARCH, THE INTERESTING PART IS THAT THE NUMBER OF JOBS AVAILABLE HAS ACTUALLY DECREASED FROM DECEMBER TO MARCH, BUT SO HAS THE LABOR FORCE. OVERALL, HOWEVER, THE NON-FARM JOBS WE DID SEE A SIGNIFICANT GAIN. IF YOU READ THE ARTICLE TODAY, ONE OF THE ECONOMISTS HAD PROJECTED SOMETHING SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER THAN THAT. THE PROJECTIONS THAT WE'RE EXPECTING TOMORROW ARE A WIDE RANGE, FROM 90,000 TO 250,000. AND CLEARLY IT'S SOMETHING WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO TOMORROW, A GOOD INDICATION OF OUR OUR CONSUMERS ARE FEELING ABOUT THE ECONOMY. I'M GOING TO JUMP OVER TO SOME OF THE LOCAL INDICATORS. STAYING WITH THE TONE OF EMPLOYMENT, EMPLOYMENT FOR THE AUSTIN AREA AND OUR METROPOLITAN AREA, YOU'LL SEE LOOKING AT THE AVERAGE MONTHLY NUMBERS IN 2002 SLIGHTLY AHEAD OF WHERE WE ENDED 2003. RELATED TO THAT ALSO IN TODAY'S STATESMAN BUSINESS SECTION, WE DID SEE THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF ABOUT 550 JOBS COMING INTO OUR AREA. SO WE CONTINUE TO SEE SOME GOOD INFORMATION COMING FORWARD, AND WE STILL DO BELIEVE THAT WE ARE SEEING A VERY SLOW, BUT WE ARE SEEING A RECOVERY IN OUR ECONOMY. ON A MONTHLY BASIS, RIGHT NOW TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL PEOPLE WORKING IS 649,000. WHILE AGAIN, WHILE IT IS ENCOURAGING INFORMATION THAT OUR ECONOMY IS GOING IN A POSITIVE DIRECTION, IT ALWAYS HELPS US TO PUT THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE. IF YOU LOOK IN NOVEMBER OF 2000 WHERE WE HAD 690,000 PEOPLE WORKING, SO CLEARLY A BIG DIFFERENCE FROM WHERE OUR ECONOMY WAS THRIVING. BELOW THAT YOU SEE THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE JUST SLIGHTLY HIGHER IN MARCH COMPARED TO HOW WE ENDED DECEMBER OF 2003. THE NEXT TWO MEASURES ARE MEASURES THAT WE MONITOR TO GIVE US AN IDEA, GIVE US A PICTURE OF THE IMPACT OF THE ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN. THESE ARE PERIOD LAGGING INDICATORS, BUT IT BASICALLY TELLS US HOW FAMILIES, HOW INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES. IN TRAVIS COUNTY, YOU CAN SEE THERE'S FORECLOSURE NUMBERS, PRETTY SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN 2002. OVERALL WE HAD A 62% INCREASE IN

2003 COMPARED TO 2004. FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY THROUGH APRIL OF THIS YEAR COMPARED TO THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR, WE HAVE SEEN A 295 HOME FORECLOSURES OR APPROXIMATELY A 26% INCREASE. BANKRUPTCIES, WHICH IS NOT LIMITED TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN OR TRAVIS COUNTY, BUT RATHER COVERS A REGION OF 17 COUNTIES FROM MASON TO BURLESON COUNTY, A VERY LARGE AREA, BANKRUPTCIES ALSO CONTINUED TO INCREASE. IN 2003 WE ENDED THE YEAR WITH A 24% INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF BANKRUPTCY FILINGS. AND FOR THE SAME PERIOD JANUARY TO FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR, COMPARED TO LAST YEAR SAME PERIOD, WE ARE CONTINUING TO SEE AN INCREASE. BUT WE'RE NOT ALONE IN THESE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THIS. CLEARLY THE ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN THAT'S IMPACTED EVERY CITY IN THE STATE, EVERY CITY IN THE COUNTRY. TO GIVE YOU SOME COMPARISONS BANKRUPTCIES, DALLAS FOR THE SAME TIME PERIOD HAS EXPERIENCED AN APPROXIMATELY 11% INCREASE. ONE ARTICLE IN THE STATESMAN THAT CAUGHT OUR ATTENTION IS WE LOOKED AT THE BANKRUPTCY INFORMATION THAT YOU SEE THERE AND FOR THE FORECLOSURES. BOTTOM LINE WHAT THEY'RE SAYING IS JOBS IS THE KEY TO THE RECOVERY. JOBS WILL BE WHAT MAKES CONSUMERS FEEL BETTER. WILL MAKE CAPITAL DECISIONS EASIER TO MAKE. SO THE KEY CONTINUES TO BE JOBS. GRAPHICLY YOU CAN SEE IN THE NEXT TWO SLIDES, FORECLOSURES, YOU SEE THAT INFORMATION IN FORECLOSURES CONTINUE TO INCREASE IN TRAVIS COUNTY, THE SAME THING FOR BANKRUPTCIES. JUST A CONTINUED INCREASE IN 2004. WE ENDED THE YEAR OF 2003, AGAIN IT INCREASED OVER THE PRIOR YEAR. ONE OF THE MEASURES -- BASICALLY A QUARTER OF THE REVENUE IN THE GENERAL FUND, AND SOME OF THAT -- WE HAVE SEEN SOME POSITIVE GAIN. FOR THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF THIS FISCAL YEAR, WE'RE JUST UNDER A SIX PERCENT GROWTH. AND TO KEEP THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE, WE ANOTHER WE'RE COMPARING OURSELVES TO SOME OF THE MORE ATROCIOUS TIMES IN OUR ECONOMY; HOWEVER, IT IS POSITIVE AND THINGS ARE BETTER.

WE APPROVED IT WITH A TWO PERCENT GROWTH. WE HAVE REVISED IT TO FIVE PERCENT. I DO BELIEVE UNLESS

SOMETHING SIGNIFICANT HAPPENS, WE SHOULD NOT HAVE A PROBLEM MEETING OUR REVISED PROJECTION OF FIVE PERCENT. WE ARE EXPECTING NEXT WEEK, NEXT WEDNESDAY WE WILL GET INFORMATION ON THE NEXT SALES TAX STANDING. AS YOU CAN SEE ON THIS GRAPH, I'M SURE THE FEBRUARY, MAY, AUGUST AND NOVEMBER PAYMENTS ARE ALWAYS THE BIG ONES. THOSE ARE THE MONTHS WHERE WE RECEIVE THE REVENUES FROM THE QUARTERLY FILERS. SO THIS IS A BIG MONTH TO MONITOR AND WE'LL BE REPORTING TO YOU AS SOON AS WE GET THE INFORMATION FROM THE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE. WE WILL TELL YOU HOW WE DID FOR THE MONTH OF MAY PAYMENT. ONE OF THE AREAS, WHILE WE ARE SEEING A RECOVERY OVERALL IN THE ECONOMY, ONE OF THE AREAS THAT CONTINUES TO LAG BEHIND THE OVERALL RECOVERY IS IN THE TRAVEL AND HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY. IN OUR HOTEL BED TAX WE ENDED 2003 WITH JUST UNDER A THREE PERCENT GROWTH IN REVENUE. AND IN THE CURRENT YEAR, WE THOUGHT WE HAD SEEN A TURNAROUND, INCLUDING FIVE PERCENT GROWTH OVERALL IN BED TAX REVENUES, BUT WE'VE SINCE REVISED THAT TO JUST UNDER TWO PERCENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR. STILL SOME POSITIVE INFORMATION. WE ARE SEEING SOME SLIGHT GROWTH, BUT JUST NOT TO THE LEVEL OR RATE THAT WE HAD ANTICIPATED. A COUPLE OF PIECES OF INFORMATION RELATED TO THAT, THE OCCUPANCY RATE IN MARCH OF 2003, JUST UNDER 64 PERCENT. AND 2004 JUST UNDER 63%. IN ADDITION TO A LOWER OCCUPANCY RATE, WE'RE ALSO SEEING THE AVERAGE DAILY RATE FOR ROOM RENTAL TO BE SLIGHTLY LOW. FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY THROUGH MARCH OF 2004, THE AVERAGE DAILY RATE WAS \$76.54. FOR THE SAME TIME PERIOD LAST YEAR WAS \$79.42. WE ARE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING OUR NEXT QUARTERLY INFORMATION. WE'LL START TO SEE THE IMPACT OF THE NEW HILTON AND THE SOUTH BY SOUTHWEST IMPACT, WHICH ARE NOT REFLECTED IN THESE NUMBERS, NOR ARE REFLECTED IN THE GRAPH THAT YOU SEE THERE FOR HOTEL/MOTEL TAX. THE TRAVEL INDUSTRY, THE AIRPORT CONTINUES TO SEE SOME GAINS IN THEIR PASSENGER ACTIVITY, NOT AT THE LEVELS THAT WE WERE USED TO DURING THE BOOM TIME OF THE ECONOMY, BUT WE -- WE HAD ANTICIPATED GROWTH OF APPROXIMATELY ONE AND A HALF PERCENT OVERRULE

AND THE CURRENT YEAR TO DATE WE ARE AT THREE PERCENT. AND THE DEPARTMENT FEELS THAT BASED ON THE INFORMATION THEY HAVE WE'LL BE ABLE TO SUSTAIN A TWO PERCENT OVERALL GROWTH FOR THE YEAR. AND AGAIN THAT ALLOWS US TO KEEP US IN PERSPECTIVE OF WHERE WE WERE BEFORE, 7.45 MILLION PASSENGERS COMPARED TO OUR CURRENTLY PREDICTED NUMBER OF 6-POINT -- JUST UNDER 7 MILLION. THE FINAL INDICATOR I WANT TO REVIEW WITH YOU TODAY ARE HOUSING STARTS OF THE THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN TODAY'S PAPER, VERY TINY, HOUSING STARTS, YOU CAN SEE BY THE NUMBER OF SINGLE-FAMILY PERMANENTS THAT WE'VE ISSUED, 2003 COMPARED TO 2002, WE HAD A 28% INCREASE OVERALL IN THE YEAR. YEAR TO DATE WE'RE AT 32% ABOVE THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR. SO CLEARLY WE'RE SEEING AN INCREASE IN NEW HOUSING STARTS. HOWEVER, AS THE ARTICLE POINTED OUT, THERE'S KIND OF A FLIP-FLOP ON THE NUMBER OF CLOSINGS. IN ADDITION TO THAT, ONE OF THE FACTORS THAT HAS BECOME VERY EVIDENT FOR US DURING THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN WAS WE DID SEE SOME INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF REMODELING ADDITIONS AS PEOPLE DECIDE TO STAY HOME. 2003 WE DID SEE A NINE PERCENT OVERALL IN THE REMODELING AND ADDITION PERMITS. YEAR TO DATE WE ARE ACTUALLY SLIGHTLY BELOW WHERE WE HAD ANTICIPATED TO BE. THAT CONCLUDES A VERY QUICK AND BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE ECONOMIC INDICATORS WE HAVE PRESENTED TO YOU. AND I'LL TURN IT OVER TO SUE EDWARDS OR BE GLAD TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS.

MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, DUE EDWARDS, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES OFFICE. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BUDGET OFFICE QUARTERLY REPORT, THE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE PROVIDES A BRIEFING ON THE QUARTERLY ACTIVITY THAT RELATES TO THE CITY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY. TODAY'S BRIEFING INCLUDES A REPORT FROM THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND A STATUS UPDATE FROM THE CULTURAL ARTS PROGRAM. WE ARE SEEING A NUMBER OF INDICATORS THAT SUPPORT THE ECONOM'S CONTINUED SLOW RISE. THE FILING OF D/B/A'S AND SALES TAX PERMITS

AND SBA LOANS CONTINUE TO INCREASE. AND AS YOU CAN SEE BY THIS SLIDE, NEW BUSINESS START-UP ACTIVITY, WHICH WAS DOWN IN 2002, HAS BEEN ON A STEADY CLIMB THIS PAST YEAR. SBA LENDING ACTIVITY CONTINUES ITS UPWARD TREND WITH AUSTIN BUSINESSES RECEIVING 23 OF THE LOANS IN TRAVIS COUNTY THIS QUARTER, TOTALING \$16.7 MILLION. DURING THE SERC, THE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER HAS EXPERIENCED AN INCREASE IN VIEWS TO THEIR WEB PAGE. THE DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS OUT OF STATE PHONE CALLS FROM TREPS INTERESTED IN RELOCATING TO AUSTIN WANTING TO KNOW ABOUT RESOURCES OR SMALL BUSINESS START-UPS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF RELOCATING THEIR BUSINESSES. INCLUDED ON THE WEB PAGE IS A WEB PAGE LINK AND INFORMATION ABOUT 46 ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE MISSIONS INCLUDE EXISTING SMALL BUSINESSES, INFORMATION ON TRAINING AND NETWORKING EVENTS TARGETED FOR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS, DOCUMENTS AND ARTICLES ON HOW TO BID ON CITY PURCHASES AND HOW TO START A RESTAURANT PURCHASE, AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON STARTING YOUR OWN BUSINESS. IT LISTS THE PROJECTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE IN THE ONLINE PLAN ROOM AND PROVIDES GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF MEETING AND TRAINING ROOMS AND THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN GENERAL. OUTREACH IS A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM'S MISSION. WE REACHED OVER 3500 BUSINESS OWNERS DURING THIS QUARTER BY PROVIDING INFORMATION BOOTHS AT CONFERENCES, CONDUCTING NETWORKING SESSIONS FOR SMALL CRRS AND BY -- CONTRACTORS AND BY GIVING PRESENTATIONS TO ORGANIZATIONS. MOVING ON TO THE ONLINE PLAN ROOM, THE MONETARY VALUE OF CONTRACTS AWARDED TO ONLINE PLAN ROOM CUSTOMERS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER WAS \$3.5 MILLION, COMPARED TO \$8.5 MILLION FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF FY '03. THERE WERE SEVERAL UNUSUALLY LARGE CONTRACTS LET LAST FEBRUARY RELATING TO THE AUSTIN CLEAN WATER PROGRAM, WHICH REALLY ACCOUNTS FOR THIS ANOMALY. THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF AWARDS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY AND MARCH, EXCLUDING FEBRUARY, ARE COMPARABLE BETWEEN 2003 AND 2004. THE ONLINE PLAN

ROOM'S ACTIVITY INCREASED COMPARED TO THE FIRST QUARTER AS CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY INCREASES AS WE MOVE INTO THE WARMER WEATHER. THE CUSTOMER BASE HAS GROWN BY 60% SINCE THIS TIME LAST YEAR, AND THE VALUE OF BIDS HAS INCREASED THE 48%. ABOUT HALF OF THE CUSTOMERS ARE MINORITY OWNED BUSINESSES, AND ONE IN FIVE ARE WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES. THE NUMBER OF SUBMITTED BIDS HAVE INCREASED BY 21%, AND AN ANALYSIS SHOWS THAT ONLINE PLAN ROOM CUSTOMERS ARE SUCCESSFUL WITH ONE IN SEVEN BIDS COMPARED TO THE CITY STANDARD OF ONE IN -- TO THE INDUSTRY STANDARD OF ONE IN 10. APPROXIMATELY 70% OF THE CONTRACTS AWARDED TO CUSTOMERS ARE FOR PRIVATE SECTOR PROJECTS, RESULTING IN THE CITY ADDING VALUE TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR BY ENABLING MORE COMPETITIVE, MORE COMPETITION FOR BIDS AND PRIVATE SECTOR. CITY OF AUSTIN PROJECTS REPRESENT ABOUT 20% OF THE AWARDS, WITH TRAVIS COUNTY AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES REPRESENTING THE REMAINDER. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF ONLINE PLAN ROOM RELATED CONTRACT AWARDS ON THE LOCAL ECONOMY SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN OCTOBER OF 2001. EVERY DOLLAR AWARDED TO AN ONLINE PLAN ROOM CUSTOMER CREATES \$1.50 IN RIPPLE EFFECT SALES. 40 CENTS OF EVERY CONTRACT DOLLAR CONTRIBUTES TO AN INDIVIDUAL'S SALARY. THE CONTRACT AWARDED TO CUSTOMERS REPRESENT AN AVERAGE OF 30 JOBS CREATED EVERY MONTH. THE TAXES GENERATED ANNUALLY FOR THE CITY DUE TO THESE CONTRACT AWARDS AND THEIR RIPPLE EFFECT, APPROXIMATELY \$240,000 EACH YEAR, REPRESENT THE ANNUAL SALARY OF ABOUT NINE E.M.S. PARAMEDICS OR ABOUT HALF OF THE AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY'S ANNUAL BOOK BUDGET, PURCHASING EITHER 1,616,000 HARD COVER OR 42,000 PAPER BACK BOOKS. 16,000. THIS SHOWS THE IMPACT OF THESE CONTRACTS ON THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND. AS YOU RECALL, THERE WERE FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MAYOR'S TASKFORCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON CULTURAL VITALITY AND THE CREATIVE ECONOMY THAT HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF STATUS UPDATE. IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS BE INCLUDED IN THE CITY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY.

THIS RECOMMENDATION HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED AS IT RELATES TO BOTH PROJECT BASE AND FIRM-BASED REQUESTS FOR INCENTIVE. THE SECOND RECOMMENDATION REQUIRED EXPANDING THE EXISTING SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO INCLUDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ARTISTS, MUSICIANS AND OTHER CREATIVE INDUSTRIES. THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM HAS MADE AVAILABLE VARIOUS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES, A BUSINESS SOFTWARE CLASS AS AN UPCOMING GRANT WRITING CLASS TARGETED FOR ENTREPRENEURS. IN ADDITION TO A SURVEY THAT WILL BE GOING OUT TO THE ARTS COMMUNITY, WE ARE CREATING A FOCUS GROUP TO ASSIST US IN DETERMINING OTHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEEDS. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ONE TOP SHOP, THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS WORKING TO PROVIDE BETTER COORDINATION BETWEEN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT STAFF TO ASSURE A SMOOTH, SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT ENTRY INTO THE SYSTEM. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING BROCHURES, BOOKLETS AND WEB PAGE DOCUMENTS THAT ANSWER COMMON QUESTIONS FOR PEOPLE ENTERING THE SYSTEM. WHAT ARE THE STEPS, WHAT ARE THE RULES, WHERE DO I GO? WE'RE ALSO PROVIDING A RESOURCE CENTER SIMILAR TO THE ONLINE PLAN ROOM FOR BUSINESS OWNERS TO REACH THEIR CITY DEVELOPMENT RULES, REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCES BASIC TO SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, WITH A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT STAFF TO HELP BUSINESS OWNERS IDENTIFY AND RESOLVE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS. FINALLY WE ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGE OF DEVELOPING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE THAT ALL SEGMENTS OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY ARE AWARE OF THE AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND SERVICES. WE ARE WORKING WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO STREAMLINE EXISTING ORDINANCES AND EXISTING BUSINESS OWNERS AND ENTREPRENEURS. IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES. THIS HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND IS NOW CALLED THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES LOAN PROGRAM. IN NOVEMBER OF 2003, THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDED INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEW PROGRAM TO 25 AREA BANKS, ALL OF THE CURRENT CULTURAL FUNDING

PROGRAM RECIPIENTS, THE AUSTIN MUSIC FOUNDATION, THE AUSTIN FILM SOCIETY, THE AUSTIN CHAPTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL GAME DEVELOPER'S ASSOCIATION AND THE AUSTIN TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL. FACTS ABOUT THE PROGRAM ARE ALSO BROADCAST ON THE FIVE LOCAL TELEVISION ACCESS CHAZZ ON A REGULAR -- CHANNELS ON A REGULAR AND ONGOING BASIS. THE DEPARTMENT WAS CHARGED WITH CONDUCTING AN INVENTORY OF ALL CITY FACILITIES TO DETERMINE THE AVAILABILITY OF VENUES FOR THE ARTS COMMUNITY. WE HAVE COMPLETED THE INVENTORY AND WILL PUBLISH IN JULY THIS INFORMATION WHICH WILL INCLUDE A POINT OF CONTACT, THE ASSOCIATED FEES, IF ANY, AND HOW TO SCHEDULE SPACE. WE HAVE SINCE BEEN ASKED TO INVENTORY NON-CITY OWNED FACILITIES AS PART OF A BROADER COMMUNITY CULTURAL PLANNING PROCESS. THIS INVENTORY WILL BE COMPLETED IN THE FALL. AND LASTLY, FOR YOUR INFORMATION AS IT RELATES TO ART IN PUBLIC PLACES, THIS QUARTER WE HAVE ADDED 18 WORKS TO THE CITY'S PUBLIC ARTS COLLECTION. WE HAVE 16 NEW CONTRACTS VALUED AT \$161,000. 36 CONTRACTS IN PROGRESS AND 20 ONGOING PROJECTS VALUED AT \$622,000. THE RESULT OF THIS ACTIVITY IS THE CREATION OF 48 JOBS FOR ARTISTS AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS. MAYOR, THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. EDWARDS. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? IF NOT, AGAIN, THANK YOU, MS. EDWARDS AND MR. GARZA. IT SEEMS MOSTLY ENCOURAGING, BUT SOME ARE STILL IN TROUBLE. AT THIS TIME WE'D LIKE TO WELCOME OUR FRIENDS FROM WORK SOURCE. AGAIN, WHAT WE TRY TO DO IS AS WE HEAR FROM STAFF, OUR STRUCTURAL ECONOMIC FORECAST, WE ALSO LIKE TO PARTNER WITH SOME OF OUR OTHER AGENCIES THAT ARE IEW THERE HELPING US -- OUT THERE HELPING US EITHER WITH THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND/OR CREATING LOCAL JOBS. SO WELCOME.

THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR FOR LETTING US TALK ABOUT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BECAUSE QUITE FRANKLY, THE WORKFORCE, A PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE IS THE KEY COMPONENT TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. WITH US TODAY WE HAVE SHIRLEY KNOX, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WORK

SOURCE. ANNETTE GULA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS WITH WORK SOURCE, AND MYSELF, BILL IMHOFF. I AM A BOARD MEMBER AND I COVER THE PRIVATE SECTOR OF SMALL BUSINESS. WORK SOURCE FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DO NOT KNOW WHO WE ARE, IS A BOARD OF 28 BOARDS ADMINISTERING EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SERVICES FOR TEXAS. THE FUNDING SOURCE COMES FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION AND RESPECTFULLY TO THE 28 BOARDS. OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE QUALITY WORKFORCE THAT MEETS THE CHANGING NEEDS OF EMPLOYERS AND JOB SEEKERS ENHANCING THE ECONOMIC VIABILITY AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND OF COURSE THE BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE AT SETTING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES TO ACCOMPLISH THAT MISSION. THE BOARD OVERSEES THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS, AND WE CONSIST OF 26 BOARD MEMBERS, OF WHICH THE MAYOR AND THE COUNTY JUDGE APPOINT. IN THE CAREER CENTERS WE SEE ABOUT 20,000 VISITORS A MONTH. AND OF THOSE, THOSE CONSIST OF LAID OFF WORKERS, WHICH WE DEAL WITH WITH OUR RAPID RESPONSE PROGRAM. WE MATCH EMPLOYERS TO NEW WORKERS AND WE HELP FIND PEOPLE JOBS, QUITE FRANKLY. OUR CHILD CARE IS THE LARGEST FUNDER OF CHILD -- WORK SOURCE IS THE LARGEST PROVIDER OF -- WE SUBSIDIZE CHILD CARE FOR AN AVERAGE OF 2800 CHILDREN A DAY AND WE PROVIDE QUALITY INITIATIVES SUCH AS PROVIDING CHILD CARE TRAINING TO PROVIDERS. YOUTH AT RISK IS FURTHER OUTLINED IN THE BROCHURE THAT YOU HAVE, BUT THE SERVICES THAT WE OFFER ARE CONTINUING EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES. DEVELOPING A STRONG DIVERSE WORKFORCE IS A VITAL PART OF THIS REGION'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. AND WE WORK WITH EMPLOYERS AND HELP THEIR WORKFORCE NEEDS. WE HAVE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT FOR THOSE SERVED. WE OFFER A CONFERENCE CENTER. WE BRING MORE DOLLARS INTO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH GRANTS. AND IN THOSE GRANTS WE TALK ABOUT WORKER TRAINING, WE GO AFTER CHILD CARE QUALITY PROJECTS AS WELL AS LITERACY. OUR BUDGET IS APPROXIMATELY 27 MILLION. OF THAT 27 MILLION, 51% IS CHILD CARE. 28% IS CAREER CENTERS. 10% ARE GRANTS SUCH AS THE H-1 B FWRANT THAT WE HAVE. SEVEN PERCENT IS THE BOARD AND FOUR

PERCENT IS YOU. SHIRLEY?

I'M SHIRLEY KNOX, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR WORK SOURCE. I APPRECIATE YOU TAKING THE TIME TO LET US BRIEF YOU ON THE VARIOUS EFFORTS THAT WE'RE TAKING AS FAR AS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN PARTICULAR TODAY. PRIOR TO MY JOINING WORK SOURCE FOUR YEARS AGO, I SPENT 13 YEARS AS A CHAMBER PRESIDENT IN TWO DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES, SO I HAVE A STRONG UNDERSTANDING OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WHY IT'S SO CRITICAL TO LINK BUSINESS WITH THESE JOB SEEKERS THAT WE'RE SEEING. AND OUR BOARD ALSO HAS THAT STRONG UNDERSTANDING. IT'S REALLY MOVED OUR ORGANIZATION OF THOSE LAST SEVERAL YEARS TOWARDS A STRONG EMPHASIS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERING WITH OUR VARIOUS AGENCIES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. AS YOU ALL KNOW, COSTS AND THEN AVAILABILITY OF SKILLED WORKFORCE ARE THE TWO PRIMARY FACTORS THAT COMPANIES ARE LOOKING TO RELOCATE IN AUSTIN AND OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTRY. A STUDY THAT CAME OUT LAST WEEK EVEN SHOWED THAT STRONG WORKFORCE WAS SO CRITICAL TO AN ORGANIZATION -- RIGHT AFTER INCENTIVES. WAS SO CRITICAL TO AN ORGANIZATION'S DECISION ON WHETHER OR NOT THEY WANT TO RELOCATE. FORTUNATELY AUSTIN WAS PERCEIVED AS HAVING A VERY STRONG LABOR FORCE, AND SO RIGHT NOW IT'S JUST A MATTER OF MAKING THE MATCHES. WE DO SEE 20,000 VISITORS A MONTH IN OUR CAREER CENTER. THAT'S UP FROM 10,000 A MONTH FOUR YEARS AGO. SO THERE'S BEEN AN INCREASE. WE HAVE THREE CAREER CENTERS HERE IN AUSTIN, AND THEY ARE FREE TO THE PUBLIC AND TO BUSINESSES THAT CARE TO UTILIZE THE SERVICES THAT THEY FIND THERE. IN THE BACK OF YOUR BINDERS THAT WE LEFT WITH YOU TODAY, YOU'LL FIND THE LAYOFF LIST FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS IN THERE. IT'S UNDER, I BELIEVE, THE OTHER TAB, THE LAST TAB. AND THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE LAYOFFS, WHEN YOU HAND SETON'S LAYOFF LAST WEEK, WHICH WE DO HANDLE THE RAPID RESPONSE AND WE DO OFFER VARIOUS COURSES FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE FACING A LAYOFF HAVE GONE DOWN. THERE ARE ABOUT A THOUSAND LESS THIS YEAR THAN WHAT WE SAW AT THIS TIME LAST YEAR.

WE SAW ABOUT 2400 LAST YEAR AND WE'RE ABOUT 1400 TRACKING AT THIS POINT THIS YEAR. AND DOWN SUBSTANTIALLY FROM THE PREVIOUS YEARS, WHICH IS THE GOOD NEWS. AND SO WHAT WE HAVE DONE THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS IN PARTICULAR IS LOOKED AT CREATIVE WAYS THAT WE CAN UTILIZE OUR FUNDS TO ENHANCE THE ECONOMIC VITALITY OF THIS COMMUNITY. AND OUR BOARD HAS DEVELOPED AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY. IT IS THE VERY LAST PAGE IN YOUR BINDER, IF YOU CARE TO REVIEW IT. BUT BASICALLY OUT OF OUR BUDGET, WORK SOURCE, THE BOARD BUDGETS APPROXIMATELY \$2 MILLION A YEAR FOR TRAINING SUPPORT SERVICES FOR OUR ELIGIBLE POPULATION. AN ELIGIBLE POPULATION COULD BE SOMEONE THAT LOST THEIR JOB, A DISLOCATED WORKER OBJECT IT COULD BE SOMEONE THAT'S INCOME ELIGIBLE AS WELL. SO WE DO FUND APPROXIMATELY TWO MILLION DOLLARS TO START WITH. WE HAVE MOVED APPROXIMATELY ANOTHER \$400,000 OVER TO WHAT WE CALL OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE FUND, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE UTILIZING WITH PROSPECTS THAT ARE LOOKING AT AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY. WE ARE REQUIRING IN THAT POLICY THAT THEY PAY A LIVING WAGE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THIS. WE'RE LOOKING AT \$26,000 MINIMUM SALARY. WE ARE ASKING THAT -- WE ARE PREFERRING THAT IT BE A DEMAND OCCUPATION THAT WE'RE SEEING FOR THE REASON. AND WE DO OFFER TRAINING THAT IS CUSTOMIZED AND THAT IS THE CASE THAT IT'S ON THE JOB TRAINING ON THEIR FACILITY OR TRAINING THAT THE EMPLOYER HAS CREATED SO THEY HAVE THE LUXURY OF BEING ABLE TO OFFER TRAINING THAT'S REALLY TARGETING THEIR NEEDS. IN EXCHANGE THEY POST THEIR JOBS WITH WORK SOURCE IN OUR CAREER CENTERS. WE DO THEN ALSO -- AS ONE OF THE SUPPORT NETWORK SYSTEMS IS WE'RE DOING ASSESSMENTS FOR THOSE PROJECTS. AND I'LL TALK ABOUT ONE OF THOSE THAT WAS IN THE PAPER EARLIER TODAY THAT WE ARE DOING WITH HARRIS PUBLISHING. AND WE CAN -- AND WE DO ASK THAT THEY RETAIN THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT WE HAVE PAID FOR THE TRAINING FOR AT LEAST A YEAR. WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STAFF WITH THE CHAMBER AS WELL AS THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE. AND TODAY EVEN THE ROUND ROCK CHAMBER, THEY FOUND OUT THAT PART OF THEIR

INDUSTRIAL PARK IS IN TRAVIS COUNTY, AND WE'RE KIND OF UNFORTUNATELY NARROWED DOWN TO TRAVIS COUNTY AS FAR AS OUR DOLLARS. THERE'S ANOTHER BOARD THAT SURROUND US THAT SERVES THE OUT COUNTIES. WE HAVE EIGHT PROJECTS IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS, AND WHAT YOU'LL SEE IS THE VALUE OF THIS PROJECT, SO ON THE NEXT PAGE THE PROSPECT'S CAPITAL AND THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF JOBS. SINCE AUSTIN IS NOT AVAILABLE -- IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A 4-A OR 4-B SALES TAX AS FAR AS DOLLARS A TO OFFER FOR INCENTIVES FOR TRAINING PROJECTS, THAT'S ARE ONE OF THE KEY INCENTIVE DOLLARS OUT THERE AS FAR AS TO ENTICE THEM TO RELOCATE OR EXPAND IN AUSTIN. YOU WILL SEE THE TOTAL IN KIND SERVICES IN THOSE OFFERED TO BE 61 MILLION. THAT'S BASED ON A FIGURE THAT THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION HAS CALCULATED. IT'S BASED ON 20% OF THE TOTAL SALARIES OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS. IF THEY WERE TO UTILIZE ALL OF THE SERVICES AVAILABLE IN THE WORK CENTER, POST THEIR JOBS, UTILIZE THE SCREENS, UTILIZE THE INTERVIEWING ROOMS, ETCETERA, THAT'S THE VALUE THAT THEY PUT ON THE SERVICES. THE TRAINING DOLLARS, THE ACTUAL OUT OF POCKET DOLLARS IF ALL OF THESE PROSPECTS WERE TO TAKE UP OUR OFFERS, WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$3 MILLION OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. HARRIS PUBLISHING, WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING, IS ONE OF THOSE PROSPECTS THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH. YOU'LL NOTE IN THE SECOND PAGE AS FAR AS IF YOU WANT TO APPLY THAT THEY ARE GOING THROUGH WORK SOURCE. WE ARE OFFERING UP TO \$100,000 FOR ELIGIBLE POPULATIONS THAT THEY HIRE AS FAR AS DOING THE ON-SITE TRAINING -- THEY WILL DO THE ACTUAL CUSTOMIZED TRAINING ON SITE FOR THESE INDIVIDUAL. SO YOUR DISLOCATED WORKER, YOUR INCOME ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL THAT IS LOOKING FOR A JOB AND THAT HARRIS DETERMINES IS AN APPROPRIATE FIT, WE'LL BE ABLE TO COVER OF COST OF THEIR TRAINING. AND THAT WAS AN OFFER THAT WAS MADE PRIOR TO THEM MAKING THEIR DECISION, THEIR ANNOUNCEMENT. AND WE'RE PROUD OF THAT AND THAT'S THE FIRST ONE THAT WE'RE STARTING TO PARTNER ON THAT WILL ACTUALLY MAKE THEIR ANNOUNCEMENT. IN ADDITION TO WHAT WE'RE DOING AS FAR AS OUR ACTUAL TRAINING, WE ARE DOING A

CUSTOMIZED ASSESSMENT FOR HARRIS, AND SO ONCE INDIVIDUALS ARE IDENTIFIED TO MATCH THE SKILLS THAT THEY -- THE DATABASE THAT THEY'RE LOOKING FOR, THEN WE'RE ABLE TO THROUGH OUR ASSESSMENT TOOL ACTUALLY PULL DOWN A CALL CENTER ASSESSMENT AND BE ABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S THE RIGHT FIT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AS WELL AS THE BUSINESS AND HOPEFULLY THAT'S HOW THE LONGER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO. WE ALSO -- SOME OF THE OTHER INITIATIVES THAT YOU WILL SEE IN THE NEXT YEAR IN PARTICULAR, THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF R.F.P. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT BECAME VERY EVIDENCE IN TEXAS WHEN SAN ANTONIO WAS BIDDING FOR THE TOYOTA FACILITY IS THAT SITE SELECTORS WERE NOT FINDING SITES ON TEXAS AS IT COMES TO SITE SELECTION FACTORS. AND I THINK IT'S TWO OR THREE PAGES FROM THE BACK OF YOUR BINDER YOU WILL SEE THE ACTUAL ELEMENTS OF THAT SITE SELECTION TOOL THAT THEY BID AND THEY WILL MAKE THAT DECISION SOON. THEY HAVE ANOTHER MEETING ON THAT THIS MORNING. AND THAT INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD THROUGH OUR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS SO THAT WE CAN BE COMPETITIVE AND HAVE CURRENT UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON AUSTIN AS WELL AS TEXAS SINCE SO MANY OF THE SITE SELECTION CUTS ARE MADE ON THE WEB.

IN ADDITION, WE'RE PROUD TO SAY THAT BILL ACTUALLY CHAIRED OUR SELECTIONS COMMITTEE. WE'VE SPENT THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF ENHANCING THE AUSTIN IMAGE THROUGH OUR FALLS WE MOVED IN TWO WEEKS AGO. IT IS A 38,000 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING. IT OFFERS COMMON SPACE AND TRAINING LABS FOR ENTREPRENEUR ON OTHER BUSINESS CLASSES. IT OFFERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES SUCH AS INTERVIEW ROOMS AND CUSTOMIZED ASSESSMENTS AS I NOTED. AND ALLOWING EMPLOYERS TO POST THEIR JOBS AND HIRE THROUGH WORK SOURCE. ALL OF THE SERVICES TO BUSINESS THROUGH WORK SOURCE ARE AT NO CHARGE AS FAR AS POSTING THEIR JOBS AND DOING THE MATCH AND SO FORTH. SO THAT IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THIS COUNCIL AS WELL AS OUR COMMUNITY,

WE WOULD ENCOURAGE UTILIZATION OF THOSE SERVICES BECAUSE WE HAVE A VARIETY OF EXTREMELY TALENTED INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE SEEKING EMPLOYMENT. WE WANT TO RETAIN THAT TALENT AS WE REDEVELOPMENT OUR ECONOMY. AND SO GETTING A VARIETY OF LEVELS OF POSITIONS ON THAT WEB POSTING SITE, HIRE TEXAS AND THEN WORK IN TEXAS LATER THIS MONTH, IS SO CRITICAL TO BEING ABLE TO RETAIN THAT TALENT. YOU WILL SEE SOME PHOTOS THERE OF THE NEW FACILITY. WE MOVED IN LAST WEEKEND, SO I THINK THE BOXES ARE PRETTY MUCH UNPACKED. IN ADDITION, TODAY WE HOSTED THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS FROM AROUND THE REGION AT THAT FACILITY FOR THEIR MONTHLY MEETING. THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE WAS ALSO THERE. SO WE WERE ABLE TO HIGHLIGHT THE VARIOUS SERVICES AND CONNECTIONS THAT CAN TAKE PLACE. WE'RE ALSO GOING TO OFFER FREE TECHNOLOGY TRAINING CLASSES THROUGH CAPITAL AREA TRAINING FOUNDATION AT THAT FACILITY IN THE EVENINGS. WE ARE ALSO FUNDING AS PART OF OPPORTUNITY AUSTIN THE RETENTION SURVEY THAT WILL TAKE PLACE WITH EXISTING BUSINESSES FOR UP TO \$25,000. THIS NEXT YEAR THEY WILL BE CALLING ON 50 TRAVIS COUNTY BUSINESSES FOR US AND LOOKING -- SINCE 80% OF THE GROWTH WILL COME FROM THE BUSINESSES ALREADY LOCATED IN YOUR COMMUNITY, THIS WILL BE A WAY TO IDENTIFY THE CRITICAL WORKFORCE ISSUES AS WELL AS A VARIETY OF OTHER ISSUES THAT WE ARE FACING IN THE REGION IN ORDER TO BUILD OUR ECONOMY. SO WE ARE FUNDING THAT RETENTION SURVEY. AND AS I NOTED HERE, IT'S ALREADY -- AS FAR AS ONE OF THE SUCCESS STORIES TO DATE. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] NOTED SOME OF THE OTHER OPTIONS THERE. SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS FUNDING AS IT RELATES TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WE HAVE AWARDED OVER \$300,000 FOR AN ACTUAL HOSPITALITY TRAINING PROGRAM, FOR A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS, HOSPITALITY TRAINING PROGRAMS, UNDER THE GRANT SECTIONS OF YOUR TAB. WE ARE FUNDING WORKFORCE LITERACY TRAINING, THROUGH THE WORK -- THROUGH THE LITERACY COALITION. WE ARE FUNDING THE FILM INDUSTRY AS IT RELATES TO -- TO DOING A NEEDS ASSESSMENT WITH AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AS FAR AS FIVE TO SIX KEY TRAINING AREAS THAT

THEY NEED AS FAR AS GRANT IN FILM INDUSTRY HERE IN AUSTIN. THEN I NOTED THE RETENTION SURVEY. AS BILL NOTED WE ALSO RECEIVED AN H 1 B GRANT FOR \$3 MILLION. WE HAVE PULLED DOWN IN EXCESS OF \$6.7 MILLION SINCE '01. IN EXCESS TO OUR REGULAR TWC BUDGET. THE H 1 B IS 3 MILLION OF THAT. IT FUNDS INCUMBENT WORKING TRAINING FOR LOCAL INDUSTRIES, THAT'S A PARTNERSHIP THAT WE HAVE WITH I.B.M., NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, NET SPOTS, TRIANGLE TECHNOLOGY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AS WELL AS ST. EDWARD'S. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN PULLING DOWN AN ADDITIONAL \$9.6 MILLION SINCE 2002, THAT'S IN ADDITION TO THE \$1 MILLION A MONTH THAT WE SPEND -- THAT'S PART OF THE \$1 MILLION A MONTH WE SPEND ON CHILD CARE HERE IN TRAVIS COUNTY. SO THAT \$9.1 MILLION, WHICH IS A CHILD CARE MATCH, PART OF THAT IS THE THE CITY'S, YOU SEE THAT UNDER THE CHILD CARE MATCH TAB, WE TURN AROUND AND ARE ALTO MATCH THAT WITH FEDERAL FUNDS ON A TWO TO ONE BASIS, THUS WE ARE A LOT MORE ABLE TO SERVE THE CHILDREN OF THE WORKING INDIVIDUALS WITHIN OUR REGION. IN CONCLUSION IN YOUR HANDOUT YOU WILL SEE A VARIETY OF, WE AREN'T GOING TO COVER IT ALL TODAY WITH 15 MINUTES, BUT WE GAVE YOU A HIGHLIGHT OF OUR ORGANIZATION, ALL OF THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS, OBJECT ACTIVITIES, OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, THAT'S ALWAYS A GOOD ONE AND A LOT MORE. WITH THAT WE WOULD WELCOME YOUR QUESTIONS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF OUR WORK SOURCE BOARD? COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: THANK YOU FOR THAT PRESENTATION. YOU MENTIONED THAT YOU MOVE INTO A NEW FACILITY, IS THAT CORRECT? ON SLIDE 14. AND THEN 18 YOU MENTIONED LOCATING A NEW CAREER CENTER AND THEN YOU REFERENCED A CONFERENCE CENTER AS WELL. SO ARE BOTH OF THOSE IN THAT NEW LOCATION OR ARE THOSE GOING TO BE --

THEY ARE PART OF THE SAME FACILITY SIR.

Alvarez: SO YOU JUST COMBINED.

YES. THE CAREER CENTER IS IN THAT LOCATION AS WELL AS WE HAVE A CHILDREN'S WAITING ROOM FOR INDIVIDUALS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT, WE HAVE A YOUTH CAREER CENTER IN THAT FACILITY, AS WELL AS A CONFERENCE CENTER WITHIN THAT FACILITY. THE NICE THING WITH A LOT OF EXPERTISE AND HELP FROM BILL AND HIS COMMITTEE IS THAT WE WERE ABLE TO DESIGN A FACILITY WHERE YOU CAN OPEN UP COMPONENTS OF IT WITHOUT OPENING UP THE WHOLE THING. WE CAN OPEN UP THE CONFERENCE CENTER IN THE EVENING FOR UTILITATION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ISSUES WITHOUT OPENING UP THE REST OF IT.

SO YOU JUST -- YOU ARE JUST NOW MOVING INTO THAT FACILITY AND WILL HAVE A -- SOME KIND OF A OPENING AT SOME POINT.

YES. YOU SHOULD ALL BE RECEIVING A TUBE WITH AN INVITATION IN IT IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY FOR A MAY 26th, IF THAT'S A WEDNESDAY, GRAND OPENING, THANK YOU, RAUL. [LAUGHTER]

Alvarez: THANK YOU.

UH-HUH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. KNOX, FOR THAT PRESENTATION. OUR LAST PIECE OF OUR ECONOMIC, QUARTERLY ECONOMIC BRIEFING, WE 7 TEND TO, WE WANT TO END ON A POSITIVE NOTE WITH ALL OF THESE BUILDING INTO, BUT NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A PRESENTATION FROM CAPITAL SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT, OUR PARTNERS WHO PUT ON THE VERY SUCCESSFUL AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL. I WILL RECOGNIZE MR. CHARLIE JONES. EITHER PLACE, CHARLIE.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, THANKS FOR HAVING US TODAY. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE? SOME OF OUR TEAM HERE WITH ME TODAY. FIRST OF ALL, OUR FOUNDER AND REPRESENTATIVE TO LANCE ARMSTRONG, MR. BILL STAPLETON, JODY GOOD, OUR VOLUNTEER

COORDINATOR, THE FOUNDER OF OUR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM FROM 2002 TO 2003, WHICH IS NOW FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE AT CAPITAL SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT. SHAY JONES, A CO-PRODUCER OF THE FESTIVAL WHO SPENDS MOST OF HIS TIME DEALING WITH THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AND CAPITAL METRO. AND OUR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS FROM KLRU, MAURY SULLIVAN, VICE-PRESIDENT OF MARKETING AND ED BAILEY, VICE-PRESIDENT OF [INDISCERNIBLE] MANAGEMENT. BEFORE WE GET STARTED WITH OUR SHORT PROPOSAL -- NOT PROPOSAL, BUT PRESENTATION, I WANTED TO START WITH A SHORT 15 OR FIVE-MINUTE HIGHLIGHT VIDEO FROM THE 2003 AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL. (NO AUDIO).

I'M HERE FOR THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL, PREPARING FOR IT. YOU CAN BET MY STUDENTS ARE GOING TO BE READY FOR ANY OF THE STAGES. IT'S THREE DAYS LONG, SO HYDRATION IS KEY HERE. YOU GUYS NEED TO BE THINKING A LOT BIGGER ON THIS UNWITH. THERE'S OVER 130 BANDS, HELL LOCKS THIS IS ZILKER PARK. AN AUSTIN LANDMARK.

BE PREPARED FOR REM, STRING CHEESE, DWIGHT YOAKUM AND MORE. GET YOUR TICKETS AT ACLFESTIVAL.COM. [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)] [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)] MUSIC MUSIC (music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)]

EVERYBODY WAS WAITING FOR THIS TO HAPPEN. ESSENTIALLY, I MEAN AUSTIN IS THE BIGGEST LIVE MUSIC CITY IN THE WORLD AS FAR AS SUPPORTERS OF LIVE MUSIC. AND THEY'VE HAD JAZZ FESTIVAL FOREVER, THEY'VE HAD MEMPHIS IN MAY. UM, YOU KNOW, SO LIEU AT IT THAT WAY, IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME COMING. [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)]

THE GREAT THING ABOUT THIS FESTIVAL IS IT'S SO DIVERSE. I THINK IT DEFINITELY CAPTURES THE SPIRIT OF WHAT THE SHOW HAS BEEN ABOUT OVER THE YEARS.

WE HAD SOME BRASS, SOME SOUL, A LOT OF R. AND B.

STEEL GUITAR. (music)(music) (COUNTRY MUSIC PLAYING).

I CAME TO SEE AL GREEN LAST NIGHT, MICHAEL CREEK, I WANT TO SEE BEN HARER, BUT I'M LEAVING ATTORNEY SO I WON'T GET TO SEE HIM. I WOULD HAVE PLAYED WITH HIM, TOO, BUT MAYBE NEXT TIME. [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)]

ACL HAS SUCH AN INCREDIBLE REPUTATION, THAT MAKES ANYBODY, ANYBODY FROM A MANAGER TO AN ARTIST TO A BOOKING AGENT PICK UP THEIR EAR GO, OH, YEAH I'LL LISTEN TO YOUR SPIEL AS OPPOSED TO BOB'S FESTIVAL OUT IN LULING OR SOMETHING, YOU KNOW. [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)]

THIS IS A FESTIVAL THAT'S MORE BASED AROUND A LOT OF BANDS THAT ARE BUILDING STABLE CAREERS BY DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEIR FANS. [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)]

IT'S ALL GREAT, WE WERE HONORED.

A DREAM COME TRUE.

IT'S REALLY AMAZING TO PLAY THIS FESTIVAL.

IT WAS JUST A HUGE RUSH FOR ME.

IT WAS AMAZING. I WAS -- IT WAS BETTER THAN THE TONIGHT SHOW.

220-VOLT CHARGE, JUST RAW LIKE NO OTHER VENUE. [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)]

SO THE REASON THAT WE'RE HERE TODAY IS I GUESS NOT REALLY TO MAKE A PRESENTATION, BUT TO SPEND A FEW MINUTES TO EDUCATE YOU GUYS ON WHERE THIS FESTIVAL STARTED AND WHERE WE FEEL THAT IT IS TODAY. THE CONCEPT OF THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL STARTED YEARS AGO WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT INCLUDED MYSELF, CAPITAL SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT, THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, KLRU, THE CONCEPT WAS A MUSIC FESTIVAL. WHICH -- WHICH WAS TO RAISE MONEY

AND AWARENESS FOR AUSTIN CITY LIMITS AT KLRU. TODAY WE FEEL THAT THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL IS MUCH BIGGER THAN BOTH ORGANIZATIONS. WE FEEL THAT IT IS -- A PIECE OF OUR CULTURE THAT WE SEND OUT TO THE REST OF THE COUNTRY AND THE REST OF THE WORLD. WE EXPECT THAT THE FESTIVAL WILL BE AROUND FOR MANY YEARS TO COME AND THE HANDOUTS THAT YOU DO HAVE, ONE OF THEM IS AN AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN OVERVIEW, IT'S A ONE SHEET. THE SECOND ONE IS A COLOR HANDOUT WHICH IS THE 2003 SPONSOR RECAP. THE 2003 SPONSOR RECAP IS A LITTLE BIT ON THE TIME CONSUMING SIDE, SO AT YOUR CONVENIENCE, ANY TIME AFTER THIS PRESENTATION IN THE COUNCIL MEETING TODAY, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REVIEW IT. THE -- THE ONE SHEET, THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN OVERVIEW, HAS JUST A FEW POINTS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU GUYS TODAY. UM ... THE -- THE 2004 AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 17th AND 19th AT ZILKER PARK. THE FORMAT WILL BE VERY SIMILAR TO LAST YEAR'S. OVER 130 BANDS, 8 STAGES, FOOD VENDORS, ART VENDORS, WITH AN ESTIMATE OF OVER 200,000 ATTENDEES. AS SOME OF YOU MIGHT BE AWARE THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL IS CURRENTLY ON SALE AND WITH THE ON SALE NUMBER THAT'S WE HAVE RIGHT NOW, WE ARE PROJECTING OR ACTUALLY 40% ABOVE WHERE WE WERE LAST YEAR AT THIS TIME. SO WE ARE CONFIDENTLY PROJECTING A SELLOUT IN ADVANCE. BENEFITING FROM THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL, IN 2003, 30% OF THE FESTIVAL ATTENDEES CAME FROM OUTSIDE OF AUSTIN, CONTRIBUTING MORE THAN \$11.2 MILLION TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY. WITH THE NUMBERS WE ARE PROJECTING IN 2004, THE ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION TO THE CITY SHOULD EXCEED \$13 MILLION. THE PUBLIC IMAGE, THERE'S 3 POINTS THAT WE HAVE LISTED. ONE COMES FROM JOHN HOCKENYOS, THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE TEXAS PERSPECTIVE INCORPORATION. IT'S A CONSULTING TEAM THAT YOU GUYS ARE PROBABLY VERY FAMILIAR WITH. THIS QUOTE IS IN THE SHORT TERM THE FESTIVAL BRINGS IN TOURIST DOLLARS AND THAT'S GOOD. IN THE MID TO LONG-TERM, IT INCREASES THE COMMUNITY'S VISIBILITY. IF SOMEONE IS THINKING OF RELOCATING OR MOVING THEIR

COMPANY TO AUSTIN -- MOVING THEIR COMPANY AND AUSTIN WAS A LITTLE CLOSER TO THE TOP OF THEIR LIST. WHAT THIS MEANS TO US IS THAT THE FESTIVAL HAS INCREASED THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN AUSTIN. THE SECOND QUOTE COMES FROM THE AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN: AUSTIN IS FORTUNATE ENOUGH THAT THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL FURNISHES AN ALREADY EXCITING MUSIC SCENE THAT IS THE ENVY OF THE NATION AND AROUND THE WORLD. THE FESTIVAL IS A WELCOME ADDITION THAT BRINGS EVEN MORE ENERGY AND FAME TO THIS LIVELY CITY. THE LAST QUOTE IS FROM BENJAMIN, WHO IS JUST A FESTIVAL ATTENDEE. HE SAYS I WAS REALLY IMPRESSED WITH AUSTIN. IT WAS KILLER FOOD, AMAZING MUSIC, ZILKER PARK IS SWEET, AND PEOPLE -- THE PEOPLE THAT WE MET WERE ALL VERY COOL AND FRIENDLY. CAN'T WAIT TO RETURN NEXT YEAR. UNDER SAFETY, WE WANTED TO EDUCATE YOU GUYS WITH THE -- WITH THE FESTIVAL'S HISTORY AND SAFETY. AND -- AND IN THE YEARS OF EXISTENCE, MORE THAN 225,000 PEOPLE HAVE PASSED THROUGH THE GATES. THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN TWO MILLION TRANSPORTS AND ONE ARREST. FOR ONE -- THE ONE ARREST WAS FOR A COUNTERFEIT TICKETING AGENT OUTSIDE OF THE FRONT GATE. THE QUOTE FROM JIM CHIPPENDALE, WE INSURE OVER 1500 EVENTS PER YEAR, THIS WAS ONE OF THE MOST WELL RUN AND SAFE EVENTS THAT WE HAVE EVER COVERED. WE HAVE VERY IMPORTANT VOLUNTEER SUPPORT GROUP. WE HAVE OVER 500 DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS. WE SEE THIS AS MORE OR LESS A COMMUNITY SERVICE. IT'S NETWORKING FROM -- FROM ALL TYPES OF -- FROM ALL TYPES OF PEOPLE FROM TEACHERS TO BUSINESS PEOPLE TO JUST PEOPLE THAT WANTED TO GET INTO THE FESTIVAL. OUR MARKET RESEARCH, 81% OF RESPONDENTS SAID THE FESTIVAL WAS THE IDEAL FESTIVAL. 91% SAID THAT THEY WOULD RECOMMEND THE FESTIVAL TO THEIR FRIENDS. THE AUDIENCE BELIEVED THAT THE FESTIVAL IS SIGNIFICANT MUSIC EVENT, PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO INTERACT WITH PERFORMERS AND HAS A FRIENDLY AUDIENCE. UM ... PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT THING THAT WE FEEL THAT WE HAVE SUCCEEDED IN IS OUR CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOODS. BEFORE WE RELEASED THE VERY FIRST AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL, WE CORRESPONDED

WITH THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENTS TO HAVE CLOSED DOOR MEETINGS WITH ALL OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS RELATED TO THIS ZILKER PARK AREA. WE HAVE INVOLVED THEM IN OUR PLANNING FROM TRANSPORTATION TO TICKET SALES TO ADVERTISING TOOK CARE OF THE PARK, TICKET PRICES, CONSISTENTLY WE HAVE MET THEIR SUPPORT. AS FAR AS CONTRIBUTING TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN 2003, THE FESTIVAL OR THE CITY RECEIVED MORE THAN \$145,000 IN FEES AND DONATIONS. THOSE FEES CAME FROM PARK RENTAL, PARK STAFF SERVICES, DONATIONS FROM -- ON TOP OF THE TICKET, PAYING POLICE, PAYING CLEANUP SERVICES, BUT AT NO TIME HAS THE AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL OR OUR ORGANIZATION EVER REQUESTED THAT ANYTHING COME FROM THE CITY. I GUESS THAT I WOULD LEAVE YOU GUYS WITH -- WITH ONE SMALL ASK. ACTUALLY WE HAVE THREE, BUT ONE OF THEM HAS ALREADY BEEN TAKEN CARE OF. OUR FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE PARKS DEPARTMENT, JESUS OLIVERES AND TOBY HAVE MET OUR FIRST REQUEST TO CLOSE THE STREETS THAT GO THROUGH ZILKER PARK ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON. THAT'S A HUGE WIN AND WILL HELP THE FESTIVAL SUCCEED FOR MANY YEARS TO COME. SECONDLY, WE HAVE AN UNOFFICIAL MARKETING CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR CALLED FESTIVAL FRIDAY. IF -- IF YOU GUYS HAVE CITY STAFF, FRIENDS, FAMILY, THAT -- THAT ATTEMPT TO LEAVE WORK EARLY ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, PLEASE -- PLEASE [INDISCERNIBLE] ONE OF THE FINAL THINGS THAT WE COULD ASK FOR YOU GUYS' SUPPORT ON IS WE HAVE A BASE STICKER -- TICKET PRICE OF APPROXIMATELY \$25 A DAY. AND WE HAVE TO ATTRIBUTE THAT TO SPONSORS, TO ALL OF THE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CITY THAT WE WORK WITH, WE'VE HAD -- WE'VE HAD A LARGE AMOUNT OF SUPPORT FROM THE HOTELS IN THE PAST TWO YEARS. THE HOTELS WOULD BE LESS LIKELY TO HELP US OUT WITH RATES FOR THE BANDS AND THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE THAT WE ARE BRINGING INTO TOWN AND IN THE FUTURE, WHEN YOU HAVE REQUESTS FROM THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU TO ASSIST US WITH -- WITH I WOULDN'T SAY CAPPING RATES ON HOTELS, BUT -- BUT WE HAVE A GOAL OF KEEPING THE TICKET PRICE VERY REASONABLE AND THE \$25 RANGE FOR AS MANY YEARS AS WE CAN. AND IF -- IF HOTEL RATES

SKYROCKET BEYOND OUR CONTROL, THE TICKET PRICE WILL GO UP. SO PLEASE PAY ATTENTION WHEN THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU ASKS FOR YOU GUYS HELP IN MONITORING THE HOTELS. I GUESS THE LAST THING, I JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR HAVING US TODAY AND -- AND WE HOPE WHEN YOU GET YOUR PACKETS IN SEPTEMBER TO COME OUT TO THE FESTIVAL YOU COME OUT AND HAVE A GOOD TIME. THANKS.

THANK YOU, MR. JONES. A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU GET AWAY CHARLIE. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT THE PRESALES GOING AT SUCH A CLIP AS YOU PREDICT THE SELLOUT, WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY IN YOUR OPINION OF THE FESTIVAL WHAT IS THE SELLOUT.

WELL, IT'S NOT MY OPINION, BETWEEN US, THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND ALL OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS, WE HAVE ALL AGREED THAT 75,000 PEOPLE IS A COMFORTABLE NUMBER TO PUT IN THE MARK. LAST YEAR WE HAD 65,000 ON OUR HIGHEST DAY AND WE WILL SELL IT OUT AT 75 AND NEVER WILL ASK FOR ANOTHER TICKET.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF MR. JONES?

Futrell: CHARLIE, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU AGAIN. YOUR FOLKS ARE ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH, SO NOT ONLY CAN THE CITY EXPECT ALMOST \$13 MILLION IN ECONOMIC IMPACT FROM THE FESTIVAL, BUT AS YOU HAVE SAID, I WANT TO REPEAT, YOU ALWAYS PAY YOUR FEES AND IT'S JUST SUCH A PLEASURE. WE GET ALMOST \$150,000 THAT HELP PAY FOR ALL OF THE SERVICE THAT'S WE PROVIDE TO HELP WITH THE FESTIVAL GOING ON. AND BECAUSE I AM GOING TO GET SLAMMED ABOUT THE ROAD CLOSURE, THE 75,000 PEOPLE ARE WHY WE ARE CLOSING THOSE LANES. IT JUST GOT TO BE A SAFETY ISSUE. WE WERE UNABLE TO MANAGE THAT MANY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WITH THE -- WITHOUT DOING A LANE CLOSURES. THANK YOU, CHARLIE.

ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. JONES. COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US TO OUR 4:00 ZONING HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES

AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. WITH THAT I WILL
RECOGNIZE MS. ALICE GLASGO.

GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M ALICE GLASGO. OUR ZONING CASES
FOR TODAY ARE AS FOLLOWS, AS USUAL WE WILL START
OFF WITH THOSE CASES WHERE YOU HAVE CLOSED THE
PUBLIC HEARING AND THE CASES ARE ON FOR SECOND AND
THIRD READINGS. ITEM NO. 35 IS A REQUEST TO APPROVE
AN ORDINANCE ON SECOND AND THIRD READING TO
AMENDMENT THE NORTH LOOP NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN FOR
505 AND 507 NELR YEA BOULEVARD FROM SINGLE FAMILY
RESIDENTIAL TO MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. THIS IS READY
FOR YOUR APPROVAL. ITEM NO. 36, C14-03-179, THIS CASE IS
READY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS FOR PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 505 AND 507 507 NELRAY BOULEVARD, THIS IS
THE ZONING THAT IMPLEMENTS ITEM NO. 35. THE ZONING
THAT YOU WILL BE APPROVING TODAY IS SINGLE FAMILY 3 IS
FROM SINGLE FAMILY 3 WITH A NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN
COMBINING DISTRICT TO MULTI-FAMILY 3, WITH THE
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN COMBINING DISTRICT AND THIS IS
READY FOR YOUR APPROVAL. ITEM NO. 37, C14-04-10, THIS
PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT -- ON F.M. 2222, THE CHANGE IN
ZONING IS FROM INTERIM RULE RULE TO L.O.-M.U.-C.O.,
WHICH STANDS FOR LIMITED OFFICE, MIXED USE,
CONDITIONAL OVERLAY. THIS CASE IS READY FOR YOUR
APPROVAL AND IN YOUR BACKUP WE HAVE INDICATED AT
YOUR REQUEST THAT THIS PROPERTY CAN BE APPROVED
WITH YOUR RESTRICTION OF 1,000 VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY.
THAT LIMITATION THAT YOU IMPOSED ON THIS PROPERTY IS
A LITTLE BIT HIGHER THAN WHAT CAN BE ALLOWED UNDER
THE HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY ORDINANCE. SO YOUR
LIMITATION DOES NOT LIMIT OR HAMPER THIS PROPERTY
FROM BEING DEVELOPED UNDER REGULAR SCENARIOS FOR
THE HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY ORDINANCE. SO YOUR
RESTRICTION IS APPROPRIATE. ITEM NO. 38, C14-04-2, THIS
IS A CASE THAT WAS PART OF NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. THE
APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT FOR TRACT
123 TO MAY THE 13th IN ORDER TO FINALIZE A PRIVATE
AGREEMENT. THIS IS THE APPLICANT'S SECOND REQUEST.
ITEM NO. 39, C14-03-120, THIS CASE IS LOCATED ON NORTH
HILLS DRIVE AND HART LANE. THE STAFF IS REQUESTING A
POSTPONEMENT TO MAY THE 13th, WE JUST FOUND OUT

THAT THERE'S BEEN A CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP AND WE NEED TO RECONCILE OUR DOCUMENTS TO REFLECT THE NEW OWNERSHIP. THEM NUMBER Z-1 WILL BE A DISCUSSION -- I NEED TO STOP RIGHT THERE, MAYOR. ITEM NO. 39 CONCLUDED THE ITEMS WHERE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS HAS BEEN CLOSED PREVIOUSLY.

Mayor Wynn: CORRECT, THANK YOU, MS. GLASGO. COUNCIL THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR THESE ZONING CASES WILL BE ITEM 35, 36 AND 37 CAN BE APPROVED ON SECOND AND THIRD READING, ITEMS 38 AND 39 TO BE POSTPONED TO MAY 13th, 2004. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.

SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY. I'LL SECOND -- SECONDED BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS?

MAYOR, I HAVE --

Mayor Wynn: MS. GLASGO.

ON ITEM NO. 38, MS. PHELPS JUST INFORMED ME THAT SHE WANTED A THREE-WEEK POSTPONEMENT. SHE WOULD LIKE A THREE-WEEK POSTPONEMENT. MY INFORMATION INDICATED SHE HAD ASKED FOR A ONE-WEEK POSTPONEMENT. I WAS -- IF SHE NEEDS ADDITIONAL TIME, OBVIOUSLY TO FINALIZE THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT, THAT WILL BE FINE WITH ME. I THINK THREE WEEKS WILL TAKE US TO --

REQUEST A POSTPONEMENT ON ITEM 38 TO MAY 27th, 2004.

Glasgo: IF WE HAVE A MEETING, DO WE HAVE A MEETING ON THE 27th?

> MAYOR WYNN: WE HAVE A MEETING ON THE 27th.

Glasgo: THAT WILL POST POSTPONE IT TO THE 27th OF MAY.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY IS THAT

FRIENDLY? MAYOR PRO TEM? THANK YOU. SO AGAIN, COUNCIL, THE CONSENT AGENDA MOTION ON THE TABLE AND SECONDED TO APPROVE ITEMS 35, 36, 37 ON SECOND AND THIRD READING, POSTPONE ITEM NO. 38 TO MAY 27th, 2004 AND POSTPONE ITEM 39 TO MAY 13th, 2004. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0.
NECESSARY GLASGO?

Glasgo: THIS TAKES US TO OUR 4:00 PUBLIC HEARINGS. ITEM NOS. Z-2 AND Z-2 WILL BE DISCUSSION. ITEM NO. Z-3, STAFF IS REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT TO JUNE THE 10th. AND -- THAT'S BECAUSE WE WOULD LIKE THIS TO BE HEARD WITH THE FOREGOING CASES THAT RELATED TO THE CENTRAL AUSTIN COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. ITEM NO. Z-4 STAFF IS REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT ALSO TO JUNE THE 10th, SAME THING WITH ITEM NO. 5 AND ITEM NO. 6. ITEM NO. Z-7, ONION CREEK COUNTRY CLUB, TRACT 1, LOCATED AT 2510 ONION CREEK PARK RAY, THE CHANGE IN INTERIM RULE RULE TO CR WHICH STANDS FOR COMMERCIAL RECREATION, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS TO GRANT CR-C.O. ZONING, THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-8, C14-04-45, ONION CREEK CLUB TRACT 2 LOCATED AT 2510 ONION CREEK PARKWAY, THE CHANGE IN ZONING IS FROM INTERIM RULE RULE TO CR, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS TO GRANT CR-C.O. THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-9, C14-04-46, TRACT 3, THE CLUBHOUSE FOR THE ONION CREEK COUNTRY CLUB, THE ADDRESS 2510 ONION CREEK PARKWAY, THE CHANGE IN ZONING FROM INTERIM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO CR, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT ZONING WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY. THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-10, C14-04-50 LOCATED AT 2510 ONION CREEK PARKWAY, THE CHANGE IN ZONING IS FROM INTERIM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO CR, WHICH STANDS FOR COMMERCIAL RECREATION, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS

TO GRANT THE CHANGE IN ZONING WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY. THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-11, C14-04-51, TRACT 12 OF THE ONION CREEK CLUB, LOCATED AT 2510 ONION CREEK PARKWAY, THE CHANGE IN ZONING IS FROM INTERIM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO COMMERCIAL RECREATION, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THAT CHANGE WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY AND THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-12, C14-04-52, TRACTS 4, 5, AND 6 ARE THE ONION CREEK CLUB, THE ADDRESS IS 2510 ONION CREEK PARKWAY. THE REQUESTED ZONING IS FROM INTERIM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO CR, THAT REQUEST WAS GRANTED BY THE -- RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMISSION WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY AND THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-13 IS ANOTHER ONION CREEK COUNTRY CLUB, TRACTS 7 AND 8, WITH EXISTING ZONING OF INTERIM RURAL RESIDENTIAL, THE LOCATION IS 2510 ONION CREEK PARKWAY. THE REQUEST TO CO ZONING, THE COMMISSION ADDED A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY, THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-14 IS CASE C14-04-34, OAK SHADOWS CONDOMINIUMS REZONING. THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 8515-FATHOM DRIVE AND RATON CREEK, THE CHANGE IN ZONING FROM GENERAL OFFICE WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY TO MULTI-FAMILY 2. THIS CASE IS READY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION FOR MULTI-FAMILY 2 ZONING. ITEM NO. Z-15, C14-04-33, LOCATED AT 9,000 THROUGH 9210 F.M. 969. THE CHANGE IN ZONING IS FROM DEVELOPMENT RESERVE AND SINGLE FAMILY 3 TO SINGLE FAMILY 4 A. AND GR FOR TRACT 2. THE ZONING RECOMMENDATION IS TO GRANT SINGLE FAMILY 4 A WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY FOR TRACT 1. AND G.R.-C.O. WHICH STANDS FOR COMMUNITY -- STANDS FOR COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL CONDITIONAL OVERLAY FOR TRACT 2. THIS CASE IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NO. Z-16, C14-04-38, LOCATED AT 6001 MOUNTAIN SHADOW DRIVE, THE EXISTING ZONING IS RURAL RESIDENTIAL, THE APPLICANT IS SEEKING A CHANGE TO CS, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS TO GRANT W/LO-C.O. WHICH STANDS FOR WAREHOUSE LIMITED OFFICE WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY. THIS CASE IS READY FOR FIRST READING ONLY.

ITEM NO. Z-17 IS THE -- IS THE PIONEER HILL TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT. THE FIRST ONE THAT HAS MADE IT TO YOU, COUNCIL, SINCE YOU ADOPTED THIS ORDINANCE IN 1997. IT'S OUR PLEASURE TO RECOMMEND THIS TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT PLAN TO YOU. HOWEVER, WE HAVE -- WE HAVE ONE CITIZEN WHO HAS ASKED TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS. YET LEAVE THE CASE ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. MS. TREK ENGLISH WOULD LIKE TO SHARE A FEW COMMENTS WITH YOU REGARDING DRAINAGE OF THIS PROPERTY. AND SHE WOULD LIKE TO LET YOU KNOW THAT SHE'S GOING TO PURSUE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH STAFF AND THE OWNER REGARDING DRAINAGE FOR THE AREA AND HOPEFULLY ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES BEFORE WE COME BACK FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. Z-18 WILL BE DISCUSSION. WITH THAT, MAYOR, THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION OF THE CONSENT ITEMS. BUT MS. TREK ENGLISH WILL HAVE TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS ON Z-17 AND LEAVE THAT ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Mayor Wynn: IN FACT, WE HAVE FIVE CARDS SIGNED UP FOR Z-17. SEVERAL OF THEM ARE IN FAVOR. SEVERAL ARE IN FAVOR. LET'S DO RECOGNIZE MS. TREK ENGLISH. AS PERHAPS BEING THE ONLY PERSON SIGNED UP SPEAKING AGAINST.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS TREK ENGLISH, I'M LOWER ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHEAST ACTION GROUP. I -- I WOULD LIKE TO SAY FIRST OF ALL THAT DEFINITELY I'M NOT OPPOSED TO THIS PROJECT. I THINK THAT IT'S A GREAT PROJECT AND AS YOU KNOW I'VE BEEN ASKING FOR A LONG TIME FOR US TO GET NEIGHBORHOODS AND PEOPLE IN OUR AREA RATHER THAN TRUCKING FACILITIES, LANDFILLS, SO ON. I'M NOT HERE TO OPPOSE THE PROJECT. HOWEVER I DO HAVE A SERIOUS CONCERN WITH THE DRAINAGE ISSUE BECAUSE OF THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT. IT'S SO LARGE. I'M RIGHT DOWNSTREAM FROM IT ALONG WITH SEVERAL -- SEVERAL NEIGHBORS THAT ARE CONSTANTLY BEING FLOODED. AND I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER BECAUSE SOMEHOW I THINK THERE'S A MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN WHAT WAS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED TO US IN TERMS OF DETENTION AND WHAT IS NOW BEING PROPOSED. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THIS IS

CLEAR BEFORE YOU GET TO SECOND OR THIRD READING. I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THIS IS A SMALL MAP. BUT JOE PAN PANTALION WAS HERE WITH A SLIDE SHOW NOT TOO LONG AGO, TALKING ABOUT THE CONDITIONS OF THE CREEK IN THE EASTERN AREA, THIS PROJECT, THIS YEAR THE RED AREA IS WHERE THE -- IT'S AN AREA OF TOWN WHERE THE LARGEST EROSION IS PROJECTED. THIS PROJECT WILL BE TAKING PLACE RIGHT ABOVE THIS RED AREA. ALL OF THE PEOPLE, INCLUDING ME, WHO LIVES IN THIS AREA, WILL BE AFFECTED. SO THIS IS WHY THIS -- WHY THIS DRAINAGE ISSUE IS VERY -- VERY -- IS A VERY BIG CONCERN TO ALL OF US. IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND PUTTING THIS ON THE RECORD THAT THE DRAINAGE ISSUE WOULD BE ADDRESSED BEFORE THE SECOND AND THIRD READING. I WILL WITHDRAW MY OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT. THANK YOU. MARES THANK

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. ENGLISH, THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION IS FIRST READING ONLY ON Z-17.

Glasgo: THAT'S CORRECT.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCIL WITH THAT, CHECKING WITH MS. GLASGO, THEN THE -- I'M SORRY, MS. GLASGO, SO THE FACT THAT STAFF IS REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT ON Z-3, 4, 5, 6, TO JUNE 10th 10th, 2004, I HAD HEARD THAT WAS BECAUSE THERE WAS PERHAPS SOME POSTING ERRORS ON SOME OF THE TRACTS WITHIN THE ZONING BOUNDARIES?

Glasgo: CORRECT. THERE WAS A POSTING ERROR ONLY FOR -- ON THE REZONINGINGS FOR THE WEST UNIVERSITY REZONINGINGS AND NORTH UNIVERSITY. THE HANCOCK AREA POSTING WAS CORRECT AS IT RELATES TO THE BOUNDARIES. THE AREA RELATED TO THE DESCRIPTION OF THE BOUNDARIES FOR THOSE AREAS. THE REASON FOR THE POSTPONEMENT WILL ALLOW US TO GO BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO RECTIFY THAT POSTING BY NOTIFYING EVERYBODY AGAIN AND THEN COMING BACK TO YOU TO HEAR ALL OF THEM TOGETHER.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. SO THEN WITHOUT OBJECTION, COUNCIL, THE -- THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR THESE PUBLIC HEARING ZONING CASES WILL BE ITEM Z-3, Z-4, Z-5, Z-6, TO BE P.M. POSTPONED TO JUNE 10th, 2004. ITEM Z-7, 8, 9, 10, 11,

12, 13, 14, AND 15 WILL BE APPROVED ON ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM Z-16 AND Z-17 APPROVED ON FIRST READING ONLY.

Glasgo: THAT'S CORRECT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.

SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN?

McCracken: I JUST WANTED TO MENTION SOMETHING THAT'S -- THAT'S ACTUALLY PRETTY SIGNIFICANT THIS WEEK AND MS. GLASGO ALLUDED TO THE PIONEER HILL TRADITIONAL DEVELOPMENT. THE FIRST ONE THAT THE CITY ADOPTED. EARLIER THIS WEEK VISION SCHOOL TEXAS' VISION WAS PRODUCED AND WHAT IT CALLED FOR WAS A -- WAS THAT THERE'S OVERWHELMING SUPPORT IN THIS METRO AREA FOR A CHANGE IN THE WAY THAT NEIGHBORHOODS ARE DEVELOPED FROM THE TRADITIONAL SPRAWL MODEL WHERE WE HAVE RIGID SEGREGATION OF USES AND EVERYBODY HAS TO DRIVE QUITE A DISTANCE TO DO ANYTHING TO THE WAY NEIGHBORHOODS USED TO BE, IN WHICH PEOPLE CAN WALK TO A NEIGHBORHOOD STORE AND GET AROUND EASIER. IT'S VERY FITTING THAT WE RECEIVED PIONEER HILL TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT TODAY. THIS IS A GREAT VICTORY AND I'M -- I'M REALLY APPRECIATIVE THAT THE FOLKS WHO WORKED SO HARD AND STUCK WITH THIS PROJECT, THAT THEY PROVIDE A VISION FOR WHAT THIS COMMUNITY CAN LOOK LIKE HERE IN THE COMING YEARS AS WE LOOK TO WHAT ENVISION TEXAS CAN BECOME FOR AUSTIN. THEY HELP REDUCE SPRAWL, LESS TRAFFIC THAN NORMAL NEIGHBORHOODS. ONE THING THAT WE HAVE DISCOVERED IS THAT THIS PROCESS WAS EXTREMELY ARDUOUS TO GO THROUGH. SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I HOPE THAT WE WILL LOOK AT GOING FORWARD IS WHAT LESSONS THAT WE HAVE LEARNED FROM PIONEER HILL AS A WAY TO MAKE SURE THAT -- THAT TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENTS BECOME

THE PATH OF LEAST RESISTANCE AND THE PREFERRED MODEL AS OPPOSED TO SOMETHING THAT TAKES FIVE OR SIX YEARS TO GET DONE. CONGRATULATIONS AND GREAT WORK, EVERYONE.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA?

Slusher: MAYOR, I WANTED TO ADD THE GROW GREEN AMENDMENT TO Z-16. I THINK THE APPLICANTS ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH THAT.

Mayor Wynn: COULD WE HEAR FROM THE APPLICANT IF THEY ARE AVAILABLE. MR. JIM BENNETT? WELCOME, SIR. CONFIRMATION -- TO ADD THE GROW GREEN AMENDMENT TO THE FIRST READING ONLY APPROVAL. ON Z-16.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, I'M JIM BENNETT. THE SITE IS FULLY DEVELOPED AND IT'S XERI SCAPED NOW, I BELIEVE THAT WOULD COMPLY WITH THE GROW GREEN. I WOULD NEED TO LOOK AT IT, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS IN COMPLYING WITH THE GROW GREEN PROGRAM.

Slusher: THANK YOU, MR. BENNETT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. THE AMENDMENT ON THE TABLE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? CONSENT AGENDA PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. MS. GLASGO?

Glasgo: WELL, NOW THAT THE CURTAINS HAVE BEEN DRAWN WE WILL MOVE ON TO THE NEXT ACT. [LAUGHTER]

Mayor Wynn: IS IT THAT BAD OF A ZONING CASE?

Glasgo: I'M SORRY?

Mayor Wynn: IS IT THAT BAD OF A CASE?

Glasgo: NO, IT'S NOT, IT'S INTERESTING. ITEM NO. Z-18 IS CASE NUMBER C14-04-39, THIS IS PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 290 WEST AND WILLIAM CANNON DRIVE. THIS PROPERTY IS -- HAS AN EXISTING SHOPPING CENTER. THE SHOPPING CENTER HAS -- HAS A -- A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF C.S. 1 ZONING, APPARENTLY OVER TIME AS C.S. 1 ZONING HAS BEEN GRANTED THE OWNERS HAVE NOT COME BACK INTO ADJUST OR REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF C.S. 1 ZONING AS THE NEED FOR THE C.S. 1 ZONING WAS NO LONGER NEEDED. SO THE CASE BEFORE US ASKED TO ADD YET ANOTHER ELEMENT OF C.S. 1 ZONING TO THE SHOPPING CENTER, WHICH IS CURRENTLY AT 38.1% OF C.S. 1 ZONING. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS TO DENY THE C.S. 1 ZONING DUE TO THE ABUNDANCE OF C.S. 1 ZONING WITHIN THE SHOPPING CENTER. THE RATIONALE IS THAT THE -- THAT THE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, WITHIN THE SHOPPING CENTER, SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO UTILIZE THE EXISTING C.S. 1 ZONING WITHOUT CREATING YET AN ADDITIONAL SPACE OF C.S. 1. THE -- THE -- THERE IS ONLY ONE USE WITHIN THE SHOPPING CENTER THAT NEEDS C.S. 1 ZONING. THE REST OF THE USES WITHIN THE SHOPPING CENTER, WHICH COMPRISE 33.7% OF THE SHOPPING CENTER DO NOT NEED THE C.S. 1 ZONING THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS. SO FOR THOSE REASONS, WE DO NOT RECOMMEND C.S. 1 ZONING AND I'LL BE GLAD TO RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE.

Mayor Wynn: QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL?
COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

Dunkerly: THIS AGAIN IS A -- [INDISCERNIBLE] -- WHERE I LIVE. THE C.S. 1 ZONING THAT'S CURRENTLY IN THAT SHOPPING CENTER, THE LARGEST PORTION OF IT USED TO BE A WALGREENS.

Glasgo: THAT'S CORRECT.

Dunkerly: IT IS NO A GOODWILL STORE WHICH YOU SAID

DOES NOT NEED THAT ZONING, ISN'T USING IT.

Glasgo: CORRECT.

Dunkerly: I THINK THERE'S ONE OTHER SMALL RESTAURANT THAT HAS C.S. 1 ZONING AND I DON'T BELIEVE THEY SELL THE -- THAT THEY NEED THAT ZONING, EITHER.

Glasgo: CORRECT, THEY DO NOT SERVE ALCOHOL.

Dunkerly: WHEN I LOOKED AT THE -- AT THE INFORMATION ON THIS, I UNDERSTAND THAT ONE OWNER OWNS THE WHOLE SHOPPING CENTER. AND THAT HE HAS AGREED TO ENTER INTO A NON-COMPETE CLAUSE WITH THE GENTLEMAN THAT'S TRYING TO GET THE 1400 SQUARE FOOT PUB SO THAT THERE WOULD BE NO OTHER PUBS OR NIGHTCLUBS OR WHAT HAVE YOU IN THAT SHOPPING CENTER. WOULD THAT DO ANYTHING TO -- YOU KNOW NO LONG TERM IF HE LEAVES, THAT STILL LEAVES ALL OF THE C.S. ONE ZONING THERE EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE NOT BEING USED. BUT WOULD THAT IMPACT YOUR RECOMMENDATION AT ALL?

WELL, THIS IS THE FIRST THAT I'M HEARING OF IT, OF THE PROPOSAL. SECONDLY, WHAT -- THAT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO REALLY ENFORCE. WHAT I WOULD RECOMMEND TO GIVE US SOME ASSURANCE THAT YOU WILL NOT HAVE A NIGHTCLUB OPEN, OBVIOUSLY WITH THE PRIOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT THE C.S. 1 ZONING IS NOT ABUSED, THAT YOU CONSIDER IF YOU WANT TO CONSIDER C.S. 1 ZONING FOR THIS TRACT, THAT YOU CONSIDER IT ON FIRST READING. DIRECTING THE OWNER TO FILE A NEW ZONING CASE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SHOPPING CENTER, TO ROLL BACK THE C.S. 1 TO G.R. FOR EVERYTHING THAT DOES NOT NEED C.S. 1, LET THAT CASE CATCH UP WITH THIS ONE FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. THAT'S WHAT COUNCIL HAS DONE IN THE PAST.

Dunkerly: THAT'S AGREEABLE. I WOULD LAKE TO EXPLORE IT. -- I WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE IT. IT'S JUST A VERY SMALL LITTLE SHOP, 1400 SQUARE FEET. THERE'S NOTHING -- WE HAVE NO PUBS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. I THINK IT'S A NICE ADDITION.

WE DO NOT WANT TO DEPRIVE OF YOU A PUB. [LAUGHTER]

Dunkerly: BUT I THINK THAT WOULD BE A GOOD SUGGESTION.
AT LEAST TO SEE IF IT'S POSSIBLE.

Glasgo: OKAY. I THINK IT'S POSSIBLE.

Mayor Wynn: WHY DON'T WE GO AHEAD AND OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE NORMALLY HAVE A FIVE MINUTE PRESENTATION BY THE APPLICANT. FOLLOWED BY FOLKS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR OF THIS REQUEST, THOSE AGAINST, THEN A 3 MINUTE REBUTTAL. A NUMBER OF FOLKS OR A COUPLE OF FOLKS HAVE OFFERED TIME TO ONE SPEAKER WHO IS ADVOCATING FOR. SO WHY DON'T WE OPEN IT UP WITH MR. JIM BENNETT TO GIVE THE FIVE MINUTE PRESENTATION TO BE FOLLOWED BY MICHAEL SANCHEZ. OF COURSE YOU DON'T HAVE TO USE ALL OF YOUR TIME, MR. BENNETT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. MAYOR, COUNCIL, I'M JIM BENNETT, I'M HERE TONIGHT ON BEHALF OF MIKE SANCHEZ, HE'S PROPOSING TO OPEN UP THIS 1400 INSTALL SQUARE FEET OF C.S. 1 ZONING SO THAT HE CAN BUILD A PUB AND WITH THAT SIZE PUB OBVIOUSLY YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT A NEIGHBORHOOD SIZED SITUATION. INITIALLY WE DID TALK WITH THE OWNER OF THE CENTER, MR. JACK LIEBERMAN, AFTER DISCUSSING WITH STAFF AND THEIR RECOMMENDATION, WE DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITIES OF REZONING OR DOWN ZONING SOME OF THAT EXISTING C.S. 1 ZONING. HE TOOK IT TO HIS PARTNERS AND HIS PARTNERS DIDN'T WANT TO DO THAT. NOT ONLY IS IT A TIME CONSUMING AND FINANCIAL COST FOR HIM TO DO THAT, THEY WERE JUST NOT AGREEABLE TO DOING IT. THEY DID AGREE TO ROLL BACK SQUARE FOOT FOR SQUARE FOOT OF C.S. 1 THAT WE ARE PROPOSING, THE 1400 SQUARE FEET OF ROLLING BACK 1400 SQUARE FEET OF THE C.S. 1 THAT'S NOT BEING USED. HOWEVER, COUNCIL, FOR THE AMOUNT OF C.S. 1 THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT FOR THIS PUB, 1400 SQUARE FEET, WHICH IS PROBABLY SMALLER THAN A LOT OF HOMES IN AUSTIN, IT JUST SEEMS TO BE A PROCESS TO GO THROUGH THAT WOULDN'T BE NECESSARY. MY CLIENT DOES HAVE A NON-COMPETITIVE CLAUSE. NO OTHER C.S. 1 USES WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE CENTER. IN ADDITION TO THAT, IF

YOU PUT IN A C.S. 1 SUCH AS A NIGHTCLUB IN THE -- IN THE GOODWILL STORE, THERE'S NOT SUFFICIENT PARKING TO ACCOMMODATE A NIGHTCLUB. SO FROM THE TECHNICAL ASPECT OF PARKING, YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PUT IN A -- PUT IN A NIGHTCLUB THERE EITHER. THE CENTER IS FULLY DEVELOPED. WE DON'T FEEL THAT THIS SMALL SQUARE FOOTAGE WOULD BE -- WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT OR BE DETRIMENT TO TRAFFIC IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. ON THE INTERSECTION OF WILLIAM CANNON BOULEVARD, MEDIAN STREET, HIGHWAY 71 AND 290. EXISTING FULLY DEVELOPED CENTER. AFTER THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING WE DID DISCUSS WITH A COUPLE OF THE COMMISSIONERS ABOUT SOME OF THEIR CONCERNS, SOME OF THEIR CONCERNS WERE THAT THE DOOR WOULD NEED TO OPEN TO THE WEST TOWARD THE 290 SIDE RATHER THAN TO THE - - TOWARD THE FUNERAL HOME ACROSS THE STREET AND A GOOD WAYS AWAY. WE DON'T HAVE IN PROBLEMS WITH THAT. ALSO THERE WAS A QUESTION ABOUT NEON SIGNS, WE DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS IN PROHIBITING NEON SIGNS. AND A QUESTION ABOUT AMPLIFIED SOUND. WE DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH AMPLIFIED SOUND. 1400 SQUARE FEET VERY LOUD NOISE IS NOT GOING TO -- IT'S GOING TO RATTLE YOUR EARS ANYWAY I THINK. WE'VE HAD NO OPPOSITION TO THIS REQUEST IN THE PROCESS THAT WE HAVE BEEN GOING THROUGH TO OBTAIN THIS. AND IN ADDITION AS COUNCIL KNOWS THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. OUR ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION AT A FUTURE DATE ONCE THE ZONING IS OBTAINED. SO THEN ONCE AGAIN WE WILL HAVE SCRUTINY FOR THESE OTHER ITEMS FROM THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION. I WILL BE AVAILABLE SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.

MR. BENNETT, BEFORE YOU SNEAK AWAY, SO THE -- HOWEVER THIS DID GO BEFORE THE -- REMIND IT, Z.A.P. -- CONTINGENCY CONTINGENCY OR THE -- ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION OR PLANNING COMMISSION? ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION.

HOW WAS THE DEBATE THERE AND HOW WAS THE RULING?

THERE WAS GENERAL DISCUSSION. THE LAST ISSUES THAT I

BROUGHT UP TO YOU WERE NOT DONE IN THE PUBLIC HEARING. THEY WERE AS A RESULT OF AFTER THE MEETING WAS OVER, I DISCUSSED IT WITH TWO OTHER COMMISSIONERS, MS. BAKER, MS. [INDISCERNIBLE] SHORT OF THAT THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION LOOKED AT THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION AND WENT WITH THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON IT. THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION AT THAT HEARING EITHER.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR MR. BENNETT? IF NOT WE WILL HEAR FROM FOLKS SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR. MR. MICHAEL SANCHEZ. WELCOME, SIR. LOOKS LIKE -- IS DANNY GALLETT HERE? DANNY GALLETT? HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO DONATE TIME TO YOU, MR. SANCHEZ, HOW ABOUT TONY SANCHEZ?

I BELIEVE THEY ARE IN THE ROOM.

Mayor Wynn: THEY HAVE TO BE PRESENT IN THE CHAMBER, OTHERWISE YOU ONLY HAVE THREE MINUTES.

THAT'S FINE. MR. BENNETT -- MY NAME IS MIKE SANCHEZ, THANK YOU COUNCILMEMBERS FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY, MR. MAYOR. MR. BENEFIT NET PRETTY MUCH COVERED ALL OF THE BASES ON THIS. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT IS THIS IS A VERY SMALL BUSINESS VENTURE, IT'S A FAMILY OWNED. IT'S A VERY SMALL CLUB. ONCE YOU PUT IN THE RESTROOMS AND THE OFFICE SPACE AND STORAGE ROOM, WE ARE PROBABLY TALKING MAYBE 1100 SQUARE FEET. THERE WOULD BE NO AMPLIFIED SOUND, NO LIVE MUSIC. GOING STRICTLY WITH THE JUKE BOX. ECONOMICALLY, IT GOING TO PUT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY TO WORK WITH THE PLUMBERS, ELECTRICIANS. WITHIN A MATTER OF MONTHS, I WILL BE ABLE TO HIRE A FULL STAFF OF FOUR PEOPLE. WE ARE TALKING ECONOMICS HERE FOR THAT PART OF TOWN. I'M -- I WOULD REALLY VERY MUCH LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO AUSTIN'S GROWTH IN THAT PART OF TOWN.

Mayor Wynn: GREAT, THANK YOU, QUESTIONS FOR MR. SANCHEZ? COUNCIL, WE HAVE NO CITIZENS SIGNED UP IN OPPOSITION. I DON'T GUESS MR. BENNETT NEEDS A

REBUTTAL.

I WOULD POINT OUT TO YOU THOSE TWO PEOPLE DONATING THEIR TIME IN SUPPORT OF IT THEY ARE IN THE CHAMBERS NOW.

Mayor Wynn: DANNY GALLET NOT WISHING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR, TONY SANCHEZ NOT WISHING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR. COUNCIL, QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR THE APPLICANT OR OWNER? AGENT/OWNER? IF NOT I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

MOTION MADE BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. FURTHER DISCUSSION? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. QUESTIONS, COUNCIL, COMMENTS? IF NOT I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.

Dunkerly: MOVE APPROVAL FOR [INDISCERNIBLE] [INAUDIBLE - NO MIC]

Slusher: MAYOR, I WOULD SECOND THAT BECAUSE I WANT COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO HAVE SOME ENTERTAINMENT IN HER NEIGHBORHOOD. [LAUGHTER]

Dunkerly: I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I'M NOT A [INAUDIBLE - NO MIC]

Mayor Wynn: THERE'S A MOTION ON THE TABLE. HOWEVER I THINK WE ARE ABOUT TO GET A COMMENT FROM MS. GLASGO.

Glasgo: WE ARE JUST READY FOR FIRST READING. COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY WE CANNOT HEAR YOU, I DON'T THINK YOUR MICROPHONE IS ON.

Dunkerly: OKAY. THAT WOULD BE FINE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE TO APPROVE Z-18, C.S. 1 ON FIRST READING ONLY BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER. FURTHER COMMENTS?

Goodman: MAYOR?

Mayor Wynn: MAYOR PRO TEM?

Goodman: I DON'T WANT TO BE A PARTY POOPER OR ANYTHING, BUT I REALLY THINK THAT I NEED TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO BE ON THE JUKE BOX BEFORE I CAN VOTE [LAUGHTER]

Dunkerly: MAYOR PRO TEM, IF I'M GOING THERE, IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE THE GOLDIE OLDIES.

Goodman: SOUNDS GOOD. OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0 FIRST READING. COUNCIL WE NOW OF COURSE HAVE ITEM Z-1 WHICH IS THE CENTRAL AUSTIN COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, IF I STATED THAT CORRECTLY. AND ITEM Z-2, WHICH WE CALLED THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY. WE HAVE -- APPROXIMATELY 70 FOLKS SIGNED UP ON ITEM Z-1. AND 20 SOME ODD ON ITEM Z-2. RECOGNIZING THAT EARLIER WE POSTPONED THE ACTUAL ZONING CASES RELATED TO ALL -- BOTH THIS NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND THE OVERLAY, UNTIL JUNE 10th, 2004, AGAIN WE APOLOGIZE THERE WAS A POSTING ERROR, BUT I BELIEVE THE WILL OF THE COUNCIL IS THAT WITH ALL OF THE FOLKS HERE, WE SHOULD IN FACT HAVE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THE DISCUSSION ON THE ACTUAL PLAN AND THE CONCEPT OF THE OVERLAY. BUT WE WON'T BE TAKING, ACTION, OF COURSE, ON THE INDIVIDUAL ZONING CASES. I WOULD -- I WOULD WELCOME A RECOMMENDATION, HOWEVER, KNOWING THAT WE HAVE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS FORMALLY ARE REPRESENTED BY THIS LARGER CENTRAL

AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, MY INSTINCT IS THAT -- INSTINCT IS THAT A NUMBER OF FOLKS HERE WISHING TO SPEAK PROBABLY WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT THE TECHNICALITIES OF THEIR PARTICULAR ZONING CASE. SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST OR HAVE A BRIEF DISCUSSION IS HOW WE MIGHT SORT OF BY IF YOU ARE -- BIFURCATE THE TWO ISSUES, HAVE THE FOLKS SPEAK ABOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN ITSELF, THE CONCEPT OF THE PLAN, Z-2 THE CONCEPT OF THE OVERLAY DISTRICT, BUT ACTUALLY I WOULD ASK YOU TO PERHAPS AT THIS PUBLIC HEARING NOT TO GET INTO THE INDIVIDUAL ZONING CASES OF PERHAPS YOUR INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES AND OUR YOUR NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY. WITH THAT IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR US TO CONSIDER SOME CONCEPT WHERE PERHAPS WE ALLOCATE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME, PERHAPS PER NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION, YOU KNOW, 10 OR 12 MINUTES YOU KNOW PER AND ALLOW PERHAPS THE LEADERSHIP OF THOSE INDIVIDUAL NEIGHBORHOODS TO GET TOGETHER AND THINK ABOUT WHO MIGHT SPEAK ABOUT THE CONCEPT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. AFTER OF COURSE WE HAVE A DETAILED STAFF PRESENTATION ABOUT THE PLAN. THEN SAVE THE ACTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND THE SPECIFIC DIALOGUES BECAUSE IT DOES GET QUITE DETAILED REGARDING THE INDIVIDUAL ZONING CASES. SO I -- THE CHAIR WILL WELCOME AND ENTERTAIN A RECOMMENDATION. THE KNOWING AT 5:30 WE WILL BREAK FOR APPROXIMATELY A HALF HOUR WHILE WE DO OUR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken?

McCracken: I WOULD SUGGEST, AS I UNDERSTAND WE HAVE PRETTY EXTENSIVE STAFF PRESENTATION, THEN WE HAVE 5:30 LIVE MUSIC, PROCLAMATIONS THAT PERHAPS WE CAN TAKE IT INTO THE NEXT HOUR TO HAVE EVERYONE HERE DECIDE IF THERE'S A WAY TO ALLOCATE TIME. IF NOT WE CAN PERHAPS COME UP WITH AN IDEA OF A WAY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AND FOCUS ON THE PLAN THIS EVENING. MAYBE TAKE UP THE ISSUE OF ANY TIME LIMITS SAY AT 6:00 WHEN WE FINISH.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. MS. GLASGO, IS IT ANTICIPATED THAT THE ACTUAL STAFF PRESENTATION ON THE COMBINED

CENTRAL AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, I DON'T KNOW IF I SAID THAT CORRECTLY, IS -- I SUSPECT THAT IT'S RELATIVELY LENGTHY. WE CAN -- 20 MINUTES, FAIRLY BRIEF FOR EACH ITEM 10 TO 15.

Slusher: I WOULD THINK THAT IF PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE ASKED TO, YOU KNOW, ORGANIZE PRESENTATIONS FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME, ON THE SPOT, SO TO SPEAK, THAT WE OUGHT TO DETERMINE THAT BEFORE OUR BREAK AND GIVE THEM -- DURING THE BREAK THAT WILL GIVE THEM SOME TIME TO ORGANIZE IT. HOW MANY -- HOW MANY DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

Glasgo: TALKING ABOUT 8 NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS.

Slusher: SO -- AND HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK OVERALL, MAYOR?

APPROXIMATELY 70 ON Z-1. 70 CARD, PERHAPS NOT EVERYBODY ACTUALLY SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK.

Slusher: EITHER 10 OR 15 MINUTES PER NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP?

Mayor Wynn: 10 MINUTES PER WOULD BE AN 80 80 MINUTE PUBLIC DISCUSSION AFTER --

Slusher: THAT'S AN HOUR AND A HALF, PLUS THE ZONING HEARINGS NEXT WEEK. THAT'S THE ONLY THING THAT I WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THAT WE HAVE A 7 OR 8 HOUR HEARING TONIGHT AND THEN WE HAVE THE SAME LENGTH OF TIME ON THE SAME SUBJECT NEXT TIME.

Mayor Wynn: IF YOU DON'T MIND THEN COUNCIL, WITHOUT OBJECTION, WHY DON'T WE START THE STAFF PRESENTATION AND IN THE MEANTIME A COUPLE OF OUR STAFF MEMBERS, WHO ARE FLOATING AROUND THE ROOM, LIKELY COULD -- COULD TOUCH BASE WITH SOME OF THE -- WITH SOME OF -- SOME OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP THAT WE HAPPEN TO KNOW, AND SEE IF THAT -- IF THAT CONCEPT I -- GET SOME TRACTION BY THE TIME THE STAFF STARTS THE PRESENTATION, LIKELY WE WILL BE

GOING INTO THE 5:30 BREAK AT THAT TIME. WITHOUT OBJECTION, COUNCIL, LET'S HEAR FROM THE STAFF PRESENTATION OF THE COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. ITEM -- CALL UP ITEM Z-1. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

I'D LIKE TO GET TO THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY AND THE SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION. THE CENTRAL AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, AS YOU KNOW, IS A VERY HISTORIC AREA. IT'S ONE OF THE OLDEST AREAS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. AND WE'VE GATHERED SOME PHOTOGRAPHS TO SHOW YOU. THIS HERE IS A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE HERITAGE HOUSE BUILT ABOUT 1840'S. WE HAVE THE NEAL COCHRAN HOUSE BUILT IN 1896 BY ABNER COOK. WE ALSO HAVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF WHEATVILLE FREEDMAN COMMUNITY, APPROXIMATELY 1867. WE HAD THE WOOTEN HOUSE BUILT IN 1898. WE ALSO HAVE ALDRIDGE PLACE. YOU CAN SEE THE INITIAL CONSTRUCTION OF HOMES IN THAT AREA IN 1920. THE DRAG, AS WE'VE COME TO KNOW, GOT ITS START IN AND AROUND 1920. AND HERE WE HAVE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE VARSITY THEATER BACK IN 1930. THE DRAG, AS YOU KNOW, IS A GATHERING PLACE, AND AN EXAMPLE WOULD BE THE U.T. HALL. WE HAVE A PHOTOGRAPH THAT WE FOUND AT THE HISTORY 70 FROM 1970. TODAY WE HAVE A VERY VIBRANT AREA, PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED. YOU SEE SOME OF OUR NOTABLE ARTWORK. I KNOW WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS ON THAT RECENTLY. THE CENTRAL AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD REALLY GREW UP AROUND A NUMBER OF CIVIC INSTITUTIONS, AND WE WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO POINT THOSE OUT. WE'VE GOT THE SAVE TEXAS, THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN STATE HOSPITAL, SETON HOSPITAL, BOTH THE CURRENT LOCATION AND THE FORMER LOCATION. ST.DAVID'S HOSPITAL. THE PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY, THE EPISCOPAL CEMETERY OF SOUTHWEST. THE HANCOCK RECREATION CENTER AND GOLF COURSE, WHICH IS KNOWN AS THE FORMER AUSTIN COUNTRY CLUB. WHICH IS REPORTED TO BE THE OLDEST GOLF COURSE COUNTRY CLUB THIS SIDE OF THE MISSISSIPPI. THEN WE LOOK TO CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, AND THERE ARE A NUMBER OF RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS IN THE AREA. THE BOUNDARIES AS YOU SEE IN THE MAP ARE LAMAR TO THE WEST, 38TH STREET TO THE

NORTH. THEN WE HEAD UP DUVAL TO 45TH, IH-35 SOUTH TO MLK, AND BASICALLY THE NEIGHBORS -- I'M SORRY, SOUTH TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS. THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING PROCESS, WE WANTED TO JUST GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF HOW OFTEN WE GOT TOGETHER TO DISCUSS THIS. BACK IN APRIL OF 2002, THE CITY COUNCIL PASSED A RESOLUTION INSTRUCTING NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING STAFF TO BEGIN WORKING WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS FROM WEST UNIVERSITY, NORTH UNIVERSITY AND HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREAS. BACK IN OCTOBER OF 2002 WE SENT OUT THE INITIAL SURVEY. ON DECEMBER SEVENTH WE HELD OUR FIRST WORKSHOP WITH ABOUT 150 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. IT WAS ONE OF THE BEST ATTENDED FIRST WORKSHOPS IN ANY OF THE PLANNING AREAS WE HAVE CONDUCTED SO FAR. IN JANUARY 2003 THROUGH OCTOBER OF 2003, WE HAD 12 PUBLIC MEETINGS. DECEMBER 2003 WE SENT OUR FINAL SURVEY OUT. JANUARY 10th, 2004, THE FINAL WORKSHOP, WHERE AGAIN IT WAS ONE OF THE BEST ATTENDED WORKSHOPS WITH OVER 200 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. AND WHILE ALL OF THOSE MEETINGS WERE GOING ON, WE ESTIMATE AT LEAST 50 MEETINGS WITH PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES THAT THEY HAD WITH THE ZONING ASSOCIATED WITH THE PLANS. AS FAR AS OUTREACH, WE DON'T HAVE THE EXACT FIGURE, BUT WE KNOW WE WILL HAVE BY THE END OF THIS PROCESS SENT OUT ABOUT 50,000 PIECES OF MAIL. THE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE IDENTIFIED AS THE WEST UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD, THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AREA PARTNERS, SHOAL CREST, HERITAGE, NORTH UNIVERSITY, EASTWOOD AND HANCOCK. TO DISCUSS THE RESIDENTIAL CHARACTER, SOME PHOTOGRAPHS IN THE WEST UNIVERSITY AREA, TYPICAL HOMES THAT YOU FIND IN EXISTENCE. WEST CAMPUS, A MIX OF SORORITY HOUSES, APARTMENTS AND SOME OF THE TOWERS YOU WOULD RECOGNIZE. SHOAL CREST AGAIN, SINGLE-FAMILY, NATURE, LOOKS LIKE COLONIALS AND BANK GA LOWS. THE HERITAGE AREA, SOME NOTABLE STRUCTURES FROM THE RESIDENTIAL AREAS THERE AS WELL. AND THE NORTH UNIVERSITY AREA, SOME OF THESE HOMES DATING BACK TO 1920 AS WE SHOWED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH -- IN THE EARLIER SLIDE. IN EASTWOOD, AGAIN, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF HOMES. AND FROM THE

HISTORIC PERSPECTIVE WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF WHERE THIS NEIGHBORHOOD HAS BEEN. WE LOOKED AT A 1920'S PHOTOGRAPH OF A HOME. I FORGOT WHAT STREET. IT'S BELLEVUE. BACK IN 1997 THIS IS THAT SAME HOME. YOU CAN SEE SOME OF THE DISREPAIR. AND THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE TODAY, SO THERE'S BEEN QUITE A BIT OF INTEREST IN REVITALIZING THESE HOMES. THE HANCOCK AREA HAS SOME RATHER UNIQUE DUPLEXES DOWN IN THE LEFT CORNER AS WELL AS SOME STATELY TIEWDER STALE HOMES THAT YOU SEE UP ON THE RIGHT-HAND CORNER. GOAL THREE WAS TO ALLOW MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT ALONG THE EXIST IS CORRIDORS. THAT IS PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED, NEIGHBORHOOD FRIENDLY, NEIGHBORHOOD SCALED AND SERVES NEIGHBORHOOD NEEDS. GOAL 4, WEST CAMPUS, SHOULD BECOME A DENSE, VIBRANT, MIXED USE AND PRED ORIENTED -- PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED COMMUNITY. GOAL FIVE IS TO ESTABLISH A SAFE ENVIRONMENT AN OPPORTUNITY TO ALL THOSE THAT TRANSPORT. GOAL 6 TO ENHANCE AND PRESERVE ALL EXISTING PARKS AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT. WE GET TO LAND USE. WEST UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA, WE -- WE'VE GOT SOME MULTI-FAMILY AREAS. WHEN WE MOVE ON TO THE UNO, WE'LL BE TALKING -- THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY, WE'LL BE TALKING INTO HOW THAT TRANSFERS INTO SOME OF THE MORE DENSE DEVELOPMENT. WE ARE LOOKING AT PRESERVING THE FAMILY -- THE SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS, THE LOWER DENSITY MULTI-FAMILY BUFFERS, THE OFFICE MIXED USE, THE MIXED USE BUILDINGS, HIGH DENSITY MIXED USE, AND THE CIVIC USES LOCATED THROUGH THE PLANNING AREA. MOVING ON TO WEST UNIVERSITY, WE HAVE FUTURE LAND USE MAP THAT LOOKS AT PRESERVING THE SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS. THE MIXED USABILITY ALONG THE CORRIDORS, THE OFFICE MIXED USE IN SOME AREAS THAT ALREADY HAVE SOME MIXED USE THERE. MULTI-FAMILY AREAS AND CIVIC USES. THE NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA, AGAIN, THE EXISTING CURRENT LAND USE, THE FUTURE LAND USE SHOWS THE PRESERVATION OF THE SINGLE-FAMILY CHARACTER. THE MULTI-FAMILY AREAS. AS MIXED USE ALONG THE CORE CORPUS CHRISTI DERS, IDENTIFY THE CIVIC USES AND ESTABLISHES AND PROMOTES PRESERVATION OF PARKS

AND OPEN SPACE. CORRIDORS. WITH REGARD TO USE IN THE HANCOCK AREA, WE HAVE THE EXISTING OR CURRENT LAND USE, OUR FUTURE LAND USE MAP, WHICH PRESERVES AGAIN THE SINGLE-FAMILY CHARACTER. THE MULTI-FAMILY AREAS. AS MIXED USE IN APPROPRIATE AREAS. AND IDENTIFIES AND PROMOTES AND PRESERVES CIVIC USES. IT ADDRESSES ALSO PRESERVATION OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACE. THAT CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATION ON THE PLAN. I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU TOO THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION AT THEIR MEETING VOTED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE PLAN 8-0 0. COMMISSIONER SPELLMAN WAS OFF THE DAIS.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. MY NAME IS MARK WALTER, NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. NOW I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER A BRIEF PRESENTATION ON THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY. THE OVERLAY IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CENTRAL AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND IT SEEKS TO CREATE AN URBAN VILLAGE IN A TRUE UPTOWN UNIVERSAL DISTRICT -- UNIVERSITY DISTRICT ACROSS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS WHILE PRESERVING AN HISTORIC SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD. HERE IT KIND OF PLACES IN CONTEXT WHERE THE UNO IS IN RELATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS IMMEDIATELY TO THE EAST, THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO THE SOUTH, AND THEN YOU CAN SEE HOW IT RELATES TO THE SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD THAT IT IS SEEKING TO PRESERVE, PARTICULARLY THE WEST UNIVERSITY, THE SHOAL CREST AND THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOODS, BUT TO A LESSER DEGREES NORTH UNIVERSITY, HANCOCK AND EASTWOODS NEIGHBORHOOD. THE PURPOSE OF THE OVERLAY IS BASICALLY THREE FOLD. IT'S TO PROMOTE A HIGH QUALITY REDEVELOPMENT IN THAT AREA GENERALLY KNOWN AS WEST CAMPUS. TO PROVIDE A MECHANISM FOR CREATING A DENSE OF LIVEABLE PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT IN THAT SAME AREA, AND AGAIN PROTECTING THE CHARACTER OF THOSE ADJACENT SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS. AND DURING THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR PLAN, THE IDEA FOR THE UNIVERSITY OVERLAY ACTUALLY CAME FROM PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY, REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE SHOAL CREST, THE HERITAGE AND THE WEST UNIVERSITY

NEIGHBORHOODS GOT TOGETHER AND DECIDED WHAT DO WE WANT TO SEE IN WEST CAMPUS? AND THAT WAS KIND OF THE BEGINNING GENESIS OF THIS WHOLE NOTION OF DEVELOPING THIS AREA AS SOMETHING MORE THAN WHAT IT IS TODAY. THE UNIVERSITY OVERLAY IS AN INCENTIVE-BASED OVERLAY. A PROJECT MAY CHOOSE TO OR NOT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PROVISION. AND IF THEY DON'T CHOOSE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PROVISION, THEY CAN STILL BUILD UNDER THEIR EXISTING ZONING AND THEY ARE STILL FREE TO ASK FOR A ZONING CHANGE IF THEY WANT TO. THIS DOESN'T SUPERSEDE THOSE ENTITLEMENTS. TO GIVE YOU A BASIC IDEA OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE OVERLAY, ON THE NORTH IT'S 29TH STREET. GOING DOWN GUADALUPE. THEN IT TAKES IN THAT LITTLE BLOCK THAT'S DOMINATED BY THE DOBIE MALL. GOES UP MLK TO SAN GABRIEL. SAN GABRIEL TO 24TH AND THEN FOLLOWS BASICALLY THE REAR PROPERTY LINE OF THE PROPERTIES BACK TO THE BLUFF THAT DOMINATES THE EAST SIDE OF LAMAR DRIVE AS YOU'RE HEADING NORTH. ONE OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN WAS TO CREATE DENSITY DISTRICTS OR HEIGHT DISTRICT THAT GOT -- STARTED OFF WITH A RELATIVELY HIGH 175 FEET IN THE INNER WEST CAMPUS DISTRICT AND THEN AS YOU WENT OUTWARD FROM THERE AS YOU STARTED TO APPROACH THE SMALLER SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS, SPECIFICALLY THE SHOAL CREST AND WEST UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOODS, THE HEIGHT OF THE BUILDINGS WOULD DECREASE SO AS TO NOT CREATE THESE LOOMING LARGE BUILDINGS OVER THESE SMALLER, MODEST SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES. ONE IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE WHOLE UNIVERSITY OVERLAY IS THE DESIGN ELEMENT. I THINK THAT'S WHAT REALLY DISTINGUISHES IT FROM JUST ABOUT ANY OTHER ZONING OVERLAY THAT WE COULD COME UP WITH IN THE PAST FEW YEARS. ONE OF THE MAJOR ELEMENTS IS TO PLANT STREET TREES. AND THIS IS A TWO FOLD PURPOSE. OF COURSE, WE'RE IN TEXAS, SO IT GETS HOT IN THE SUMMER AND THIS PROVIDES ADEQUATE SHADE. BUT ALSO CREATES A PHYSICAL AND VISUAL BUFFER BETWEEN THE STREET AND THE SIDEWALK, GIVING PEDESTRIANS SAFETY. ANOTHER IMPORTANT ELEMENT IS CREATING WIDER SIDEWALKS. THE WIDENING SIDEWALK EFFORT IN A GOOD PORTION OF WEST CAMPUS UNDERSERVES THE AMOUNT OF PEDESTRIAN

TRAFFIC THAT IS THERE. AND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS PROJECT, A DEVELOPER WOULD HAVE TO GO IN AND PUT IN THESE WIDE SIDEWALKS, AND I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT THE COST COULD RUN ANYWHERE FROM 250 TO 300 300 A LINEAR FOOT. SO THIS IS QUITE A CIVIC IMPROVEMENT THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OVERLAY. ALSO IS TO PROMOTE MIXED USE. ONE OF THE PROVISIONS IS THAT YOU CAN CREATE A MAXIMUM OF 20% COMMERCIAL ON A PROJECT BUILT UNDER UNO, AND THIS IS TO DISCOURAGE OFFICE TOWERS OR LARGE COMMERCIAL USES IN THE AREA. THIS IS DESIGNED -- THIS OVERLAY IS DESIGNED TO CREATE A RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT THAT HAS LOCAL SERVING RETAIL ON THE GROUND FLOOR. AGAIN, THIS IS SOMETHING THAT YOU MIGHT SEE ALONG RIO GRAND AS YOU GET CLOSER TO 23rd STREET. IT'S SMALLER IN SCALE. IT ADDRESSES THE STREET. THERE'S RETAIL ON THE GROUND FLOOR AND RESIDENTIAL UP ABOVE. ALSO, IT WOULD ALLOW STREET LEVEL, COMMERCIAL, PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED USES AND MULTI-FAMILY ZONED PROPERTIES. YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO DO THAT IF YOU WERE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PROPOSED ORDINANCE. ALSO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED IS TO PUT PEDESTRIAN SCALE LIGHTING IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY. AND THIS WOULD BE TO AGAIN LIGHT THE SIDEWALKS AT NIGHT, BUT IT ALSO CREATES MORE INTIMATE LIGHT AND NOT LIGHT THE ENTIRE STREET AS YOU WOULD SEE WITH A TYPICAL OVERHEAD STREET LIGHT. ALSO, THERE'S A PROVISION IN IT THAT WOULD ALLOW FOR PLAZAS AND CAFE SEATING AREAS INSIDE THE BUILDING, AND THAT WOULD AGAIN PROMOTE MORE PEDESTRIAN ACTIVITY ON THE STREET LEVEL. ANOTHER IMPORTANT ELEMENT IS ALL NORTH FACING BUILDINGS THAT WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS WOULD HAVE TO SET BACK AS THEY REACHED A CERTAIN HEIGHT. 60 FEET. AND THIS IS TO ALLOW -- TO STEP BACK THE MAPPING OF THE BUILDING SO YOU DON'T HAVE POTENTIALLY A 175 SHEER WALLS FROM THE SIDEWALK STRAIGHT UP INTO THE AIR. THIS IS TO KIND OF SOFTEN THAT AS WELL AS TO ALLOW LIGHT IN TO -- ALLOW LIGHT IN TO THE TREES THAT WOULD BE PLANTED ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ROAD. AND THE NEXT PICTURE DEMONSTRATES A BUILDING THAT WOULD REALLY -- WHAT IT REALLY MIGHT LOOK LIKE IF YOU WERE TO BUILD TO

THESE DESIGN GUIDELINES. THIS IS A BUILDING THAT I DO BELIEVE FROM PORTLAND, BUT I BELIEVE IT REFLECTS QUITE ACCURATELY WHAT A BUILDING WOULD LOOK LIKE UNDER THIS PROPOSAL. PARKING GARAGE DESIGN WAS ALSO AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT. THIS SHOULD NOT DOMINATE THE STREET SCAPE. THE PICTURE IN THE MIDDLE SHOWS A PARKING GARAGE THAT'S RECESSED UNDER A BUILDING AND THEN SOFTENED BY PLANTING AND THE BUILDING ON THE FAR LEFT. IT SHOWS HOW A RESTAURANT COULD BE PUT INTO THE CORNER TO MAKE IT A MORE PERSON FRIENDLY PLACE AS OPPOSED TO -- YES, IT'S A PARKING GARAGE FOR CARS, BUT PEOPLE CAN STILL BE HERE AND FEEL SAFE AND FEEL LIKE IT'S A PLACE THEY WANT TO BE. THE PLANNING COMMISSION LAST TUESDAY RECOMMENDED ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO THESE RATIOS, AND THAT IS ONE OF THE HANDOUTS THAT MR. GUERNSEY PRESENTED TO YOU. ALSO, IT'S ALL ABOUT DESIGN IN THIS. FROM MY EXPERIENCE IN NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING, MOST PEOPLE SAY THEY DON'T LIKE DENSITY, BUT WHAT THEY REALLY DON'T LIKE IS THAT THEY LIKE THAT WHEN YOU'RE BUILDING THESE TYPES OF BUILDINGS, YOU HAVE TO GO TO AN STREAM. WE GO -- EXTREME. WE GO TO STEPS TO MAKE SURE THE BUILDINGS ARE GOING TO BE HERE FOR A LONG TIME, GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT THIS COMMUNITY ASSETS. THIS SPEAKS TO PARKING GARAGE DESIGN, HOW THE BUILDINGS WOULD ORIENT TOWARDS THE STREET. HOW GROUND FLOOR RETAIL WOULD NEED TO BE DESIGNED. AND PARTICULARLY THE PARKING GARAGE. IT'S A KIND OF INNOVATIVE LOOK THAT THE PARKING GARAGES WOULD HAVE TO BE BUILT WITH FLAT SLABS AS OPPOSED TO TILTED SLABS. AS THE NEED FOR AN AUTOMOBILE DIMINISHED THESE SPACES COULD BE CONVERTED TO HABITABLE SPACE, BE IT RETAIL OR RESIDENTIAL USES. IN THE SPRIM BEFORE THE RULES ARE ESTABLISHED, THERE WILL BE A TEMPORARY SET OF GUIDELINES IN EFFECT TO GUIDE DEVELOPMENT THAT COMES IN BEFORE THESE RULES ARE FIRMLY ESTABLISH. WHAT DO YOU DO TO MAKE THIS A BETTER BUILDING? YOU ELIMINATE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS WITHIN THE UNO BOUNDARIES FOR DEVELOPMENT. AND PROPERTIES ALONG THE FRINGE THAT ARE -- THAT BORDER THE OUTSIDE OF THE UNO,

COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS WOULD BE IN EFFECT 75 FEET FROM THE BORDER INSIDE THE UNO DISTRICT. CONSTRUCT BUILDINGS TALLER THAN WHAT'S ALLOWED BY THE BASE ZONING. A KNEE HIGH BARRIER DEPENDING ON WHERE THE BUILDING IS. HERE IS SOME BUILDINGS, AND WHAT THIS MIGHT LOOK LIKE, GIVE YOU SOME PERSPECTIVE ON WHAT THE OVERLAY MIGHT LAW. YOU CAN SEE THE SMALL BUILDING THAT'S APPROXIMATELY WHAT A 60-FOOT BUILDING WOULD BE IN RELATION TO THE UNO, WHICH IS ADJACENT FENCE IS 175 FEET. AND THEN ADJACENT TO THAT IS THE RELATIVE HEIGHT OF THE CASTILLIAN DORM, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 237 FEET. AND THEN AJI JAY SENT TO THAT THE DOBIE MALL, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 367 FEET. AND ON THE TOP OF THE DOBIE MALL IT SHOWED THE APPROXIMATE HEIGHT OF THE U.T. TOWER IN RELATIONSHIP TO THAT BUILDING. ALSO, YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO ELIMINATE AUTO SITE AREA REQUIREMENTS, AND THAT IS THE AMOUNT OF LAND AT A SPECIFIC SITE THAT WOULD BE NEEDED FOR A SPECIFIC TYPE OF -- A TYPE OF APARTMENT UNIT, BE IT ONE, TWO OR THREE BED ONES. ALSO IT WOULD ELIMINATE THE FLOOR TO AREA RATIO REQUIREMENT, WHICH WOULD ALLOW SOMEONE TO BUILD TO THE ENVELOPE OF THE BUILDING TO MAXIMIZE THE SIZE AREA. ALSO, WE WOULD ALSO ALLOW INCREASED IMPERVIOUS COVERS. 100% IN THE GUADALUPE AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUS DISTRICT, AND THAT'S RIGHT HERE AT GUADALUPE IS BASICALLY THAT DISTRICT IS THE DRAG AS WE KNOW IT TODAY. THE INNER WEST CAMPUS AREA IS A DARK BROWN AREA. NEXT ONE. 90% IN THE OUTER WEST CAMPUS AREA. AND THEN 85% IN THE DOBIE DISTRICT. THE WATERSHED PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDED THAT -- THEY WANTED ME TO SAY THAT THE DRAINAGE AND WATER QUALITY REQUIREMENTS WILL NOT BE WAIVED UNDER THIS AND WILL BE ADDRESSED AT THE SITE PLAN STAGE IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND THAT THE CAPACITY OF THE DRAINAGE AND CONSTRUCTION AREA WILL LIKELY NEED TO BE IMPROVED TO ACCOMMODATE THE EXPECTED INCREASE IN THE IMPERVIOUS COVER IN THE AREA. THIS IS AN OLDER AREA OF TOWN AND MANY OF THE STORM SEWERS ARE NOT UP TO -- ARE IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT. IT WOULD ALSO ALLOW FOR REDUCED FRONT SETBACKS. THAT WOULD BE A

ZERO FRONT SET BACK IN THE GUADALUPE DISTRICT, AND THREE AND A HALF FEET IN ALL THE OTHER DISTRICTS. PARKING HAS BEEN AN IMPORTANT ISSUE IN THIS. STAFF RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE BASICALLY NO CHANGE IN THE RESIDENTIAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS. TALKING WITH -

- AFTER SEVERAL PRESENTATIONS TO STUDENT GOVERNMENT, WE HEARD -- I HEARD QUITE A LOT THAT STUDENTS DON'T WANT LESS PARKING. IF ANYTHING, THEY WOULD LIKE MORE PARKING. SO AS A STAFF WE DECIDED JUST TO LEAVE IT AS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE URBAN CORE. ALSO, THE STAFF REQUIRED THAT NEW AND EXISTING COMMERCIAL SITES IN THE GUADALUPE DISTRICT, SMALLER THAN 6,000 SQUARE FEET, CAN RECEIVE WAIVERS FOR PARKING MUCH LIKE IN DOWNTOWN. CURRENTLY THERE IS NO PARKING FOR GUADALUPE AND EVERY TIME YOU CHANGE IT, IT REQUIRES GOING TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT TO GRANT A VARIANCE, WHICH IS INVARIABLY GRANTED EVERY TIME, BUT A DELAY OF UP TO SOMETIMES 90 DAYS BETWEEN TENANTS AND YOU HAVE AN EMPTY SPACE SOMETIMES FOR THAT LENGTH OF PERIOD OF TIME. ALSO, NEW COMMERCIAL SITES BUILT IN THE INNER WEST CAMPUS AND THE DOBIE DISTRICT WOULD ALSO RECEIVE THOSE WAIVERS, BUT THAT WOULD BE FOR NEW COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION. IN THE OUTER WEST CAMPUS DISTRICT, IF YOU BUILD A SMALLER COMMERCIAL SITE, 2500-2500 SQUARE FEET OR LESS, YOU COULD HAVE THE SAME WAIVER TO THE PARKING REQUIREMENT. THE PLANNING COMMISSION OFFERED TWO -- THREE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THIS LAST TUESDAY. THE FIRST WOULD BE TO REASSUME THE RESIDENTIAL PARKING REQUIREMENT OF 60% OF THE CODE FOR THE ENTIRE AREA, MUCH LIKE IT IS CURRENTLY IN DOWNTOWN. AND THERE WAS ALSO A RECOMMENDATION THAT RESIDENTIAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS BE REDUCED TO 40% IF THE PROPERTY MANAGER OR THE PROPERTY DEVELOPER INSTITUTED A CAR SHARE PROGRAM FOR THAT SITE. SEVERAL ISSUES HAVE ARISEN FROM THE DEVELOPMENT -- FROM THIS PROPOSAL. IT IS THINKING THAT IT WILL PRODUCE LONGER STAFF TIME TURNAROUND ON THIS. IT IS A VERY -- MORE COMPLICATED THAN WE'RE USED TO AND CURRENTLY IS AKIN TO NOTHING LIKE WE HAVE CURRENTLY IN OUR LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE. SO INITIALLY FOR SURE

IT WOULD PROBABLY TAKE LONGER TO GET THE PROJECT SUBMITTED UNDER THIS OUT OF STAFF REVIEW. ALSO, IT COULD POSSIBLY INCREASE DEMAND ON LOCAL PARKS JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE MORE PEOPLE. MORE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO USE THE PARKS. AND THAT IS PRIMARILY IN (INDISCERNIBLE). ANOTHER ISSUE THAT HAS COME UP IS THE LONG-TERM RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE STREET TREES. AS IT IS NOW, UNDER THIS PROPOSAL THE DEVELOPER OR PROPERTY OWNER WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THESE TREES, BUT IN 20 YEARS, 30 YEARS, 40 YEARS DOWN THE LINE, WHERE WOULD THAT FALL? AND -- WHERE WOULD IT FALL? AND ALSO THERE'S AN ISSUE THAT HAS COME UP THAT MAY LIMIT SOME PUBLIC AND PRIVATE VIEWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER. THIS IS -- I DROVE AROUND LOOKING AT IT WHEN I HEARD THIS ISSUE, I DROVE AROUND LOOKING FOR PUBLIC VIEWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER. AND THE ONE VIEW I FOUND IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IMMEDIATELY WEST OF WEST CAMPUS IS AT THE INTERSECTION OF WINDSOR ROAD AND 24TH STREET. AND THERE IS THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER WHERE I COULD SEE. OTHER THAN THAT THE OTHER PUBLIC VIEWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER THAT I NOTED WOULD BE FROM THE MOPAC BRIDGE AND FROM PRETTY MUCH THE ELEVATED FREEWAY ON 183. THERE HAS BEEN A SUGGESTION THAT THIS NEW DEVELOPMENT WILL INDEED ALTER THE CHARACTER OF THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD. ALSO, THERE'S BEEN A CONCERN EXPRESSED THAT AN INCREASED SUPPLY OF NEW UNITS MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THE WEST CAMPUS AND OTHER STUDENT HOUSING MARKETS IN THE CITY. THERE IS DISCUSSION THAT THERE WILL NEED TO BE IMPROVEMENT MADE TO THE WATER FLOW TO ENSURE ADEQUATE FIRE FLOW IN THE AREA AT THESE NEW DEVELOPMENTS -- AS THESE NEW DEVELOPMENTS COME ONLINE. ALSO, THE GROUP THAT'S PROPOSING THIS OVERLAY AND TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY CAME TO AN AGREEMENT THAT AN AREA WIDE STUDY NEEDS TO BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE A TYPOLOGY OR A MASTER PLAN FOR THE EVENTUAL BUILDING OUT OF THE SIDEWALKS AND STREET FREEZE. AND ANOTHER AND WHAT THE FEELING WILL BE ON THE TRAFFIC ON THE LOCAL

INFRASTRUCTURE. CURRENTLY THERE ISN'T A MECHANISM IDENTIFIED AS TO HOW THIS WILL BE FINANCED. THERE'S ALSO BEEN A CONCERN THAT THESE TALLER BUILDINGS WOULD BE DWARFED BY SMALLER ADJACENT SINGLE-FAMILY USES AND POSSIBLY HISTORIC USES. ASSESSMENT THAT WE DID IS THAT THERE ARE 32 OF THESE PROPERTIES IN THE OUTER WEST CAMPUS DISTRICT THAT ARE USED PRIMARILY -- USED AS SINGLE-FAMILY OR DUPLEX, AND/OR HISTORICALLY ZONED. AND 14, OUT OF 291 ACRES FOR THIS TOTAL UNIVERSITY OVERLAY, THIS REFLECTS ABOUT THREE PERCENT OF THAT TOTAL LAND AREA. AND THAT IS THE END OF MY PRESENTATION.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? THAT'S TAKING UP RIGHT UP TO OUR 5:30 BREAK. WE WILL BE RECESSING HERE IN A FEW MINUTES FOR OUR 5:30 LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS AND HOPEFULLY BY THE TIME WE RECKON SEEN, USUALLY AROUND 6:00, THEN WE'LL HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING AS TO THE TIME OF THE PRESENTATION. I'M TOLD THAT SEVEN OR EIGHT NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE INVOLVED HAVE SOMEWHAT OF A SCRIPTED PRESENTATION ALREADY CREATED THAT IS APPROXIMATELY AN HOUR LONG, AND SO MY SUSPICION IS THAT BEGINNING AT 6:00 P.M., WE WILL HEAR THAT PRESENTATION AND OFFER THE FOLKS WHO MAY HAVE DIFFERENCES WITH THAT PRESENTATION TO TESTIFY BEFORE US AND THEN WE'LL FIGURE OUT HOW TO CRAFT THE REMAINING FEW MINUTES OF THE POTENTIAL PUBLIC HEARING.

Slusher: MAYOR? IF I COULD FIGURE THIS OUT FROM HERE. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT SEVEN GROUPS THAT HAVE ORGANIZED THE PRESENTATION TOGETHER, DOES THAT MEAN -- I HEARD THERE WERE EIGHT. SO IS THERE ONE GROUP THAT IS AGAINST -- ANYBODY TELL ME IF THAT'S ACCURATE DESCRIPTION?

COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER, TOWARDS THE END OF THIS PLANNING COMMISSION, THE NEW ORGANIZATION, THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION FORMED, AND THEY ARE SPECIFICALLY AGAINST THE -- FROM MY UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR POSITION, THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY AND NOT, PER SE, THE

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN ITSELF.

Slusher: WELL, WE JUST HEARD A PRESENTATION ON THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY.

THE OVERLAY IS A RESULT OF THE THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING PROCESS. AND -- THE OVERLAY WAS THE MECHANISM OR IT WOULD BE THE MECHANISM TO I AM THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN, AND THAT'S WHY THEY WERE HEARD KIND OF TOGETHER.

Slusher: OKAY. THAT MAKES SENSE. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT -- OKAY. SO THEN THE EIGHTH ONE THEN COULD HAVE THE OTHER, WHAT, 10 MINUTES? SO THEY WOULD HAVE 70 MINUTES. I UNDERSTAND IT WON'T TAKE QUITE THAT LONG. SO WHY DON'T WE GIVE -- OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: WE'LL RECKON SEEN AROUND 6:00 P.M. AND START WITH THE LONGER PRESENTATION AND ALLOW THE EIGHTH NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP TO TALK PROBABLY SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY AND WE'LL CERTAINLY ALLOW FOLKS INDIVIDUALLY WHO MAY FEEL THEY AREN'T PARTICULARLY REPRESENTED BY THE LENGTHIER PRESENTATION TO ADDRESS US AS WELL.

Slusher: DO WE HAVE ANY FOLKS HERE LIKE THAT THAT DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY ANY OF THEM? I SAW ONE HAND. THREE. OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: SO IT MIGHT VERY WELL WORK OUT TO WHERE WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY A ONE HOUR PRESENTATION BY A COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, ANOTHER 10 MINUTES BY AN EIGHTH NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP AND PERHAPS ANOTHER 12 OR 15 MINUTES BY THREE TO FIVE INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY FEEL THEIR NEED TO ADDRESS US. SO I THINK THAT'S MANAGEABLE IN THE SCHEME OF THINGS. MAYOR PRO TEM?

Goodman: COULD I ASK ONE QUESTION? I DON'T NEED IT RIGHT NOW. ON THE NEW ONE, THE WEST CAMPUS, I DON'T HAVE AN IDEA OF WHERE THEIR BOUNDARIES ARE FOR THE -
- TO IDENTIFY THEIR ISSUES IN MY MIND FROM THE AREA. SO

STAFF CAN LET ME KNOW WHERE THEIR BOUNDARIES ARE.

MAYOR PRO TEM, I'M NOT EXACTLY SURE WHERE THEY'RE BOUNDARIES ARE. I THINK IT PREDOMINANTLY INVOLVES THE WEST CAMPUS AREA, OTHER THAN THAT I'M NOT SURE OF THE SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREA THEA CLAIM AS THEIR BOUNDARIES.

Goodman: I'M TRYING TO FIND OUT IF THERE'S AN OVERLAP SO I HAVE A GOOD IDEA OF A SPECIFIC AREA.

I DO KNOW THAT THERE IS PROBABLY -- SORRY.

Goodman: YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME NOW. THAT'S OKAY.

I'M NOT WITH THAT ORGANIZATION, BUT I BELIEVE THEY OVERLAP INTO JUDGE'S HILLS AREA AND ALSO INTO SHOAL CREST, SO I THINK IT GOES ON DOWN TO 29TH AND THEN OVER TO 17TH AND GUADALUPE.

Goodman: OKAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: ACTUALLY, COUNCIL, WITHOUT OBJECTION, BEFORE WE BREAK HERE FOR THE LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS, WE CAN TAKE A COUPLE OF QUICK ACTIONS. IF YOU REMEMBER, ITEM NUMBER 33 WAS POSTED AS THE ACTION ITEM TO OUR PUBLIC DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ROBERT MUELLER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AND CATELLUS AUSTIN LLC. I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO POSTPONE THAT ITEM UNTIL MAY 13TH, 2004.

Slusher: MAYOR, I WOULD MOVE THAT AND INCORPORATE THE COMMENTS WE MADE EARLIER ABOUT THE STAFF LOOKING FOR AN EVENING PUBLIC HEARING TIME.

Mayor Wynn: CORRECT. MOTION IS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS TO POSTPONE ITEM NUMBER 33 TO MAY 13TH, 2004. FURTHER COMMENTS? ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE?

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION PASS OR A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO. I WILL ALSO ANNOUNCE THAT WE DID NOT TAKE UP ITEM NUMBER 30 AND WILL NOT TAKE UP ITEM NUMBER 30 IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT PERHAPS WHILE WE ARE ALSO RECESSED FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS, WE MAY HAVE PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH OUR ATTORNEY UNDER SECTION 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO ESSENTIALLY DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER 29 RELATED TO SUBDIVISION PLATTING IN OUR E.T.J. WE ARE NOW ON BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. THANK YOU.

WELCOME TO THE LIVE MUSIC SEGMENT OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING. TODAY WE WELCOME THE HYDE PARK STRINGS. [APPLAUSE]

FOUNDED IN 1995, THE TRADITION CONTINUES WITH GENERAL PER BARIANOF ON VIOLIN. SARAH ON VIOLA, WALLACE ON VIOLIN AND KERRY MILLER PLAYING CELLO. THESE MUSICIANS HOLD ADVANCED DEGREES IN MUSIC AND HAVE MANY YEARS IN PERFORMING EXPERIENCE, SO IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I INTRODUCE HYDE PARK STRINGS. [APPLAUSE] [APPLAUSE]

THAT WAS IN SUCH CONTRAST TO THE ZONES CASES TONIGHT. PLEASE TELL US WHERE WE CAN HEAR THE HYDE PARK STRINGS IN THE FUTURE.

YOU CAN HEAR ALL OF US PLAY MAY 22nd, PETER VAY WILL BE CONDUCTING US AT ST. STEPHENS EPISCOPAL SCHOOL. WE WANTED TO THANK YOU SO MUCH. IT WAS SUCH AN HONOR FOR US. WE PERSONALLY FEELS LIKE, IN TIMES OF CHAOS LIKE WE HAVE NOW, WE CAN HELP THAT THROUGH MUSIC AND ART. WE ALSO APPRECIATE THIS AS NATIONAL PRAYER DAY AND THAT'S PART OF THE REASON WE CHOSE TO PLAY "AMAZING GRACE." THANKS SO MUCH FOR LETTING US BE A PART OF THIS, AND WE HOPE THAT WE CAN GIVE BACK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

WE HAVE A PROCLAMATION THAT READS BE IT KNOWN THAT WHEREAS THE LOCAL MUSIC COMMUNITY MAKES MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF AUSTIN'S SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND

WHEREAS THE DEDICATED OF ARTISTS FURTHER AUSTIN AS
THE LIVE CAPITOL MUSIC CAPITOL OF THE WORLD. I
PROCLAIM TODAY MAY 6th, 2004, AS HYDE PARK STRINGS
DAY AND CALL ON ALL CITIZENS IN JOINING ME IN
CONGRATULATING THIS AWESOME TALENT IN OUR MIDST. [
APPLAUSE]

DON'T FOR GET TO CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITE,
HIDEPARKSTRINGS.com, AND IT TELLS ALL ABOUT US.

OUR FIRST PROCLAMATION, JOINED BY CHRIS LIPKI THE
DIRECTOR OF THE WATER UTILITIES, FOR NATIONAL
DRINKING WATER WEEK. THE PROCLAMATION READS. BE IT
KNOWN THAT WHEREAS WATER IS A BISQUE AND ESSENTIAL
NEED FOR ALL LIVING CREATURES AND OUR HEALTH AND
LIVING EXPENDS ON SAFE DRINKING WATER AND WHEREAS
AUSTIN CAN PRODUCE UP TO 260 MILLION GALLONS OF
DRINKING WATER PER DAY AND MAINTAINS OVER 3,000
MILES OF WATER LINES TO MOVE DRINKING WATER TO
MORE THAN 183,000 183,000 183,000 -- 183,000 HOMES AND
BUSINESSES THROUGHOUT THE CITY. AND BY HELPING TO
CONSERVE OUR VALUABLE WATER RESOURCES.
THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN
TEXAS PROCLAIM MAY 2nd AS WATER WEEK AND I CALL ON
CHRIS TO TELL US ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO OUR
COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU. NATIONAL DRINKING WATER WEEK IS TO
RECOGNIZE THE VALUE OF CLEAN, SAFE DRINKING WATER
FOR US ALL, ESPECIALLY IN AUSTIN WHERE WE'VE LONG
APPRECIATED THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE HIGH
QUALITY OF WATER WE HAVE HERE IN AUSTIN. THE AUSTIN
WATER UTILITY IS PROUD TO BE PRODUCING A -- A PART OF
PRODUCING AUSTIN'S HIGH-QUALITY DRINKING WATER.
FIRST OFF, ON BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYEES OF AUSTIN
WATER UTILITY, I WANT TO THANK MAYOR WYNN AND
MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN AND EACH OF THE COUNTS
MEMBERS FOR -- COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT
OF ALL OUR PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS TO MEET THE
MISSIONEN THAT WE HAVE AND THAT'S PROTECTING THE
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT OF
AUSTIN COMMUNITY. MOST OF US DON'T THINK TWICE WHEN
WE GO TO THE FAUCET WITH A GLASS AND GET A GLASS OF

DRINKING WATER, AND WE'RE FORTUNATE IN THIS COUNTRY AND IN THIS CITY TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT. FEW OF US KNOW WHAT ALL GOES INTO PRODUCING THAT SAFE DRINKING WATER THAT WE ENJOY SO MUCH. FROM AUSTIN'S WATER INTAKES ON THE COLORADO RIVER, THROUGH TREATMENT, STORAGE, DISTRIBUTION TO EACH HOME, BUSINESS, AND INDUSTRY, THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY IS -- OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO ENSURE THAT THE COMMUNITY'S DRINKING WATER MEETS AND EVEN EXCEEDS THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE AND FEDERAL STANDARDS FOR DRINKING WATER, AND WE HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF EXCELLENT QUALITY DRINKING WATER. THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S SUPERIOR DRINKING WATER IS IMPORTANT TO THIS AREA FOR NOT ONLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR THE CARE THAT THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY TAKES IN TREATING AND PROVIDING WATER SUPPORTS THE HEALTH AND THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY IN WAYS RANGING FROM DISEASE PREVENTION TO PREVENTION OF A FIRE AND FIRE SUPPRESSION WATERS. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE VALUE OF THE DRINKING WATER HERE IN AUSTIN IS ALMOST TOO GREAT TO PUT A VALUE ON. I WANT TO TAKE JUST A MINUTE AND SAY THANK YOU TO THE EMPLOYEES OF THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY, AND FOR THOSE OF US WHO HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING FOR AUSTIN, IN THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AND THAT WE'RE PROUD TO PROVIDE THAT SERVICE OF WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES ON A DAILY BASIS TO THE AUSTIN AREA. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

AND, NO, THIS IS NOT AN AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE FOR RUM, THIS IS MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS MONTH. I'M JOINED BY JOHN GOULD AND SOME FRIENDS OF HIS. PROCLAMATION READS BIT KNOWN WHEREAS DURING THIS SPECIAL MONTH WE URGE THE GROWING NUMBER OF MOTORCYCLISTS IN OUR STATE TO LEARN SAFE RIDING TECHNIQUES TO REDUCE MOTORCYCLE RISKS, INJURIES AND FATALITIES. WE URGE MOTORISTS TO BE AWARE OF MOTORCYCLES AND GAVE THEM THE SAME COURT SIS AS THEY DO ANYONE ELSE. THEY HAVE A RELATIVELY UNPROTECTED SITUATION AND SHARE OUR WINDY AND HILLY COUNTRY ROADS SAFELY WITH THEM. NOW, BEFORE,

I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN TEXAS DO
HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 2004 AS MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND
AWARENESS MONTH IN AUSTIN AND CALL ON MR. JOHN
GOULD TO TELL US ABOUT THE PROGRAM, THE IMPORTANCE
OF MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS BOTH AS RIDERS
AND FELLOW COMMUTERS AND ENJOYERS OF THE ROAD.
JOIN ME IN WELCOMING MR. JOHN GOULD. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MAYOR WYNN. A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO,
GOVERNOR PERRY PROCLAIMED MAY AS MOTOR VIAL
SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH. MOST RECENTLY, U.S.
SENATOR OF COLORADO, BEN NIGHTHORSE CAMPBELL
PASSED A RESOLUTION THROUGH THE U.S. SENATE
DESIGNATING MAY AS NATIONAL MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND
AWARENESS MONTH NOW AWAITING SIGNATURE OF THE
PRESIDENT. NOW MAYORS ALL ACROSS THE GREAT STATE
OF TEXAS ARE SHOWING SUPPORT BY ISSUING
PROCLAMATIONS TO THE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS IN THEIR
COMMUNITY IN A STATE AWARENESS TO BRING
MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS TO ALL OF THE DRIVING PUBLIC.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE MAYOR, STAFF,
CITY COUNCIL IN FURTHERING MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS IN
THE SHARE THE ROAD CAMPAIGN NEXT MONTH, WHICH WE
FEEL IS JUST AN EXTENSION OF THIS. WE MOST CERTAINLY
ARE GRATEFUL AND APPRECIATIVE OF THE EXTRA EFFORT
OF THE MAYOR AND HIS STAFF AND CITY COUNCIL. WE'LL BE
TRYING TO GET THE HIGHWAY SIGN FLASHING. CATCH
PHRASE, LOOK TWICE MOTORCYCLES EVERYWHERE. YOU
MAY HAVE SEEN THE BUMPER STICKERS AROUND.
EVERYONE REMEMBER THAT AND WATCH FOR THE TWO-
WHEELERS OUT THERE. THE FIRST WEEK IN JUNE WILL BE
THE THE REPUP LICK OF TEXAS MOTORCYCLE RALLY IN
TEXAS. IT'S ONE OF THE BIGGEST EVENTS IN THE STATE,
THERE WILL BE THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF
ADDITIONAL MOTORCYCLES ON THE TREATS OF -- STREETS
OF AUSTIN IN THE WEEKEND. THAT WILL BE THE FIRST WEEK
OF JUNE. I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR AND HIS STAFF FOR
THEIR TIME AND EFFORT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

I'LL NOW BE JOINED BY CITY MANAGER TOBY FUTRELL AND
THE BUDGET OFFICE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
CONGRATULATIONS THAT READS, "FOR HAVING BEEN
RECOGNIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFERS

ASSOCIATION WITH THEIR DISTINCTIVE INNOVATIVE AWARD THE CITY OF AUSTIN BUDGET OFFICE IS DESERVING OF CLAIM AND RECOGNITION. WE ARE PLEASED TO JOIN IN CELEBRATING THIS HIGH HONOR THE CERTIFICATE IS SIGNED BY ME AND LISTS ALL MEMBERS OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, AND BEFORE WE RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF AUSTIN BUDGET OFFICE, WE'D LIKE TO SAY THAT ON EACH EARLIER - - EARLIER TODAY, EACH QUARTER, WE GET A PRESENTATION FROM OUR BUDGET OFFICE ABOUT THE STATUS OF AUSTIN'S ECONOMY. TODAY'S WAS, LIKE ALWAYS, ENLIGHTENING, BUT NUMBERS HAVE GENERALLY A LITTLE BETTER, SO WE'RE ENCOURAGED BY IT, BUT MOSTLY WE'RE ENCOURAGED BY THE PROFESSIONALISM IN THE BUDGET OFFICE AND HOW MUCH WE AS ELECTED OFFICIALS AND POLICY MAKERS CAN RELY ON THEIR DATA, NUMBERS, AND THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO US AS WE SET FORTH POLICY. SO WITH THAT I'D LIKE TO HAVE AUSTIN CITY MANAGER, TO BY FUTRELL -- TOBY FUTRELL TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

I KNOW THIS IS NOT NEAR AS SEXY AS A HARLEY MOTORCYCLE RALLY, BUT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE A MOMENT IN THE SUN HERE. I DON'T THINK, SOMETIMES, THAT WE TAKE ENOUGH OF A MOMENT TO RECOGNIZE WHAT AUSTIN DOES WELL, AND SOMETIMES THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY. WHAT OUR BUDGET OFFICE WAS RECOGNIZED FOR WAS THE ONLY AWARD GIVEN IN THE STATE, AND IT'S FOR A SYSTEM THAT IS THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY. WE WERE RECOGNIZED FOR HAVING THE MOST COMPLETE AND BEST PERFORMANCE INFORMATION IN THE COUNTRY AVAILABLE TO CITIZENS AND UP ON THE WEB PAGE FOR PERFORMANCE FOR EVERY DOLLAR SPENT IN THE CITY BUDGET. NOW, THAT'S A VERY, VERY SPECIAL KIND OF AWARD. IT MEANS THE KIND OF ACCESS THAT CITIZENS IN OUR COMMUNITY HAVE TO KNOWING WHERE EVERY DOLLAR IS SPENT AND EVERY OUTCOME FOR EVERY DOLLAR, AND A VERY UNIQUE AND BROUGHT AND TALENTED GROUP OF PEOPLE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT, AND I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE RUDY GARZA, OUR BUDGET OFFICER, AND HE'S GOING TO INTRODUCE THE PEOPLE BEHIND THAT AWARD. SO RUDY. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, CITY MANAGER. DO I WANT TO RECOGNIZE --

THIS IS JUST ANOTHER SIGN OF OUR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO OPEN UP COMMUNICATION. THIS IS A ROOM FULL OF PEOPLE THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO US AND FOR WHAT WE DO, AND WE'VE BEEN DOING PERFORMANCE MEASURES TO THE LEVEL WE'VE BEEN DOING IT FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND ANOTHER SIGN OF CONTINUED COMMITMENT FOR OPEN COMMUNICATION. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE PERFORMANCE BUDGET MANAGER MIKE IRWIN. [APPLAUSE]

SHANNON SH IMSHACK IS P PER FWORMS MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT.

> NOW, I DO USE THE WORD CONSULTANT AS A CITY EMPLOY JOB TITLE NOT AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT. WE DID EVERYTHING WITH IN-HOUSE RESOURCES. THERE'S A TEAM OF PEOPLE WHO WERE NOT HERE TODAY, BUT I DO WANT TO MENTION THEM BY NAME, BRUISE NEECH, SHERRY ZISE AND BRYAN HIGH TOUR WHO, AGAIN, PUT IN COUNTLESS HOURS TO GET THE INFORMATION FOR YOU. GO TO THE CITY'S WEBSITE, FIND THE BUDGET OFFICE SITE AND CLICK ON PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT GOALS AND YOU CAN FIND ANY OF THE 4,000 PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR ANY DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY. AGAIN, THANK Y'ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

WE'RE ABOUT TO HAVE A BIG CROWD OF TEXAS SO SCHOLARS AND SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS. I'D LIKE TO ASK JEFF RICHEY TO INTRODUCE THE PROGRAM RUN BY THE AUSTIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PARTNERING WITH THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM. WITH THAT JEFFREY WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE CONCEPT AND SOME OF OUR WINNERS.

THANK YOU. GOOD EVENING, THANK YOU MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS TO HAVE THE COUNCIL AND ALL WHO ARE PRESENT. I AM JEFFREY RICHARDS AND I AM VICE PRESIDENT FOR YOUR OFFICE OF THE AUSTIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. MAY IS A MONTH OF JOY AND ANTICIPATION IN ACADEMIA BECAUSE IT'S A CULMINATION THAT REALLY COMES IN TO COMMENCEMENT TIME. AND TODAY WE CELEBRATE A VERY SPECIAL KIND OF ACHIEVEMENT, THE GREATER AUSTIN CHAMBER AND AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT WHICH THE -- IS THE LARGEST SCHOOL

SYSTEM IN CENTRAL TEXAS WITH MORE THAN 78,000 STUDENTS WHICH HAVE JOINED TOGETHER THROUGH THE TEXAS SCHOLARS PROGRAM CREATED IN 1991 TO MOTIVATE ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO TAKE THE GOOD STUFF, THE TOUGHER COURSES IN MATH, SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES, LANGUAGE ARTS, INCLUDING FOREIGN LANGUAGE, AND WE BELIEVE THAT IT PREPARES STUDENTS BETTER BY PROVIDING THE ACADEMIC FOUNDATION THAT THEY WILL NEED TO SUCCEED IN TODAY'S HIGHLY-COMPETITIVE MARKETPLACE, AND IT IS A GLOBAL MARKETPLACE. AND IN AUSTIN, TEXAS SCHOLARS WAS IMPLEMENTED BY THE GREATEST AUSTIN CHAMBER AND AISD. IN ADDITION TO THAT THERE WAS A GREEK GROUP CALLED THE TEXAS SCHOLARS TASK FORCE. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS HERE. I'D LIKE FOR THEM TO STAND IF THEY WOULD TO BE RECOGNIZED. WELL, THEY'RE ALREADY STANDING. WAVE YOUR HAND, THEN. WAVE YOUR HAND. [APPLAUSE]

WE KNOW, MAYOR WILL WYNN, THAT THE DATA SHOW THAT TAKING AND PASSING A HARDER COURSE WILL BETTER PREPARE STUDENTS FOR STANDARDIZED TESTING FOR COLLEGE COURSES AND LIFE IN GENERAL OUTSIDE OF HIGH SCHOOL. ACCORDING TO TBEC THE TEXAS BUSINESS AND EDUCATION COALITION, STUDENTS WHO OBTAIN ADVANCED DIPLOMAS EITHER WITH THE RECOMMENDED PLAN THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OR THE DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT PLAN WILL ON AVERAGE SCORE 112 POINTS HIGHER ON THE AST THAN STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE ONLY THE MINIMUM PLAN. THAT'S PRETTY SIGNIFICANT. LET ME SAY THAT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. WE UNDERSTAND THE VITAL CONNECTION BETWEEN A HIGHLY EDUCATED WORKFORCE ON THE OTHER HAND AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY ON THE OTHER. SIMPLY PUT A TALENTED WORKFORCE IN AUSTIN IS THIS REGION'S GREATEST ASSET AND IT'S OUR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE. BECAUSE OF THE GENEROUS SUPPORTERS OF OUR SPONSORS STATE FARM INSURANCE THE ROY F. AND MITT AT THIS FOUNDATION. THE K.I.T.V., AUSTIN AMERICAN STATESMAN. I.B.M., ELECTRON AMERICA, COCA COLA AND NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO HONOR THESE STUDENTS WITH A CASH AWARD. CASH IS GOOD. AND

ADDITIONALLY, THERE ARE MORE THAN 3,100 TEXAS SCHOLARS OUT OF THE SENIORS IN AISD ELIGIBLE TO BARTS PATE IN THE PROGRAM AND IN THE AWARD BUT THE 12 FINALISTS ARE AMONG YOU. I ASK THEM TO COME FORWARD BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A PICTURE. WE WANT TO WISH THEM WELL AND CONGRATULATE THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES WHO ARE HERE, THEIR FRIENDS WHO ARE HERE AND THEIR SUPPORTERS. WE WISH THEM ALL WELL. MAYOR WYNN HAS A SPECIAL AWARD TO PRESENT FOR ONE OF THESE 12, BUT AS I SAID, YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE TOP 12 OUT OF 3,100, AND I THINK THAT DESERVES APPLAUSE BY ITSELF. [APPLAUSE]

I'M WEARING AND HOLDING A MEDAL THAT EACH OF -- NOT ONLY THESE FINALISTS WILL RECEIVE BUT ALL 3100 WILL RECEIVE. IT READS TEXAS SCHOLARS WORLD-CLASS STUDENTS. WE KNOW THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO KNEELED. MR. MAYOR.

THANK YOU. THIS BEGS THE QUESTION, WHERE ARE THE YOUNG MEN IN THIS TOWN? [APPLAUSE]

IN ADDITION TO THE 12 TEXAS SCHOLARS, WE HAVE ONE SPECIAL WINNER, AND SPEAKING OF CASH AWARDS I'D LIKE TO READ THE CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IT READS "FOR HAVING BEEN AWARDED AN OUTSTANDING TEXAS SKLAR \$10,000 SCHOLARSHIP, AGAIN GABRIELLA VIDAL OF GARZA HIGH SCHOOL IS DESERVING OF PUBLIC CLAIM AND RECOGNITIONS. CONGRATULATIONS ON THIS NOTEWORTHY ACHIEVEMENT AND OUR BEST WISHES IN YOUR FUTURE EDUCATIONAL PURSUITS AND I TRUST YOU WILL COME BACK AND USE THEM IN AUSTIN, TEXAS," SIGNED BY ME, MAYOR WILL WYNN AND THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GABRIELLA VIDAL, A \$10,000 SCHOLARSHIP. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

OUR LAST PROCLAMATION THIS EVENING IS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK, AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEES THAT THE CITY MANAGER AND I WILL RECOGNIZE. I THINK WE'RE GOING TO

ASK, IF THEY CAN, IF ALL OF THEM, LIKE THE YOUNG LADIES
HERE BEFORE US, WOULD JUST STAND HERE IN FRONT OF
THE DIAS, IN FRONT OF THE CITY SEAL. WELCOME TO
EVERYBODY. [APPLAUSE]

THIS IS A DISTINGUISHED BUNCH OF PEOPLE, FOLKS, AND
MOST OF THEM ARE IN SOCKS -- WEARING SOCKS. I'LL READ
THE PROCLAMATION AND THE CITY MANAGER WILL TELL US
ABOUT THE INDIVIDUALS AND HOW THEY WERE CHOSEN
AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS AWARD. "BE IT KNOWN THAT
WHEREAS DEDICATED CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEES WORK
ON BEHALF OF OUR CITIZENS IN SUCH ESSENTIAL AREAS AS
HEALTH, RECREATION, UTILITIES, ROADS, TRANSPORTATION,
LIBRARIES, PLANNING, ZONING, EMERGENCY RESPONSE,
AND COURTS, AND WHEREAS THEY JOIN WITH OTHERS WHO
WORK IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR TO PROVIDE THE DIVERSE
SERVICES DEMANDED BY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OF THEIR
GOVT, AND -- GOVERNMENT, AND WHEREAS THIS WEEK IS
AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO
CITY EMPLOYEES WHO OFTEN GO UNRECOGNIZED FOR
THEIR SERVICE AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR CAT OF
-- QUALITY OF LIFE AND OUR GREAT CITY. SO I, MAYOR
WYNN OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN TEXAS PROCLAIM MAY 9th
2004 AS PUBLIC SERVICE WEEK. I'D LIKE THEM TO BE
RECOGNIZED, TELL US ABOUT THE AWARD AND HOW THEY
WERE CHOSEN AND WE'LL GIVE A LOT OF APPLAUSE AND
APPRECIATION TO THESE FINE SET OF IMLOAS.

TOBY.

NOW I'M GOING TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THE NAMES AND
YOU'RE GOING TO FORGIVE ME AS I BUTCH ARE FEW OF
THESE. MOST IMPORTANTLY, WE ASK DIRECTORS ALL
THROUGH CITY TO PICK PEOPLE THAT EXEMPLIFY PUBLIC
SERVICE. IN OTHER WORDS, PUBLIC SERVANTS, AND THAT'S
WHO YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU TODAY. ALL RANKS, ALL
LEVELS OF EMPLOYEES, ALL DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS, THE
KIND OF PEOPLE THAT SERVE CITIZENS IN THIS COMMUNITY
DAY IN AND DAY OUT. THEY EXEMPLIFY WHAT IT MEANS TO
BE A PUBLIC SERVANT IN THIS CITY. AND, SO, I'M GOING TO
RUN THROUGH THE NAMES. PAT HANNAH, COBE RAMIREZ,
TELLA LEGAL, DAVID PARKENSON. MELINDA VARGAS, SHA --
SF HINARD, ROSIE BAR I CAN'TBARIAS. PAMELA HOLT,

ANNETTE BOGISH. NANCY, BLIN DARKS DELIA, ZACH MOORE, LINDSAY, ANNE FRANKLIN. CANDY, GUARD FINCHER, MAX MOORE, SENED A-ROD READINGS, SUSAN JANET, LUCY STAN, ROSIE TRUE LOVE, DAVID WILSONEN, CARLOS CARDONA. FAWN JACKSON, JANE RENA, MOORE. McARVER. AMELIA CON GOLS FLORES, AND I THINK THE I.S.D. NAMES ARE LEFT OFF OF THIS. DO I HAVE MY THREE FOLKS FROM INFORMATION SYSTEMS? HOLLER OUT THOSE NAMES FOR ME. NEVER MIND. THEY GAVE ME A LIST. FAITHFUL JASON. JASON SHOULD BE STANDING UP THERE. MARY LOU McCARVEER, RALPH WARREN AND GARY AL HELP, AND IF YOU'LL GIVE THESE FOLKS A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. MAWZ [APPLAUSE]

IA THANK YOU ALL ENOUGH. MY HEROES. THANKS AGAIN. HOW ABOUT A PICTURE WITH THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN? LET'S DO MORE. ONE MORE TIME. .

I CALL BACK TO ORDER THE COUNCIL. WE HAVE TAKEN UP STAFF PRESENTATION OF Z-1 AND Z-2. WE OPENED THOSE PUBLIC HEARINGS SIMULTANEOUSLY. THERE'S FOUR ACTION ITEMS WE CAN TAKE IN RAPID FIRE SUCCESS SEX -- #E SUCCESSION HERE TO SEND A LOT OF PEOPLE HOME. AT THIS TIME, COUNCIL, I HAVE BEEN TOLD STAFF RECOMMENDED A POSTPONEMENT ON ITEM 41 TO OUR AMATP CITY ROAD PLAN. AND IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO POSTPONE ITEM NO. 41 UNTIL JUNE 17th, 2004.

MOTION MADE BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM. I SECOND THAT. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

AYE.

OPPOSED. PASSED 5-0. I'M ALSO TOLD, COUNCIL THAT THERE'S A REQUEST TO POSTPONE ITEM NO. 43 WHICH IS A PUBLIC HEARING AND POTENTIAL ACTION ON AN APPEAL OF THE DENIAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT ON NORTH LAMAR BLVD., AND ALTHOUGH THIS IS NOT TECHNICALLY WHAT I WOULD CALL A ZONING CASE, WE CERTAINLY HAVE OUR PRACTICE OF ALWAYS GRANTING A POSTPONEMENT ON THE FIRST REQUEST BY EITHER AN APPLICANT-AGENT-OWNER AND/OR AN OPPOSING NEIGHBOR OR

ORGANIZATION.

TAMMY WILLIAMSON IS THE WATERSHED DEPARTMENT AND THE APPLICANT ASKED FOR A POSTPONEMENT TO MAY 27th. IS HIS FIRST REQUEST AS WELL.

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION, COUNCIL. LY SAY A NUMBER OF FOLKS HAVE COME HERE TONIGHT, BUT AGAIN OUR PRACTICE HAS BEEN TO ALWAYS ACKNOWLEDGE THE FIRST REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT FROM EITHER SIDE OF A POTENTIAL CONTENTIOUS ISSUE. MOTION MADE BY MAYOR PRO TEM SECONDED BY DUNKERLEY TO POSTPONE TILL MAY 27, 2004. MOTION TO POSTPONE PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. ALSO, COUNCIL, WE HAVE TWO LIMITED PURPOSE ANNEXATION PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEM NO. 40 REGARDING THE RIVELIN RANCH AND 42 THE ROBINSON RANCH. EWOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE MR. BEN LUCAS.

THE FIRST CASE IS THE LIMITED PURPOSE ANNEXATION OF THE RIBERIN RANCH. ACTION IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 10th. THE AREA IN BLUE IS THE RIBEN RANCH OFF NORTH F.M.2222, EAST OF P.34 AND DR. -- NORTH OF 3M. PROVIDE FOR PHASE CONVERSION OF FULL PURPOSE STATUS. THERE'S PA PENDING ZONING CASE WITH THAT C814040061, AND THIS IS VERY SIMILAR TO WHAT WE'VE DONE IN AVERY AND OTHER AREAS, LIMIT PURPOSE AGE CONVERSION WITH A ZONING CASE. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NO. 40 A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE LIMITED PURPOSE ANNEXATION OF THE RIVALIN RANCH? HEARING NONE. I MAKE A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7 TO 0. ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF OF THE ANNEXATION, COUNCIL? THANK YOU MR. LUKINS. ITEM 42.

NEXT IS THE CONSENSUAL LIMIT PURPOSE OF THE ROBINSON PARTY. TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS. THIS IS APPROXIMATELY 6300 ACRES IN TRAVIS AND WILLIAMSON COUNTIES, PARMER LANE, F.M.2222 AND THE AREA THAT'S SHOWN IN THE HEAVY GREEN LINE IS THE ROBINSON PROPERTY. AGAIN, THIS IS A -- THERE WILL BE A ZONING

CASE FILED ON THIS TRACK, AND AGAIN THIS VERY SIMILAR WE'VE DONE ELSEWHERE AT AVERY AND INTERPORT AND OTHERS. THIS IS A LIMITED PURPOSE AN EX SAYS WITH PHASE CONVERSION OF FULL PURPOSE STATUS. AND AGAIN, MAY 13th, SECOND HEARING, JUNE 10th TENTATIVE ACTION. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION ON ROBINSON. UNLESS YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU. AGAIN, COUNCIL, NO CITIZEN SIGNED UP FOR ITEM NO. 42. ANY CITIZENS WISHING TO BE HEARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE LIMITED PURPOSE AN EX SAYS OF THE -- ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY CALLED THE ROBERTSON RANCH. HEARING NONE I MAKE A MOTION TO CLOSE THE HEARING. FURTHER COMMENT. THANK YOU, MR. LUKINS. THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING MAY 13th, NEXT WEEK, ACTION ON JUNE 10th. THANK YOU AND GOOD NIGHT, MR. LUKINS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. AGAIN, COUNCIL, WE HAVE HAD THE STAFF PEGS ON ITEM Z-1, THE COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND ITEM Z-2. THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY. AND, COUNCIL, WE'RE BEING TOLD THAT THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HAS SUBMITTED TO US IN WRITING A RESPECTFUL REQUESTED POSTPONEMENT OF ALL ITEMS RELATED TO THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY, WHICH WOULD BE -- WOULD BE, OF COURSE, THE PUBLIC HEARING WE'VE IDENTIFIED AS Z-2. AND THE CITY ATTORNEY RECOMMENDS US, SO WITH A NEIGHBORHOOD REQUEST TO POSTPONE ALL ITEMS, BUT THEY SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFY THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY, AND, COUNCIL, I WOULD GLADLY ACCEPT ANY SUGGESTIONS ON HOW, PERHAPS, WE IDENTIFY THAT SEPARATELY FROM OUR COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS, Z-1 THAT WE'VE ALREADY TAKEN UP.

HAVE WE ALREADY STARTED THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS?

WE'VE BEGUN THE HEARING. WE COMBINED Z-1 AND 2. WE HEARD FROM THE STAFF PRESENTATION AND ABOUT TO TAKE UP, YOU KNOW, APPROXIMATELY 90 MINUTES, PROBABLY, WORTH OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

MR. MAYOR? I'M JEFF HECKLER --

JUST A SECOND.

I BELIEVE IT'S UNTIMELY TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING ONCE WE POSTPONE IT. IF IT CAME BEFORE IT'S ONE THING BUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HEARING IT'S UNUSUAL.

WE WOULD BE AMEANABLE TO WITHHOLDING THE SECOND READING TILL JUNE 10th IF THAT WOULD BE AGREEABLE.

MR. HECKLER, DO YOU REPRESENT A MEMBER OF THE WEST CAMPUS.

ABSOLUTELY.

WELCOME.

JUST A POINT OF CLARIFICATION, YOU SAID IT WAS CUSTOMARY TO POSTPONE FIRST REQUESTS. THIS IS OUR FIRST REQUEST. WE ASSUME THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING WOULD START WITH A MOTION OR ENTERTAIN A MOTION OR PLEASE LOOK AT OUR POSTPONEMENT AT THE VERY BEGINNING, SO WE WERE A LITTLE AMAZED THAT YOU DIDN'T BRITT UP AND ARE KIND OF CURIOUS IF THIS IS A CHANGE IN POLICY OR WHAT THE RATIONALE IS NOW.

THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF THIS. I PERSONALLY WOULD HAVE AT LEAST BROUGHT UP THE DEBATE, HAD I KNOWN THIS TWO HOURS AGO, BUT --

I BELIEVE WE GOT IT TO COUNCIL IN, I THINK, A FEW DAYS AGO. OR TO STAFF.

AND AGAIN, COUNCIL, A POTO -- POTENTIAL ISSUE WOULD BE -- I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE UNPRECEDENTED, I'M LOOKING AT SOME OF THE SENIOR MEMBERS OF COUNCIL -- I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE UNPRECEDENTED FOR THE POTENTIAL ACTION TO BE POSTPONED, GRANTING THE REQUEST. I AM HESITANT IN THAT WE'VE BEGUN THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE'VE HAD, YOU KNOW, A RELATIVELY DETAILED PRESENTATION BY STAFF AND OBVIOUSLY DOZENS OF PEOPLE HERE. MY SUSPICION IS A NUMBER OF THEM ARE

DISAPPOINTED WE'RE NOT TAKING UP THE ZONING CASES TO BEGIN WITH TONIGHT BECAUSE OF A POSTING ERROR. I'M LOOKING TO MY LEFT TO MAYOR PRO TEM.

I'LL JUST SAY I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT. I'M SORRY. IF I HAD THAT PIECE OF PAPER, I NEVER SAW IT. BUT WHAT YOU CAN BE ASSURED OF IS THAT THERE WILL BE NO FINAL ACTION TAKEN TONIGHT AND THAT IF THERE ARE FOLKS WHO ARE NOT READY TO SPEAK TONIGHT, WE CAN DECIDE ON SECOND AND THIRD HEARING, WHICH USUALLY TAKES PLACE AT THREE DIFFERENT DATES, TO ASK PEOPLE TO COME UP AND TALK ABOUT THE ISSUES, ESPECIALLY IF THEY'VE NOT BEEN RESOLVED. THE REASON THAT WE SEPARATE THE READINGS IS SO THAT ITEMS OF CONTROVERSY ARISE -- OR ISSUES CAN BE WORKED OUT. SO NOTHING IS FINAL TILL THIRD READING, AND IT WILL BE SOME TIME FOR THAT TO HAPPEN. SO MAYBE YOU ALL WOULD BE COMFORTABLE KNOWING THAT THERE'S NO FINAL OR DEFINITIVE ACTION HAPPENING TONIGHT, BUT WE WOULD LIKE --

THAT SOUNDS REAL GOOD. I WAS JUST CURIOUS IF THIS IS OUR MISTAKE OR DID STAFF JUST NOT HAND IT IN OR WHAT?

I DON'T KNOW. WE'RE IN THIS PAPERLESS SOCIETY RIGHT NOW WHERE WE CARRY AROUND OUR LAPTOPS, AND I JUST DIDN'T SEE IT MYSELF.

WEST UNIVERSITY AND NUNA TO GO BACK TO PLANNING COMMISSION MAYBE MAKES SENSE, BECAUSE THEY ALWAYS SAID THEY SHOULD GO TOGETHER. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT MAKES SENSE TO HAVE BOTH OF THOSE CATCH UP TO EACH OTHER.

WELL, MR. HECKLER, WHAT I'M TRYING TO FIND SORT OF AN EQUITABLE BALANCE HERE IS THAT WE'VE ALREADY POSTPONED THE JUNE 10th, THE ACTUAL ZONING CASES, WHICH, FRANKLY, IS WHERE MOST OF THE CONTENTION OFTEN ARISES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS. THERE'S LIKELY TO BE A NUMBER OF VALID TENSION ELEMENTS OF OPPOSITION -- PETITION ELEMENTS TO THE ZONING. WE'VE TAKEN UP Z-1 AND Z-2, THE ISSUE OF THE LAND USE STATEMENTS THAT WE MAKE AS A COMMUNITY, AND THEN

THIS ELEMENT -- THIS INTERESTING ELEMENT OF AN OVERLAY OVER A PORTION OF THAT PLAN. COUNCIL, I WOULD BE COMFORTABLE POSTPONING ACTION ON THESE PLANS BECAUSE OF THIS REQUEST, ALTHOUGH I'M RELUCTANT TO DO THAT BECAUSE SO MANY PEOPLE ARE HERE, BUT BECAUSE SO MANY PEOPLE ARE HERE I'M ALSO COMFORTABLE CONTINUING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND GETTING, FRANKLY, AS MUCH FEEDBACK AS WE CAN WHILE FOLKS ARE HERE AWAY FROM DINNER AND FAMILY BY RECOGNIZING THE REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT AND POSTPONE ANY ACTION. BUT I'LL LOOK TO THE WILL OF THE COUNCIL. YES, COUNCILMAN THOMAS.

I UNDERSTAND POSTPONING IT. PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SITTING HERE FOR THIS LONG. I THINK WE OUGHT TO LET EVERYBODY SPEAK WHILE WE CAN, HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING AND THEN THROUGH THE PUBLIC HEARING MAYBE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT YOU WANTED TO POSTPONE, YOU CAN WORK THROUGH THOSE.

WELL, HOW ABOUT IF WE CAN GET MAYBE SOME ASSURANCES, SINCE OUR ATTORNEY WITH US OUT OF TOWN AND SOME OF THE STUDENTS ARE GOING THROUGH FINALS, YOU KNOW HOW HARD THAT IS TO BE HERE. MAYBE IF WE CAN LEAVE THE PUBLIC HEARING OPEN FOR A SECOND READING TO GET THOSE PRESENTATIONS IN AT THAT TIME. WOULD THAT BE AMEANABLE TO THE COUNCIL?

COUNCIL, WE ALWAYS HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY TO WAVE THE RULES WE'VE ESTABLISHED IN THE LAST YEAR OR SO. THE FACT THAT THIS IS A RELATIVELY UNIQUE PLAN IN THAT WE HAVE SEVEN NEIGHBORHOODS THAT HAVE FORMED A RELATIVELY SCRIPTED PRESENTATION THAT WE'RE GOING TO HEAR HERE IN A FEW MINUTES, AND WE'RE RESERVING ANOTHER SORT OF PROPORTIONATE SEGMENT FOR FOLKS WHO MAY FEEL THEY THEY'RE NOT REPRESENTED BY EITHER OF THOSE SEVEN, CALL IT, 10-MINUTE PRESENTATIONS, I COULD SEE A RATIONALE FOR -- AS WE BRING THIS UP TO SECOND HEARING, WE ALLOW FOR AN PROXIMATE 10 OR 12 OR 15-MINUTE PRESENTATION BY THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AT THAT SECOND HEARING, SO THE FOLKS WHO, PERHAPS, DIDN'T COME TONIGHT BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD THEIR

POSTPONEMENT REQUEST IN COULD, IN FACT, HAVE THEIR PROPORTIONATE SAY ON THE PLAN. OF COURSE, THEY ALWAYS HAVE THE ABILITY TO SIGN UP FOR THE INDIVIDUAL ZONING CASES AS THOSE COME TO US IN JUNE -- IN MID JUNE.

WELL --

SOWNLS MEB -- COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER.

THEY'RE GOING TO GET TO PRESENT IT TONIGHT, TOO, THOUGH, RIGHT?

YES.

SO IF THEY HAD PEOPLE THAT DIDN'T GET TO COME, I WOULDN'T OBJECT TO A SHORT PRESENTATION, BUT IT WOULD BOTHER ME A LITTLE IF WE ONLY HEAR FROM ONE SIDE. I THINK MAYBE THE SAME SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME, NOT 70 MINUTES, AGAIN, BUT THE GROUP COULD GET TOGETHER AND HAVE, YOU KNOW, 10, 12, WHATEVER WE GIVE THIS GROUP.

SO, THEN, COUNCIL, WITHOUT OBJECTION, WHY DON'T WE CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND I APOLOGIZE TO MR. HECKLER IF, YOU KNOW, THE FORMALITY OF THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION REQUEST DIDN'T APPROPRIATELY MAKE IT TO THE DIAS BEFORE WE BEGAN.

A POINT OF CALCULATOR, MR. MAYOR -- CLARITY, MR. MAYOR, WHAT'S OUR TIME TO MAKE OUR PRESENTATION? I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S 10 OR 12 MINUTES. I KNOW THEY'RE GETTING 70, AND WE'RE GOING TO GET 12, 10?

WELL, I HAD BEEN TOLD THAT, I THINK, SEVEN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS HAVE APPROXIMATELY A ONE-HOUR SCRIPTED PRESENTATION, SO I WOULD, YOU KNOW, CALL THAT NINE MINUTES PER ORGANIZATION, AND I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM YOU FOR TEN MINUTES FOLLOWING THE PRESENTATION OF THE OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.

AND, MAYOR, I MEAN, I KNOW WHAT MR. HECKLER IS SAYING,

BUT I THINK THE WAY WE HAD SET IT UP IS WE HAD THIS AS SORT OF A WIDER AREA, AND WE WERE SETTING UP BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND IF WE WENT AHEAD AND DID IT ACCORDING TO HOW MANY ARE IN THE AUDIENCE, I THINK IT WOULD COME OUT TO ABOUT THE SAME TIME RATIO, SO I'M NOT TROUBLED BY HAVING IT LIKE THAT, GIVING EACH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION THEIR TIME.

I AGREE.

COUNCIL MEB ALVAREZ -- COUNCIL MEMBER ALVAREZ.

WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ZONING CASES, RIGHT?

YES, WHEN THE ZONING CASES COME BACK THERE WILL BE PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED WITH THAT. THERE'S A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN AND UNO. SO IN THE PAST, BECAUSE WE COMBINED THE ZONING WITH THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN, IT SEEMED LIKE ONE HEARING. BUT IN REALITY, WHAT YOU'VE DONE IS COMBINED THOSE HEARINGS IN THE PAST, AND WHEN THE ZONING CASES COME BACK, THOSE WILL COME BACK AS THEIR INITIAL FIRST HEARINGS. THIS MATTER, YOU HAVE THE FIRST HEARING TONIGHT AND THEN, OF COURSE, IT'S IN YOUR DISCRETION WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS THE NEXT TIME OUT EVEN IF YOU CLOSED THE HEARING THIS TIME.

BUT IT JUST SEEMS LIKE WE'RE HAVING AN ABRIDGED HEARING HERE BECAUSE USUALLY WE GIVE EVERYBODY THREE MINUTES. SO THIS ISN'T SORT OF A STANDARD HEARING. SO I THINK, CERTAINLY, WE SHOULD ALLOW PEOPLE, NEXT TIME, IF WE'RE ONLY GIVING THEM TEN MINUTES, LET'S SAY EACH NEIGHBORHOOD, THAT ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SPEAK ON THE ISSUES SHOULD HAVE THAT RIGHT BECAUSE, TYPICALLY, WE GIVE ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SPEAK THEIR THREE MINUTES. THAT'S ONE OF THE PRINCIPLES I LIKE TO OPERATE UNDER, BUT, YOU KNOW, I JUST DON'T KNOW, AGAIN, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING TODAY, THEN LET'S HAVE THE NORMAL PUBLIC HEARING WHERE WE GIVE EVERYBODY THEIR THREE MINUTES. BUT IF WE'RE DOING AN ABRIDGED VERSION OF

THE PUBLIC HEARING, LET'S AT LEAST GIVE THE PEOPLE NEXT TIME TO SAY THEIR PIECE BECAUSE IT IS A COMPLICATED PLAN WITH A LOT OF PROPERTIES THAT ARE AFFECTED. I THOUGHT WE WERE JUST DOING IT BECAUSE OF THE MIXUP IN THE POSTING LANGUAGE SO WE COULD HAVE A LITTLE MOVEMENT ON THE PLAN, BUT ACTUALLY HAVE MORE DISCUSSION WHEN THIS ITEM COMES BACK.

IF I CAN, MY INTENT, AND I THOUGHT WE WERE ON THE SAME PAGE, IN THAT, ESSENTIALLY, WE'RE HAVING A SOMEWHAT ABRIDGED PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS ON THE PLAN, AGAIN, JUST SORT OF THE CONCEPTUAL LAND USE DEBATE THAT WE'RE HAVING. ULTIMATELY, BECAUSE OF THE POSTING ERROR, WE'RE GOING TO COME BACK AND DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN, VIS-A-VIS THE INDIVIDUAL ZONING CASES AND, AT THAT TIME, I WOULD STRONGLY SUPPORT THE IDEA OF OUR TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN PROCESS WHERE EVERY CITIZEN WHO WANTS THREE MINUTES AND/OR WANTS TO DONATE HIS OR HER THREE MINUTES WILL HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY AS WE ACTUALLY TAKE UP THE ZONING CASES THAT, FRANKLY, ARE FAR MORE COMPLICATED THAN WHAT WE WILL TALK ABOUT THIS EVENING.

MAYOR, WE HAD SAID EARLIER THAT FOLKS THAT AREN'T REPRESENTED BY ONE OF THE EIGHT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS SHOULD HAVE THEIR THREE MINUTES. I THINK ONLY FOUR PEOPLE RAISED THEIR HAND. I WANTED TO HEAR FROM THEM. WE ARE GOING TO DO THAT TONIGHT? CORRECT? THAT'S STILL ON THE TABLE?

JUST SEEMED PROPORTIONAL. SEEMS LIKE SINCE ONLY A HANDFUL OF HANDS WENT UP, IT SEEMED LIKE APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AMOUNT OF TIME THAT EACH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION WILL HAVE AS WE MOVE FORWARD.

YEAH, JUST SEEMS LIKE WE WERE TALKING, ALREADY, ABOUT THE PUBLIC HEARING NEXT TIME ABOUT TRYING TO LIMIT, YOU KNOW, THE THE INPUT OR THE PUBLIC COMMENT, AND MAYBE I JUST MISUNDERSTOOD, BUT I THINK WHAT YOU EXPLAINED IS WHAT WE'RE CONTEMPLATING, I'M CERTAINLY

FINE WITH THAT.

MAYOR.

MAYOR PRO TEM.

ACTUALLY, WHAT WE WERE ORIGINALLY TALKING ABOUT WAS THE FIRST READING AND THAT WE DON'T HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING ON SECOND READING OR THIRD MEETING UNLESS WE HAVE SPECIAL PROVISION. WE'RE CONTINUING. WE HAVE ONE MORE THING TO LAY OUT, ALTHOUGH WE'VE ALREADY MASSAGED THAT A LITTLE BIT, WE EVER PEOPLE BE ABLE TO SPEAK AT THE SECOND HEARING THAT WEREN'T ABLE TO SPEAK AT THE FIRST, SO WE NEED TO DECIDE NOW, SPECIFICALLY FOR FOLKS' CLARIFICATION, WHETHER IF THEY SPEAK TONIGHT THAT ISN STILL -- THEY CAN STILL SPEAK AT THE CONTINUE CONTINUATION HEARING.

MY RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WE TRY TO INSTILL A LITTLE DISCIPLINE AND ASK FOLKS THAT IF THEY -- AGAIN, THIS IS JUST FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, AND JUST THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY, NOT THE ACTUAL ZONING CASES. AND, SO, MY HOPE AND RECOMMENDATION AND REQUEST WOULD BE THAT FOLKS WHO SPEAK TO US THIS EVENING OR FEEL LIKE THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD APPROPRIATELY REPRESENTED THEM INSO AS FARAS THE CONCEPT OF LAND USE AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, THAT THEY WON'T FEEL THE OBLIGATION TO SPEAK INDIVIDUALLY AT THE SECOND READING OR THE CONTINUANCE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING. OF COURSE THEY WILL HAVE THE RIGHT AS AN INDIVIDUAL TO SPEAK ABOUT THE ZONING CASE THAT HAS THEM MOST INTERESTED. SO IS THAT CLEAR?

WELL, I THINK AS LONG AS WE HAVE AT LEAST A CORE GROUP, NOT TO TAKE UP THE COUNCIL'S TIME WHEN THIS GOES FORWARD, TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS, SOME ASSURANCES THAT WE CAN ALSO SPEAK ON UNO AND WE'RE NOT PROHIBITED FROM REVISITING THAT, EVEN THOUGH IT WILL BE COMBINED, I THINK THAT WOULD BE FINE.

I'M SURE YOU WON'T BE PROHIBITED, MR. HECKLER, AND I CAN SPEAK FOR THIS POWER DIAS IN THAT, YOU KNOW, THE

AMOUNT OF EFFORT THAT THIS COUNCIL GOES THROUGH TO ENSURE AS MANY FOLKS WHO WANT TO SPEAK DO, AND ALL THESE CASES THAT WILL COME TO PRIEW WIGS -- FRUITION ON THIS NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AS WELL. SO IF YOU CAN RESPECT OUR JUDGMENT AND TRUST US, WE'LL CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING, GET MORE PUBLIC INPUT TONIGHT, AND WE'LL GET A LOT MORE PUBLIC INPUT AS THE PROCESS CONTINUES THE NEXT UPUPLE OF READINGS AND THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. SO, THANK YOU, SIR, AND WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY MISCOMMUNICATION OR CONFUSION. WITH THAT, AGAIN, COUNCIL, WE'VE HEARD THE STAFF PRESENTATION ON THE COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING OF Z-1 AND Z-2, THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY. AND I WOULD NOW LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF MRS. MARY GAY MAXWELL WHO WILL BEGIN. MR. CHAPA, IF YOU COULD SET THE CLOCK FOR 70 MINUTES, THE ALLOCATION -- THE VOLUNTARY ALLOCATION OF TIME THAT I SEE FROM THE INDIVIDUAL SPEAKERS ADDS UP TO ALMOST 70 MINUTES, AND THAT WITHIN EASY FOR US TO ALLOCATE TIME IN THE FUTURE. AND I WELCOME MS. MARY GAY MAXWELL. IF YOU COULD, AS FOLKS COME UP, IDENTIFIED YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION, PERHAPS WHERE YOU PERSONALLY LIVE AND ALLOW US TO SORT OF KEEP THE ORGANIZATIONS AND THE GEOGRAPHY STRAIGHT.

YOU WANT ME TO MAKE THAT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR EACH PERSON?

NO, JUST YOU, AND HOPEFULLY THE FOLLOWING SPEAKERS WILL DO THE SAME AND WILL ALLOW US TO AGREE -- GEOGRAPHICALLY FOLLOW THE DISCUSSION HERE.

OKAY. I'M MARY GAY MAXWELL AND I'M FROM THE NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, BUT I'M ALSO GOING TO BE MORE OR LESS A LEAD SPEAKER, SO I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE WHOLE PLAN AND NOT MY NEIGHBORHOOD. I APPRECIATE HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK BEFORE THE COUNCIL AND MAYOR WYNN. THIS IS A PRETTY AMAZING THING THAT I'M ABOUT TO PRESENT TO YOU. IT'S BEEN A PRETTY MIRACULOUS OCCURRENCE THAT HAS HAPPENED FOR ALL OF US. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK

EVERYONE WHO'S HERE BECAUSE OF THE PLAN AND WHO'S INTERESTED IN SEEING THE PLAN PASS, JUST STAND UP FOR A SECOND. THANK YOU. WE TRY TO DO WHAT COUNCIL AND THE CITY NEEDS, AND THAT IS TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE DENSITY IN THE CENTRAL CITY WHILE TRYING TO PRESERVE THE HISTORIC CHARACTER AND THE SINGLE-FAMILY CHARACTER OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. AND, SO, I'D LIKE TO SHOW YOU A GRAPHIC. IS IT ON? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. I JUST WAND TO -- WANTED TO SHOW YOU THIS MAP BECAUSE THIS IS THE MAP OF THE AREA OF THE WHOLE PLANNING AREA, AND ALL THESE RED DOTS REPRESENT THE NEW -- SORRY. CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW? CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW? THESE RED DOTS REPRESENT DENSITY IN OUR AREA, AND, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY IT'S NOT ALL NEW, BUT THE BIG RED DOTS ARE THE NEW PART. THAT'S GOING TO BE NEW BECAUSE THAT'S GOING TO BE THE NEW MIXED USE AND THE HIGH-DENSITY MIXED USE AREAS, AND ALL THE LITTLER DOTS ARE THE MULTI-FAMILY AREAS. AND THIS IS WEST CAMPUS, AND YOU CAN SEE THAT MOST OF THE REALLY HEAVY DENSITY WILL BE IN WEST CAMPUS, BUT IF YOU'LL NOTICE, THERE ARE RINGS OF DENSITY AROUND THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THEN HERE IS THE NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD, THERE'S A LOT OF DENSITY ON THE SOUTH THAT GOES WITH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND WE HAVE MULTI-FAMILY ALL THE WAY THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE'RE SPRINKLED WITH IT, AND THERE WILL BE MORE OF THAT. WE'VE MADE PROVISION FOR ADDITIONAL HIGH-DENSITY -- MORE INTENSE DEVELOPMENT DOWN IN THIS AREA OF THE NORTH UNIVERSITY AREA. THIS IS THE HAND AREA, AND YOU CAN SEE THAT THERE'S MORE MIXED USE DENSITY FOR THAT. BUT THERE ARE LARGE PIECES THAT ARE SINGLE FAMILY AREAS AND I'M TRYING TO MAINTAIN THAT. I'LL HAVE A BALANCE BETWEEN THE TWO AND WE THINK THAT THIS INCREASET DENSITY WILL DO A GOOD JOB FOR PROVIDING FOR MORE RESIDENTS IN THE CENTRAL CITY, WHILE STILL PRESERVING THIS SINGLE FAMILY CHARACTER THAT IS THE HEART AND SOUL OF THE CITY. THE CHARACTER OF THESE NEIGHBORHOODS IS WHAT GIVES US A UNIQUE FLAVOR. WE'RE NOT HOUSTON, WE'RE AUSTIN, AND THIS IS WHAT MAKES US AUSTIN. [ONE MOMENT FOR A CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

I'M HERE SHARING MY TAME WITH JOHN FOX WORTH AND BARBARA BRIDGES. HE'S FROM THE SHOAL CREST NEIGHBORHOOD AND BARBARA IS FROM THE WEST UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD. AND WE WANTED TO MAKE A SPECIAL NOTE TO YOU ABOUT THE UNO CONCEPT THAT IS A KEY ELEMENT OF THIS PLAN. WE SPECIFICALLY WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT IT STARTED NOT AS A DEVELOPER IDEA, BUT REALLY FROM US THREE. US NEIGHBORHOOD PEOPLE, RESIDENTS OF THE AREA, THOUGHT WHAT WAS REALLY LACKING WASN'T MORE DENSITY OR LESS DENSITY, WHAT WAS REALLY LACKING WAS A VISION. WHAT SHOULD THIS AREA OF THE CITY BE. WHAT WOULD A GREAT CITY HAVE IN THIS AREA. AND ANY RATIONAL PERSON I THINK WHO DRIVES WEST OF CAMPUS WOULD SEE THAT IN MANY -- ALONG MANY STREETS WEST CAMPUS IS AN EMBARRASSMENT AND IT REALLY NEEDS HELP. SO WE SAT DOWN AND KIND OF HAD A BRAINSTORMING, WHAT COULD THIS BE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THE FLOOR TO BARBARA SO WE COULD OFFER YOU HER PERSPECTIVE ON HOW THAT MEETING WENT AND HOW THIS UNO CONCEPT STARTED FROM A VISION.

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME TALK TO YOU ALL TONIGHT ABOUT THE PLAN. I REPRESENT ONE OF SEVEN NEIGHBORHOODS IN COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOODS THAT GOT TOGETHER WITH STAFF TO WORK TOGETHER TO GET WHAT WE HOPE IS A VERY GOOD PLAN FOR THE AREA. AS AL SAID, IT WAS JOHN AND MYSELF AND AL WHO ACTUALLY SAT DOWN AND SAID WE KNOW THAT YOU ALL WANT DENSITY. I HAVE BEEN TO ENOUGH SMARTH GROWTH WORK WORKSHOPS THAT THE CITY HAS GIVEN TO KNOW THAT YOU WANT GROWTH IN THE CENTRAL CITY. AND WE TRIED TO DECIDE WHERE WE COULD BEST PUT IT WHILE STILL PRESERVING THE SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD. I'VE LIVED IN THE WEST UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD FOR THE LAST 38 YEARS. OVER THESE YEARS I'VE WATCHED U.T. GROW FROM 20,000 TO 50,000 STUDENTS WHILE PROVIDING ONLY TWO DORMS TO MAKE UP FOR WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO WITH THESE STUDENTS. INCREASED DEMAND FOR STUDENT HOUSING HAS OFTEN RESULTED IN INAPPROPRIATE GROWTH. IT HAS RESULTED IN LARGE APARTMENT BUILDINGS, MEGA CONDOS AND SUPER

DUPLEXES ABUTTING SMALL SINGLE-FAMILY BUNGALOWS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WEST UNIVERSITY HAS SERVED AS HOME TO MANY U.T. FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS FOR OVER 100 YEARS. THEY WERE JOINED BY STATE EMPLOYEES AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS WHOSE WORK WAS NEARBY. EVEN AS RAMPANT DEVELOPMENT CAME AT US FROM THE EAST, WE CHOSE TO REMAIN. OUR LITTLE NEIGHBORHOOD IS COMPOSED MOSTLY OF MODEST BUNGALOWS THAT REFLECT BETTER MUCH WHAT LIFE WAS LIKE WITH FACULTY AND STAFF IN THE EARLY YEARS OF U.T. OVER 60% OF THE BUILDINGS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD ARE OVER 50 YEARS OLD AND ALMOST HALF OF THOSE WERE BUILT BEFORE 1930. HOWEVER, OUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S VERY EXISTENCE HAS BEEN THREATENED BY PRESSURE FROM THE EAST WITH STUDENT HOUSING AND CURRENTLY MAYBE WITH SOME PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT TO THE WEST. YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD, AS I SAID, THAT IT WAS US AND NOT DEVELOPERS THAT CAME UP WITH THIS IDEA. WE DIDN'T CALL IT UNO OVERLAY AT THE TIME. BUT WHAT WE WANTED WAS A VIBRANT NEIGHBORHOOD. IN FACT, WE GOT SO CARRIED AWAY, AT ONE POINT WE FOUND OURSELVES PUTTING THIS INCREASED DENSITY ALL THE WAY DOWN TO 15TH STREET AND FROM LAVACA TO NUECES, THEN WE WENT WAIT A MINUTE, THIS ISN'T OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, WE CAN'T DO THIS. [LAUGHTER] SO WE'RE TRYING TO PUT INCREASED DENSITY WHERE WE THINK IT'S MOST APPROPRIATE, THAT IS RIGHT NEXT DOOR TO U.T. AND THEN DID HE DECREASING HEIGHTS IN DENSITY AS IT GETS NEXT TO THE INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS. ONE OF THE TOP GOALS EXPRESSED IN THE PLANNING WORKSHOP WAS THAT THE SINGLE-FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD SHOULD BE PRESERVED. THE UNO OVERLAY WITH ITS DENSITY AND HEIGHTS DECREASING AS IT APPROACHES OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PROVIDES FOR THIS. OF COURSE, WE ARE PLACING A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TRUST IN THE CITY TO ENSURE THAT THE DECREASING HEIGHTS, DENSITY AND OVERLAY NEXT TO AND WITHIN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS ARE ENFORCED AND THAT THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE INCLUDED WILL BE PROTECTED AT THE SAME TIME THAT UNO IS EMBRACED. MANY OF US WOULD LIKE TO SEE A REALLY BUSY WILLING UNIVERSITY DISTRICT DEVELOP NEXT TO U.T. I ACTUALLY MOVED HERE AT A TIME WHEN YOU

COULD GO SHOPPING ON THE DRAG AND DOWNTOWN AND GET ALL OF YOUR SHOPPING DONE. I WAS FROM NEW ORLEANS AND YOU ALL HAD MORE SHOPS TO BUY CLOTHES IN ON THE DRAG THAN I HAD IN NEW ORLEANS DOWNTOWN. WE WOULD ALSO THINK THAT PERHAPS YOU WOULD FIND THAT SOME OF THE FACULTY AND STUDENTS MIGHT LIKE TO LIVE IN THIS AREA. THERE ARE 21,000 U.T. EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING FACULTY, THAT COMMUTE TO U.T. EVERYDAY. AND HAVING ACTUALLY JUST THOUGHT WINDSOR -- FOUGHT WINDSOR ROAD TO GET HERE, I CAN'T BELIEVE ANYBODY COMMUTES TO DOWNTOWN, BUT WE WOULD THINK THAT SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE MIGHT WANT TO GIVE UP THAT COMMUTE AND LIVE CLOSE TO WHERE THEY WORK, LIKE I DO. I'M A LIBRARIAN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND I HAVE ALWAYS LIVED CLOSE TO WHERE I WORKED AND I ENJOY THAT. I DIDN'T HAVE A CAR FOR PROBABLY THE FIRST 25 YEARS THAT I LIVED HERE, SO IT WAS NICE TO WALK TO WORK. I'M OLDER NOW AND I ACTUALLY LIKE TO DRIVE TO WORK. IN CLOSING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I KNOW THAT SOME SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE OF PUTTING INCREASED ECONOMIC CONSTRAINTS ON THE UNO DISTRICT. I DO HOPE THAT WHATEVER'S PUT ON IT IS NOT SUCH THAT IT WOULD KILL THE BABY WITH THE BATH WATER. THERE'S STILL -- THEY'RE STILL ALLOWED TO BUILD THERE AND THEY CAN MAKE IT ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE TO BUILD IN THAT AREA. I THINK THAT THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE MANY MORE RESTRAINTS THAN DOWNTOWN HI-RISES HAVE. IN CLOSING, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE STAFF. THEY'VE BEEN WONDERFUL TO WORK WITH THE LAST TWO YEARS. THEY'VE GONE OVER AND WAY ABOVE ANYTHING THAT I'M SURE THEIR JOB REQUIREMENTS ASK THEM TO DO. JOHN?

HI, MY NAME IS JOHN FOX WORTH. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE SHOAL CREST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. WE FORMED ABOUT 20 YEARS AGO, AND I HAVE LIVED IN THE SHOAL CREST NEIGHBORHOOD FOR ABOUT 22 YEARS. LIKE AL WAS SAYING BEFORE, WE GOT TOGETHER AND I HAVE NOTES FROM THE ORIGINAL MEETING, WHICH WAS JANUARY 9 JANUARY 9TH, 2003, TO START PLANNING THE IDEAS OF WHAT WEST CAMPUS -- WHAT KIND OF IDEAS WE HAD. WE HAD IDEAS LIKE, YOU KNOW, THE MULTI-USE RESIDENTIAL, LIVE ABOVE IT, KIND OF LIKE NEW YORK OR SOMEWHERE

ELSEWHERE YOU CAN HAVE LIKE AN ALAMO DRAFT HOUSE CINEMA UNDERNEATH SOME APARTMENTS SO PEOPLE WOULDN'T HAVE TO GET UP AND DRIVE, MAYBE A BOWLING ALLEY, SMALL SUPERMARKET, JUST TO HAVE A LIVEABLE, NOT HAVE TO GET IN YOUR CAR AND DRIVE SOMEWHERE TO GET ENTERTAINMENT OR STUFF. AND SO WE'VE BEEN MEETING TOGETHER FOR A LONG TIME WITH ALL THESE NEIGHBORHOODS BEFORE THE PLACE THAT WOULD NOT BE NAMED WAS BROUGHT UP. MAY 9TH OF 2002, WHICH IS THREE DAYS AND TWO YEARS AWAY.

Mayor Wynn: A DATE THAT WILL LIVE IN INFAMILIAR MY.

I SPENT A LOT OF TIME WITH THESE PEOPLE. SOME OF WHICH I'VE SPENT MORE TIME WITH THAN MY FAMILY. I HAVE A BROTHER AND A SISTER-IN-LAW THAT LIVE IN TOWN AND A NIECE AND I'VE BEEN DEFINITELY SEEING THESE PEOPLE MORE. BUT ANYWAY, THE IDEA FOR A LIVEABLE THING CAME ABOUT AND WE SAID HOW DO WE GO ABOUT DOING THIS? AND VERY RELUCTANTLY WE BEGAN WORKING WITH THE UNIVERSITY AREA PARTNERS, WHO WE WERE VERY NERVOUS, WE WERE THINKING THAT THEY WERE GOING TO TRY TO DO US IN AND CON KNIFE CONNIVE. WE'VE HAD GOOD AND BAD THINGS WITH THEM BEFORE. BUT AS WE STARTED WORKING WITH THEM, WE REALIZED WE HAD COMMON GOALS AND IDEAS, AND WE STARTED WORKING TOGETHER HAND IN HAND, AND WE SAT DOWN AND WE WORKED OUT HEIGHTS AND -- WE DIDN'T COME UP WITH 175, BUT WE WORKED WITH JUST HOW TO GO ABOUT DOING IT. AND AS THIS PROCESS CAME ABOUT, IT CAME ABOUT THAT WE NEEDED THIS KIND OF OVERLAY TO MAKE THESE THINGS HAPPEN. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY THAT WE COULD FIGURE OUT TO MAKE THESE THINGS HAPPEN, WORKING WITH CITY STAFF AND WORKING WITH UNIVERSITY AREA PARTNERS, WE WENT OUT THE EXTRA MILE TO GET THE ARCHITECTS TO COME UP WITH GOOD SOLUTION. I TOTALLY LIKE THE CONCEPT OF THE FLAT PARKING GARAGES THAT YOU CAN -- IF YOU DON'T NEED PARKING IN THE FUTURE, WHICH HOPEFULLY NOT BECAUSE THINGS LIKE E-BUS AND STUFF WHICH THE KIDS ARE REALLY USING NOW, WE WON'T NEED THAT. AND YOU CAN START USING THOSE FLAT PARKING GARAGES FOR OTHER RETAIL OR HAVE DOABLE SPACES. I'M NOT SPEAKING TOO GOOD RIGHT NOW, SO I'M JUST GOING

TO HAND THE COMMENTS TO THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT MADE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. I THINK THE IDEA OF A CAR SHARE IS RIDICULOUS FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS. IT WON'T WORK, SO DON'T REDUCE PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR PEOPLE THAT HAVE CAR SHARE BECAUSE ONCE YOU FIND OUT IT'S A FAILURE, YOU WON'T HAVE THE PARKING SPACES. AND HOPEFULLY IF YOU BUILD THIS MORE DEVELOPMENT DOWNTOWN OR WEST OF CAMPUS AND MAKE IT DENSER, YOU WILL HAVE MORE SUPPLY AND YOU WILL HAVE MORE AFFORDABLE RENTS IN THE AREA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, JOHN. AND YOU ALL ARE FOUR MINUTES AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

I WOULD JUST LIKE TO WRAP THINGS UP BY SAYING THAT AS JOHN AND BARBARA HAVE SAID, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS WITH A BROAD SPECTRUM OF THE COMMUNITY. AND WHILE THIS UNO CONCEPT STARTED AS A NEIGHBORHOOD CONCEPT, IT'S NO LONGER A NEIGHBORHOOD CONCEPT AND IT'S NOT A DEVELOPER CONCEPT, IT'S AN AUSTIN CONCEPT. IT LOOKS FORWARD TO THE NEEDS THAT WE FIND OURSELVES FACING IN THE FUTURE, AND WE THINK IT HOLDS THE PROMISE TO LEAVE BEHIND THE DEVICE SIEVE WAY OF -- DIVISIVE WAY OF RUNNING THIS CITY FROM A PLANNING STANDPOINT. IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, THE VISION FOR THIS CITY, GENERALLY SPEAKING, IS CRAFTED THROUGH THE CUMBERSOME MEANS OF VARIANCE. AND NOT A VERY GOOD WAY TO PLAN A CITY. AND WE THINK THAT THIS PLAN OFFERS A VISION THAT'S WORTH FOLLOWING. WE HOPE IT'S A CONTRIBUTION TO THE FUTURE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, AL. YOU'RE NOW THREE MINUTES AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

Mayor Wynn: FOLKS, I ALSO WANT TO SAY BEFORE WE CONTINUE ON THAT OCCASIONALLY COUNCILMEMBERS WILL LEAVE THE DAIS AND GO BACK IN THE BACK ROOM, BUT WE CAN HEAR AUDIO AND ACTUALLY SEE VIDEO WHILE WE GET A BITE TO EAT OR GET A GLASS OF WATER. WELCOME.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME

IS HOWARD LENNETT AND I'VE LIVED IN AUSTIN SINCE 1973 AND SEEN A LOT OF CHANGES IN THE WEST CAMPUS. I'M THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATOR OF THE INTERCOOPERATIVE COUNCIL. AND WE PROVIDE AFFORDABLE, LOW COST HOUSING FOR STUDENTS IN NINE PROPERTIES IN THE PLANNING AREA. OUR HOUSES RANGE FROM A RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED ENERGY EFFICIENT FULLY SPRINKLERED A.D.A. COMPLIANT STRUCTURE ON PEARL STREET BUILT AT ABOUT \$1.50 A SQUARE FOOT TO BUILDINGS THAT ARE HISTORIC AND FROM THE LATE 1800'S ON NUECES. AT ICC WE FEED AND HOUSE OUR STUDENTS FOR UNDER \$500 A MONTH. WE ARE TRULY AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AFFORDABLE STUDENT HOUSING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN THE WEST CAMPUS AT ICC SINCE THE 1930'S. MANY OF US IN THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING STUDENT COMMUNITY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND ON UNO FOR OVER A YEAR AND A HALF. AS A BOARD MEMBER OF UNIVERSITY AREA PARTNERS I'VE BEEN INCLUDED IN MANY DISCUSSIONS, AND AS A SMALL AFFORDABLE ALTERNATIVE HOUSING PROVIDER IT'S BEEN GREAT TO BE PARTICIPATING WITH SO MANY PEOPLE. THERE'S SOMETHING PRETTY AMAZING IN COMMUNITY AMAZING WHEN HIGH END DEVELOPER, PROPERTY OWNERS, THE KNOT FOR PROFIT, THE OTHER CLOSE TO CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD, ALL SIT DOWN TOGETHER, WORK WITH CITY STAFF AND WORK OUT A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN THAT HAS BUY-IN FROM SO MANY GROUPS. AS COOPERATIVE HOUSING OUR STUDENTS ARE NOT ONLY TENANTS, BUT THEY'RE THE ON ACTUAL OWNERS OF THEIR PROPERTIES. AND AS PROPERTY OWNERS THEIR CONCERNS ARE NOT ONLY THE SHORT-TERM INTERESTS OF GETTING HIGHER EDUCATION AND ENJOYING THE FUN BENEFITS OF STUDENT LIFE, BUT ALSO THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF BUILDING EQUITY IN THEIR PROPERTIES, I AM IMPROVING OUR COMMUNITY AT LARGE, AND LOOKING AFTER LONG-TERM INTEREST OF OUR MEMBERS AND OWNERS. OUR HOUSES, ALONG WITH COLLEGE HOUSES, WHICH WILL SPEAK NEXT, MAKE UP A SIGNIFICANT LAND AREA AFFECTED BY THE HIGHEST DENSITY DISTRICT OF UNO. THIS PLAN IS A BENEFIT TO OUR MEMBERSHIP, TO U.T. STUDENTS, TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND TO AUSTIN OVERALL. HOUSING CO-OPENS ARE ALMOST 10% OF THE STUDENTS WHO LIVE IN WEST CAMPUS AND WE

SUPPLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO THEM ALL. I SUPPORT THE UNO ORDINANCE AND BELIEVE THIS PLAN WILL CREATE MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOT ONLY FOR STUDENTS, BUT NO NON-STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND OTHERS WANTING TO LIVE IN A VIBRANT CENTRAL AUSTIN. AFFORDABLE WILL OCCUR NOT ONLY THROUGH THE CITY'S SMART HOUSING REQUIREMENT, BUT BY INCREASING THE OVERALL HOUSING SUPPLY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND BY ALLOWING FOR OLDER, PERHAPS LESS ATTRACTIVE PROPERTIES TO BE REDEVELOPED TO A LEVEL OF DENSITY WHERE THE COST OF RENOVATION WILL BE LOW ENOUGH FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO EXIST. AND ALSO THOSE OF US IN THE NONPROFIT COMMUNITY WILL BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE SAME TOOLS AND BENEFITS THAT THE FOR PROFIT DEVELOPERS WILL UTILIZE IN CONSTRUCTING THEIR PROFITS. IN ADDITION, UNO WILL BRING NEEDED COMMERCIAL SFTSS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT MAKES THE AREA ATTRACTIVE TO ALL. DESIGN GUIDELINES WHICH ARE REQUIRED FOR DEVELOPERS TO RECEIVE THE BENEFITS UNDER UNO MAKE THE NEIGHBORHOOD MORE ATTRACTIVE, PEDESTRIAN AND WHEELCHAIR FRIENDLY, BETTER LIT, BETTER TREE SCAPED, SAFER AND OVERALL WILL GIVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD A NEEDED FACELIFT TO WHAT IS AN OTHERWISE AGING PART OF OUR CITY. MY PERSONAL POSITION HAS BEEN TO LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO CREATE MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOT ONLY FOR THE SHORT-TERM, BUT FOR THE NEXT 20 TO 50 YEARS. WITH THE GROWING CHANGING NEEDS OF STUDENTS, WITH CHANGING NEEDS OF THE UNIVERSITY AND THE NEEDS OF THE NEAR CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD, I ASK YOU TO SUPPORT THE UNO ORDINANCE AND THE REST OF THE PROPOSED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. THANK YOU.

HELLO MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS ALLEN ROBERTSON AND I'M THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATOR OF COLLEGE HOUSES COOPERATIVE. WE HOUSE ABOUT 4500 STUDENTS IN WEST CAMPUS. ONE OF THE REASONS THAT WE SUPPORT THIS NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AS WELL AS THE OVERLAY DISTRICT IS THAT WE'RE IN A POSITION WHERE WE'VE GOT SOME AGING BUILDINGS THAT WE WANT TO REDEVELOP. TODAY IF WE DID THAT, WE COULD NOT DO -- WE COULDN'T DO IT AT THE SAME DENSITY WE DO TODAY.

FOR INSTANCE, WHERE I HAVE SAY 100 UNITS TODAY, I COULD ONLY BUILD BACK 54. AND IF YOU WANT TO CREATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WE NEED THAT DENSITY. SO I ENCOURAGE YOU TO PASS THIS SO THAT NONPROFITS CAN PUT ON THE GROUND TRULY AFFORDABLE HOUSING. OUR RENTS ARE SUCH THAT SOMEONE THAT'S MAKING BETWEEN 16 AND 25% OF THE MEDIAN INCOME CAN AFFORD OUR HOUSE. SO AS SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO PUT MORE UNITS ON THE GROUND, I ASK YOU TO PASS THE ORDINANCE AND HELP US WITH THIS. THANK YOU.

WE ARE ONE OF THE LARGER LANDOWNERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS IN WEST CAMPUS AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THIS -- ONE OF THE DEVELOPERS WORKING WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF. WE'VE GONE THROUGH AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF DESIGN GUIDELINES AND ISSUES WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND TRIED TO CRAFT A TRULY DEVELOPABLE ORDINANCE, SOMETHING THAT WILL ACTUALLY PRODUCE HOUSING AND SOMETHING THAT THE DEVIL DOESN'T GET LOST IN THE DETAILS THAT YOU CAN'T BUILD AT THE END OF THE DAY. ONE OF THE THINGS I WANT TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT IS THE REAL ISSUE OF DEVELOPING HOUSING IN WEST CAMPUS. YOU HAVE AN INTERESTING DYNAMIC. YOU HAVE ALL THESE STUDENTS THAT TO A MAN OR WOMAN FEEL THAT EACH ONE OF THEM NEEDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND YOU LAYER ON TOP OF THAT THAT YOU'RE IN A VERY SMALL AREA THAT IT'S QUITE COSTLY TO DEVELOP. THAT'S A TOUGH DYNAMIC TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN. AND SO JUST TO GIVE YOU SOME COST IDEAS, A FOUR TO SIX STORY BUILDING IN WEST CAMPUS IS GOING TO COST YOU ABOUT \$1.40 A -- \$140 A FOOT. A HI-RISE, ABOUT \$180 A FOOT. SO FOR A HI-RISE TWO BEDROOM THAT WOULD BE ABOUT 11 TO \$1,400 FOR A LOW RISE AND \$1,800 FOR A HI-RISE. THAT BUILDING NEW PRODUCT IN WEST CAMPUS, THOSE RENTS OVER THERE ARE THE HIGHEST IN THE CITY, SO THE IDEA WE CAME UP WITH, WHICH SOME OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS REALLY ENCOURAGED, WAS MEETING THE SMART HOUSING GUIDELINES. THAT WAS A VERY GOOD IDEA. WHAT WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT NOW IS WE KEEP INCREASING THAT AFFORDABILITY QUOTIENT ON THAT BEING AND UNFORTUNATELY IT'S NOT THE DEVELOPER WHO

PAYS FOR IT, IT'S THE OTHER PROPORTION OF STUDENTS, THAT OTHER 80% OR 90% THAT PAYS FOR THE FOLKS THAT YOU HAVE IN THE OTHER 10%. SO BY RATCHETING UP THAT AFFORDABILITY QUOASHT ON THE 10%, YOU'RE JUST MAKING RENTS HIGHER THAN ALREADY HIGH RENTS ON THE OTHER FOLKS THAT ARE IN THERE BUILDING. SO I THINK WHAT WE SHOULD DO, AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH STEWART HERSH AND THE FOLKS AT THE SMART HOUSING GROUP TO COME UP WITH SOME ADDITIONAL IDEAS TO HELP FUND MAYBE SOME OF THE NONPROFITS OR OTHER GROUPS TO PROVIDE HOUSING, MAYBE ENCOURAGE SOME OF THE OLDER HOUSING STOCK TO STAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND SO WE FULLY SUPPORT THE PLAN, WE FULLY SUPPORT THE IDEA OF MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BUT WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE SITE OF THE FACT THAT THAT INTERESTING DYNAMIC EXISTS WHERE YOU HAVE MOST OF THE PEOPLE ARE OF LIMITED MEANS, THEY'RE STUDENTS, THEY GET MONEY FROM PARENTS, FROM SCHOOL LOANS, NIGHT SCROBZ, AND ALL OF THEM FEEL THEY SHOULD GET MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, I'M RICHARD HARDIN. I OFFICE AT 2209 REI CAN'T GRAND -- I 83 I DON'T GRAND STREET IN THE ZACHARY SCOTT HOUSE THAT I REDID ABOUT 20 YEARS AGO. IT'S MY SECOND HISTORIC HOUSE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE FIRST BEING THE WHITE SPRINGFIELD HOUSE AT 2112 RIO GRAND, THAT WAS EXTREMELY CONTROVERSIAL 20 YEARS AGO. WE WERE ASKED TO TEAR IT DOWN AND BUILD CONDOMINIUMS AND I REFUSED. YOU HAVE HEARD, AND THOSE OF YOU THAT WATCH PLANNING COMMISSION, YOU REALLY HEARD A LOT ABOUT THIS LOVE FEST OF SEVEN NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS. IT WAS ANYTHING BUT THAT AT THE START. AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE HOW LONG AND HOW HARD AND HOW DIVERSE THIS GROUP IS AND WHAT EFFORT IT TOOK TO CREATE TRUST AMONGST A VERY DIVERSE CONSTITUENCY IN OUR LIVELY CITY. DOZENS OF MEETINGS. AND IT'S A VERY PUBLIC DEBATE THAT WAS SPONSORED BY THE CITY, AND I CAN'T -- UNTOLD GROUP NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS TO WHICH EVERYONE IS INVITED AND UNFORTUNATELY NOT EVERYBODY CAME. I'VE BEEN ACTIVE IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD SINCE 1937 -- EXCUSE ME, MY FAMILY

SINCE 1937. I'M NOT THAT OLD. 1967, EXCUSE ME. MY FAMILY 30 YEARS PRIOR TO THAT. WITH A THING CALLED HARDIN HOUSE DORMITORY, WHICH SERVES THE UNIVERSITY FRESHMAN LADIES. AND IN MY ASSOCIATION WITH STUDENT HOUSING, I HAVE COME TO HAVE A VERY CLOSE BOND WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS. THE LAST THREE YEARS I'VE DONATED ALMOST \$50,000 TO THE HARRY RANSOM HUMANITIES RESEARCH CENTER FOR THEIR STUDIES AND FOR THEIR PROJECTS. IT'S AN INCREDIBLE FACILITY FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT SEEN IT. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS WHEN I GREW UP AND WHEN I WENT TO SCHOOL IN THE 60'S WAS A CAMPUS THAT HAD AN IDENTITY, AND THE STUDENTS WERE PART OF THAT IDENTITY. AND OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS IT HAS BECOME -- 40 YEARS IT'S BECOME A COMMUTER CAMPUS. AND THAT'S A BAD THING. IT'S BAD FOR THE STUDENTS, IT'S BAD FOR THE CAMPUS, IT'S BAD FOR THESE NEIGHBORHOODS. WHAT YOU'RE FINDING IS OUTLYING AREAS THAT COME IN AND PARK THEIR CARS. THEY PARK THEM IN THE STREETS OF NUNA, THEY PARK THEM IN WEST CAMPUS. THEY EVEN PARK THEM IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD, WHICH IS EIGHT BLOCKS TO THE WEST OF MY OFFICE JUST ON THE OTHER SIDE OF LAMAR AND THEY RIDE THE SHUTTLE FROM WEST LYNN. NONE OF THIS IS GOOD FOR AUSTIN. RUNNING THE SHUTTLE IS EXPENSIVE, IT OVERLOADS OUR STREETS, POLLUTES OUR AIR, AND SO DO THESE CARS. SO THE CONCEPT OF THIS PLAN TO HAVE DENSITY AND FOCUS IT WHERE IT'S APPROPRIATE IS SOMETHING THAT JUST SEEMS SO EASY TO ACCEPT. IT SEEMS LIKE A NO BRAINER. AND WE'RE HOPING YOU AGREE WITH THAT. THE PROBLEM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS FACES, FRANKLY, AND I THINK I'VE TOLD YOU ALL THIS BEFORE, 51,000 STUDENTS, 6800 BEDS ON CAMPUS, ABOUT 12 TO 13%. THAT IS A VERY UNHEALTHY NUMBER TO SUSTAIN THE UNIVERSITY, AND TO CREATE AN ATTACHMENT FOR THESE KIDS TO WANT TO REMAIN CONNECTED TO THE UNIVERSITY BEYOND THEIR GRADUATION. I WANT TO REALLY CREATE A VALUABLE EXPERIENCE ON CAMPUS. I DON'T PRETEND TO BE AN EXPERT IN THIS. THIS IS WHAT THE UNIVERSITY SAYS. THEIR GOAL IS TO REACH ABOUT DO YOU BELIEVE THAT, ABOUT 25,000. NOW, THEY'RE GOING TO GET THERE, BUT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET THERE IN MY LIFETIME BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE A FUNDING SOURCE

TO DO IT. THE PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND, WHICH IS THE CASH COW, OR THE AVAILABLE UNIVERSITY FUND, WHICH IS THE INCOME OR THE MILK FROM THE COW, IS PROHIBITED FROM USE ON HOUSING, AS WE ALL KNOW. SO WE NEED TO STEP UP AND BE THE SOLUTION TO ONE OF OUR MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES. THERE IS AN AGENDA TO MAKE THE UNO OVERLAY IN PARTICULAR UNWORKABLE. AT FIRST IT STARTED OUT AS JUST A COMPLAINT THAT THERE WAS GOING TO BE TOO MUCH NEW HOUSING AND AT LOWER RATES. THAT'S NOT SUCH A BAD THING TO HAVE CHEAPER RENT RATES. THAT HAS MORPHED INTO BUILDINGS ARE TOO TALL AND NOW IT'S GOING TO TAKE THE FORM OF WELL, LET'S HAVE SOME MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BY GOLLY. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE TO YOU THAT THE PUBLIC DEBATE OVER TWO YEARS AND DOZENS AND DOZENS OF MEETINGS HAS RESULTED IN A FAIRLY CAREFULLY CRAFTED PLAN THAT HAS BEEN PROPERLY LOADED DOWN WITH A LOT OF REQUIREMENTS ON DEVELOPMENT. IT'S NOT JUST THE 10% REQUIREMENT FOR UNO, IT'S ALSO THE STREET SCAPE, WHICH IS INCREDIBLY EXPENSIVE. IT'S ALSO THE ARCHITECTURAL REQUIREMENTS ON HOW GARAGES ARE CONSTRUCTED, ON HOW BUILDINGS WERE BUILT. AND DON'T LOSE SIGHT OF THAT. CERTAINLY IF YOU ASK THE STUDENTS, THEY'RE GOING TO WANT TO SEE MORE PARKING, MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MORE OF EVERYTHING. BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS WE WANT TO SEE SOMETHING BUILT, NOT A PLAN ON A PIECE OF PAPER THAT NOBODY WILL BUILD. THANK YOU.

COUNCIL, MY NAME IS JERRY RAMASH, AND I'M PART OF THE UNHOLY TRINITY PRESIDENT THAT INCLUDES MARY KAY AND RICK IEBERSON BACK HERE FROM NUNA, NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. WHEN MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN SUGGESTED THAT SEVEN SOMEWHAT DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOODS COOPERATE IN A UNIFIED PLANNING EFFORT, I WAS FRANKLY CONCERNED IT WOULD BECOME AN UNWIELDILY, UNWORKABLE KIND OF SHOTGUN MARRIAGE WHERE WE WAS ALL FIGHTING FOR THE SAME SHEET. [LAUGHTER] AND -- BUT -- AND AS RICK JUST MENTIONED, THERE WERE SOME ROUGH MOMENTS INITIALLY, BUT I THINK WITH ANY CREATIVE VISIONARY KIND OF PROGRAM, YOU HAVE TO START AT THAT POINT

BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT SOME DIFFERENCES THAT CREATE MUCH RICHER SOLUTIONS IN THE END. AND WHAT HAPPENED -- AND ULTIMATELY THANKS TO CITY STAFF AND THANKS TO COUNCIL INPUT, WE WERE ABLE TO NOW BE THE KIND OF GROUP THAT'S HOLDING HANDS AND KINGING KUM BASEY BA YA THROUGH THIS PROCESS. BUT THERE'S GOOD REASONS FOR THIS PROCESS. THERE'S KIND OF THREE GOALS. WE TOUCHED ON THOSE AND I WANT TO REITERATE THEM BECAUSE I THINK THEY'RE SO IMPORTANT. FIRST, WE DECIDED THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO WORK TOGETHER WE'VE GOT TO CAPITALIZE AND ENHANCE THOSE QUALITIES OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THAT ARE REALLY SPECIAL. AND WHAT'S FUNNY IS THOSE ARE THE WORDS THAT WE HEARD NOT JUST FROM THE NORTH UNIVERSITY OR FROM THE OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS AROUND THAT HAD RESIDENTS -- A HIGH RESIDENTIAL AREA. WE HEARD THOSE WORDS FROM MIKE MCGINNIS. WE HEARD THE WORDS FROM RICK HARDIN, PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN LIVING HERE FROM A LONG TIME AND REALIZE THE VALUE OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, THE VALUE OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS A PLACE WE ALL WANT TO LIVE AND A PLACE WHERE WE AT LEAST I CAN'T SAY DON'T MIND PAYING TAXES, BUT SEE THE VALUE OF THOSE TAXES WE PAY BECAUSE OF THE CHARACTER OF THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS. SECOND, WE SAW THE NEED TO SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE DENSITY AROUND CAMPUS. I THINK RICK HARDIN AND SEVERAL OTHERS HAVE TOUCHED ON THAT POINT ALREADY. SO WE SAW THAT WE NEEDED TO DO IT IN A WAY THAT REPLACES OVERPRICED SUB ASSISTANT STUDENT WAREHOUSES WITH LIVING QUARTERS THAT BECOME VALUABLE, ATTRACTIVE STUDENT MAGNETS FOR U.T. YOU MIGHT NOT THINK THE STUDENTS AT -- THAT U.T. NEEDS TO ATTRACT MORE STUDENT, BUT IT DOES NEED TO ATTRACT A HIGH CALIBER OF STUDENT. AND FRANKLY, WE'VE GOT HOUSING RIGHT NOW THAT NEEDS TO BE REPLACED. AND WE'VE GOT TOO MUCH DEMAND AND NOT ENOUGH SUPPLY THAT DRIVES UP THE RENTS FOR THOSE SUBSTANDARD PROPERTIES. WE SAW THIS AS A SOLUTION FOR THAT. AND FINALLY, WE WANT TO HAVE A GENUINE IMPACT ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE CENTRAL CITY. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S BEEN LEFT OUT OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING EQUATION IS THAT WITHIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD THERE'S LOTS OF GARAGE APARTMENTS

THAT ARE STILL VERY AFFORDABLE RELATIVE TO HI-RISE APARTMENTS AND OTHER KIND OF APARTMENTS THAT EXIST. AND WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO PRESERVE THAT. IN FACT, WHAT WE DID ADOPT A PLAN, AND PART OF THE PLAN THAT WOULD ACCOMPLISH WHAT GOALS THAT ARE SOMEWHAT UNIQUE TO THE NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD AREA. WE HAD TO REPLACE THE RESIDENTIAL MINDSET OF NIMBY WITH AN ADVANTAGE OF MIMBY. WE'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT NIMBY, BUT WE HAVEN'T HEARD A LOT ABOUT MIMBY. THAT MEANS MORE IN MY BACKYARD. THERE'S CREATIVE WAYS TO DO THAT. WHAT WE'VE DISCOVERED WITH THE HELP OF THESE OTHER FOLKS IS THAT THERE'S WAYS THROUGH AN NCCD THAT WE CAN CREATE MORE DENSITY AND STILL PRESERVE THAT KIND OF CHARACTER. WELL, THE PROSPECTS OF THE NCCD PAYOFF ARE QUITE SUBSTANTIAL. IF YOU LISTEN TO THE REDEVELOPMENT THAT IT PROVIDES, IF YOU LISTEN TO THAT IN TERMS OF REDEVELOPMENT AND THE DENSITY THAT IT PROVIDES, IT GIVES US THE POSSIBILITY FOR 600 TO 1500 NEW UNITS IN NUNA ALONE. AND THAT'S, IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, DOWNTOWN WE'VE GOT 4700 NEW UNITS, AND THAT'S OVER A PERIOD OF TIME AND WITH A LOT OF EFFORT. BUT THIS PLAN, IF WE CAN PUT IT IN PLACE, WE HAD THE POSSIBILITY HITTING MAYBE A THIRD OF THAT WITHIN A FAIRLY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. BUT THERE'S MORE. STUDENTS WHO WILL BE THE PRIME TENANTS OF THE NUNA PROPERTIES, THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO KIND OF BUNCH UP TWO TO A BEDROOM, WHEREAS THE DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS ARE MORE SINGLE PROFESSIONALS, POSTGRADUATE FOLKS, SO WHAT WE'RE SEEING IS NOT ONLY ARE WE GOING TO GET MAYBE 1500 NEW UNITS, BUT WE'RE GOING TO GET MORE PEOPLE PER UNIT IN THOSE AREAS, WHICH IS INDEED WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH. SO WE'D LIKE TO THANK COUNCILMEMBER GOODMAN FOR HER FORESIGHT AND CONGRATULATE BOTH THE PLANNING STAFF, WHICH HAVE BEEN I AM MEASURABLY HELPFUL TO US IN THIS PROCESS, AND THE COUNCIL, FOR TRANSFORMING FORMER ENEMIES INTO A UNIFIED COMMUNITY PURSUING A TRULY BROADER, BETTER VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF AUSTIN. THANK YOU.

GOOD EVENING, I'M RICK IVERSON ALSO WITH NORTH

UNIVERSITY. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU TAKING THE TIME TO HEAR US OUT THIS EVENING OUT OF SOMETHING THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON FOR SUCH A LONG TIME. I KNOW THAT MARY KAY AND JAY AND I HAVE MET, ALONG WITH TOM BOWLED AND OTHER STAFF MEMBERS WITH OVER 3 DOZEN INTERESTED PARTIES, LANDOWNERS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND WE HAVE SOME WONDERFUL STORIES TO TELL YOU ABOUT SOME AGREEMENTS THAT WE'VE MADE WITH SOME VERY LARGE LANDOWNERS. WE HAVE EVEN MORE EXCITING NEWS ABOUT AGREEMENTS THAT IT WOULD REACH WITH MEDIUM SIZED LANDOWNERS AND THEN WE HAVE DONE SOME WONDERFUL THINGS WITH SMALL LANDOWNERS, AND WE HOPE THAT WE CAN GET INTO THAT WITH YOU AT A LATER DATE. BUT WHAT I'M HERE THIS EVENING TO TALK ABOUT IS ABOUT THE LARGEST SINGLE LANDOWNER IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND AN ORGANIZATION THAT WE'RE EXTREMELY PROUD OF. IT'S THE AUSTIN THEOLOGICAL PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY. IT'S JUST TO THE NORTH OF CAMPUS. WE NOW HAVE A VERY ACTIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH THIS ORGANIZATION. DR. LARRY FOSTER AND OTHER FINE STAFF MEMBERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF THAT ORGANIZATION. AND I HAVE HERE TONIGHT A LETTER SAYING THAT THEY FULLY SUPPORT THE NCCD AND OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. AND WE'RE VERY PROUD TO BRING YOU THIS LETTER THIS EVENING. AND JUST ONE FINAL NOTE IN CLOSING IS THAT FOR MANY OF US THAT LIVE IN THE NORTH CAMPUS AREA AND HAVE FOR MANY YEARS, WE KNOW THAT IT'S NOT -- IT'S NOT NEAR EASY ENOUGH FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE PEDESTRIANS AND BIKE RIDERS TO GO FROM THE NORTH CAMPUS AREA TO CAMPUS, SO WHAT WE'VE COME UP WITH WAS WE'VE COME UP WITH A NEW CROSS CUT THAT CROSSES THE AUSTIN THEOLOGICAL PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY, IT CROSSES ADAM'S PARK AND IT COMES OUT IMMEDIATELY BEHIND THE KIRBY HALL. AND SO THIS IS A UNIQUE PATHWAY THAT WE CAN -- WE CAN BRING STUDENTS TO AND FROM CAMPUS ON. IT WILL TREMENDOUSLY FACILITATE THAT MOVEMENT. AND IN ORDER TO DO THIS, WE NEED TO SWAP A LITTLE BIT OF PUBLIC LAND WITH SOME LAND THAT SEMINARY HAS, SO WE'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THAT LATER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS LINDA GUERRERO. I'M WITH HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE STARTED OUT WITH A BEAST, A VERY FEAR-BASED BEAST, AN UGLY ONE. AND WE NOW HAVE A LAMB. AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE IT, WE EMBRACE IT, WE HAVE TAKEN OWNERSHIP IN IT, AND WE'VE NAMED IT (INDISCERNIBLE). I LIVE TWO BLOCKS FROM THE HOUSE THAT I SPENT MY CHILDHOOD. MY PARENTS SPENT THEIR LIFE ON THE LAND THEY BOUGHT FROM MY GRAND FATHER WHEN HE SUBDIVIDED HIS BACKYARD. WE UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE THE ABILITY TO SUBDIVIDE PROPERTY. THE PROBLEM LIES IN WHAT ONE BUILDS ON IT. I AM EMOTIONALLY ATTACHED TO MY NEIGHBORHOOD. I ATTENDED ROBERT E. LEE ELEMENTARY, BAKER JUNIOR HIGH AND GRADUATED FROM STEVEN F. AUSTIN IN '73, THE ORIGINAL ONE, NOT THE CONDO ON THE LAKE. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HAS BEEN PARTICIPATING AND PROCESSING GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AND DENSITY ISSUES FOR GENERATIONS. WE CONTINUE TO SHIFT AND TRANSITION YEARLY AS CONCORDIA, ST.DAVID'S, THE SEMINARY, AND U.T. EXPAND THEIR HOLDINGS. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS EXTREMELY TOLERANT OF CHANGE AND RATHER ECLECTIC. WE ARE PRO STUDENT, PRO UP-PI, I DON'T YIPPY, PRO SLACKERS, AND WE MAKE ENORMOUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO KEEPING AUSTIN WEIRDO A DAILY BASIS. HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ENDURED BOTH TRAGEDIES AND TRY UMPs FOR -- TRIUMPHS FOR GENERATIONS. HOWEVER IN RECENT YEARS STRESS AND PRESSURE HAS CREATED A HUGE TOLL ON US. THE FABRIC HAS BEGUN TO UNRAVEL. THIS PLAN, OUR PLAN, GIVES US A STRONG SENSE OF HOPE. I URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN THIS MATTER.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS DON LARSON AND I AM PRESIDENT OF THE HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND LIKE MY NEIGHBOR LINDA, I GRADUATED FROM THE OLD AUSTIN HIGH IN 1972. I'M MUCH OLDER THAN SHE IS. THE HAN ROCK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION VOTED TO SUPPORT THIS PLAN IN FULL. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I DO NEED TO SAY FIRST IS TO

JACKIE A PATIENT AND TIRELESS WORKER, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD IN PART GREW UP AROUND A GOLF COURSE AND A COUNTRY CLUB. WE HAVE SOME OF THE FINEST ESTATES IN AUSTIN. BOTH SIDES AREA, THE PERRY ESTATE. THIS PLAN PROTECTS THOSE AREAS. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ARE ADDING DENSITY. WE ARE ADDING DENSITY ALONG THE BOULEVARDS, WE ARE ADDING DENSITY NEAR CONCORDIA, OUR UNIVERSITY. AND THAT DENSITY WILL HELP THE CITY OF AUSTIN GROW AND GROW SMARTLY. AT THE SAME TIME, WHILE WE HAVE THE ESTATES, WE ALSO HAVE VERY, VERY MODEST STUDENT HOUSING. THIS PLAN PROTECTS THAT DIVERSITY. THIS PLAN ALSO PROTECTS THE GREAT VARIETY OF NEIGHBORS THAT WE HAVE. FROM PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN RETIRED FOR A BLESSEDLY LONG TIME, THE LITTLE ONES IN STROLLERS THAT KEEP POPPING UP ON OUR STREETS. THIS PLAN PROTECTS THEM. THIS PLAN PROTECTS LEE ELEMENTARY, THE HISTORIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE MIDDLE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THAT WILL BE THE PLACE WHERE THESE KIDS WILL BE ATTENDING SCHOOL. WHEN THIS PLAN STARTED, WHILE OUR NEIGHBORS WERE FINDING FRIENDS AMONG ENEMIES, HONOR COCK NEIGHBORHOOD -- HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD WAS FIGHTING 12 BEDROOM DUPLEX MONSTROCITIES. THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TO ADDRESS AND SOLVE THAT PROBLEM. ONE REASON WHY HANCOCK NEIGHBORHOOD STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE UNO ELEMENT OF THIS PLAN IS THAT WE BELIEVE THAT THE UNO ELEMENT OF THIS PLAN WILL HELP US AVOID SOME OF THOSE OBSCENE EXAMPLES OF INCREASED DENSITY. WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS PLAN IN FULL. THANK YOU.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS DANA TWOMBLEY AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF EAST WOODZ NEIGHBORHOOD AND I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU FOR A FEW MINUTES ABOUT EASTWOOD AND ITS HERITAGE. EASTWOOD IS BOUND BY DUVAL, 32nd, 35 AND DEAN DEKY3 TON. IT IS NOT A LARGE AREA, BUT IT IS FULL OF HISTORY. SO IF YOU WILL BEAR WITH ME, I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE A SENSE OF THAT HISTORY WITH YOU. I WILL START SMALL AND BUILD OUT BIG. LET'S START WITH THE EASTWOOD'S PARK. IT IS ONE OF THE OLDEST PARKS IN AUSTIN. IT IS ONE OF THE PARKS THAT STARTED EYORE'S BIRTHDAY AND

CONTINUES TO GROW AND SHARE IN THE COMMUNITY WITH KIDS AND PETS AND ADULTS, THAT IS, IF YOU CAN BE AN ADULT IN THE PARK. ALSO, ONE OF THE -- THE J. FRANK DOBIE HOMES, AND HE WAS BORN IN 1888 AND DIED IN 1964. HE BUILT HIS HOME ALONG DEAN KEATON IN 1925 AND LIVED THERE UNTIL HE DEEDED IT OVER TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS. THERE IS ALSO THE ATLIN GER HOME THAT IS AT THE CORNER OF 32nd AND HARRIS PARK AVENUE. AND THERE'S ALSO THE RATHER HOUSE WHICH IS PART OF THE COLLEGE COURT SUBDIVISION WHICH INCLUDES WRATHER BY PLACE, BELLEVUE PLACE AND HARRIS PARK AVENUE. IT IS ALSO CURRENTLY THE HOME OF THE EPISCOPAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE SOUTHWEST. THE RATHER HOUSE WAS ORIGINALLY OWNED BY ALMA RATHER AND EARNEST JOSEPH (INDISCERNIBLE). AND SHE DEEDED IT TO THE EPISCOPAL SEMINARY IN 1956. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN EASTWOOD'S WHO HAVE OWNED THEIR HOMES FOR GENERATIONS. FOR INSTANCE, DELL WOMACK PURCHASED HIS HOME FROM HIS PARENTS. THEY BUILT THEIR HOUSE IN 1929. AND THE WOMACK'S CURRENTLY HAVE FIVE GENERATIONS PLAYING IN WALLER CREEK. MRS. McCLAIRERY'S PARENTS BUILT HIS HOME IN 1951. THEIR ARCHITECT WAS THE SAME ARCHITECT AS THAT FOR THE SEMINARY. MRS. McCAREY WILL IN TURN -- HER MOTHER PASSED IT ALONG TO HER AND SHE IN TURN WILL PASS IT ON TO HER DAUGHTER, WHO ALSO LIVES HERE IN AUSTIN. LYNN TEEN'S HOME WAS BUILT IN 1914 BY A DOCTOR AND HIS WIFE WHO OWNED IT UNTIL HER DEATH IN 1980. MY HOME WAS BUILT IN 1935 BY THE CAVANAUGH'S AND WAS BOUGHT BY MY FATHER-IN-LAW. HE WAS A PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND HAS LIVED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD SINCE 1962. ALL OF HIS KIDS WENT TO ROBERT E. LEE. ALL FOUR OF MY KIDS HAVE GONE OR ARE GOING TO ROBERT E. LEE. AND MY KIDS ALWAYS FIGHT OVER WHO WILL HAVE MY HOUSE. AND WHEN I TELL THEM THAT I'M GOING TO SELL IT, THEY SAY OH, YOU CAN'T, IT'S THE FAMILY HOUSE. ANYWAY, I COULD GO ON AD NAUSEAM ABOUT EASTWOODS AND THE OWNERS, HOWEVER, I HOPE THAT I HAVE GIVEN Y'ALL A SENSE OF HOW STRONGLY THE FOLKS REALLY FEEL ABOUT THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE LEGACY THAT THEY ARE LEAVING BEHIND. EASTWOOD'S IS DEFINITELY A MIXED USE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE MANY

PROPERTY OWNERS THAT RENT. WE HAVE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT WITH ST.DAVID'S THAT IS CURRENTLY BEING BUILT AND WE HAVE THE FRAT HOUSE THAT BACKS UP TO ELMWOOD. WE ALSO HAVE MANY SEMINARIANS WHO CURRENTLY LIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE SEMINARY HAS ALSO A VERY STRONG TIE IN THIS COMMUNITY. THEY ARE IN THEIR 52nd YEAR THERE AND ARE LOOKING TO EXPAND AND GROW. AND THEY ARE JUST A SMALL EQUATION OF WHY I'M HERE TONIGHT. THE NEIGHBORHOOD FIRST STARTED DISCUSSIONS WITH EASTWOODS ABOUT THEIR EXPANSION, AND THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO MEETING OF THE MINDS. THEY WERE CLEARLY DIVIDED AND NEITHER SIDE WAS GOING TO BUDGE. THE SEMINARY KEPT BRINGING NEW PLANS, TRYING TO FIND WAYS TO APIECE THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND YET EVERY TIME THEY DID, ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER COULD NOT AGREE ON WHAT WAS GOING ON. SO LYNN TEAM AND RAY TUCKER, WHO ARE EASTWOODS REPRESENTATIVES IN THE CENTRAL PLANNING NEIGHBORHOOD, DISCUSSED THE DIFFICULTY REGARDING THE SEMINARY AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND ASKED FOR HELP IN TRYING TO RESOLVE THESE ISSUES. SO MEMBERS OF CANPAC, EASTWOOD AND THE SEMINARY SAT DOWN TOGETHER AND OVER A RELATIVELY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME DRAFTED A PROPOSAL THAT WAS AGREEABLE TO BOTH THE SEMINARY AND THE EASTWOODS NEIGHBORHOOD. IT IS TRULY AMAZING, HERE WE WERE DIVIDED BY A LARGE BRICK WALL, AND LITTLE BY LITTLE, THAT WALL CAME TUMBLING DOWN. WE HAVE HAD MANY EXPERTS ON THIS TEAM, AND I WANT TO MAKE A NOTE OF TEAMS. THE CITY PLANNING STAFF, AND PARTICULARLY JACKIE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HUDE -- SHUDER, WHO HAS COME TO ENDLESS NIGHTTIME SHEEGHTS. SHE HAS ANSWERED ALL OF THESE DIFFICULT ZONING QUESTIONS. WE HAVE HAD KAREN MCGRAW, WHO HAD RECENTLY HELPED THE NEIGHBORS IN HYDE PARK WITH THEIR ISSUES INVOLVING THE HYDE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, RICHARD SUTTLE, WHO JOINED IN THE EFFORT WITH EAST WOODZ AS WELL. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY FOR THE FIRST TIME, I HAVE REALLY FELT A SENSE OF COMMUNITY, SOMETHING THAT WAS LARGER THAN ME, MY NEIGHBORS OR EASTWOODS, A WHOLE SENSE OF PURPOSE BEHIND WHAT WE WERE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH. WE HAVE

FOLKS HERE WHO HAVE SPENT COUNTLESS OF HOURS PUTTING THE PLAN TOGETHER, AND AN AMAZING PLAN. AND IT IS THE PLAN OF A COMMUNITY, NOT JUST A FACTION. IT IS MADE UP OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF EACH AND EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD THAT HAS COME TOGETHER SLOWLY AND TIRELESSLY OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS AND HAVE WORKED ON ALL THE PIECES OF THE PUZZLE, PUTTING IT TOGETHER PIECE BY PIECE TO FORM THE WHOLE PICTURE. AND I REALLY HOPE THAT YOU'LL SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR WYNN AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL. MY NAME IS MICHAEL GRIMES. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD. I LIVE ON 32nd STREET ABOUT A BLOCK BEHIND HALF-PRICED BOOKS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK THIS EVENING IN FAVOR OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. I'M ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AND I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH A GREAT MANY NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS, BUSINESS AND PROPERTY OWNERS AND, OF COURSE, THE CITY STAFF OVER THE LAST MANY MONTHS TO HELP DEVISE A PLAN THAT WE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION THINK WILL REALLY DO GREAT THINGS FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE DECADES TO COME. THE PLAN HAS REALLY BROAD SUPPORT WITHIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND I URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF IT. ONE OF THE COOLEST ASPECTS OF THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD IS REALLY ITS DIVERSITY OF BUILDINGS AND USES. THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS ANCHORED BY SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES THAT DATE ANYWHERE FROM AROUND THE TIME OF TEXAS INDEPENDENCE ALL THE WAY TO AROUND SOME OF THE NEWER HOUSES WERE BUILT IN THE 1930'S. MANY OF THEM ARE OWNER OCCUPIED AND MANY OTHERS SERVE AS RENTAL HOMES FOR STUDENTS AND PROFESSIONALS ALIKE. THERE ARE ALSO MANY HIGH DENSITY APARTMENT COMPLEXES AND CONDOMINIUM BUILDINGS THAT SERVE STUDENTS AND NON-STUDENTS AS WELL. THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS ALSO SURROUNDED ON ITS PERIMETER BY BUSINESSES, AND MANY OF THOSE PROVIDE ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO RESIDENTS FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND ALSO SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS AND OF COURSE THERE ARE ALSO MANY MEDICAL OFFICES BECAUSE OF OUR PROXIMITY TO 38TH

AND LAMAR. THIS MIXTURE OF BUSINESSES AND HIGH DENSITY HOUSE FORMS A FABRIC THAT WE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD REALLY LIKE. WE SUPPORT THE PLAN BECAUSE IT ALLOWS US TO PRESERVE THE CHARACTER AS NEW DEVELOPMENT OCCURS OVER THE COMING YEARS. EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE SO MUCH HIGH DENSITY HOUSING TODAY, WE IDENTIFIED SOME NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVEN MORE HIGH DENSITY DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE PLAN. BUT TO PRESERVE AN OVERALL BALANCE WE ALSO NEED TO PROTECT THE REMAINING SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES. AND THE PLAN DOES THIS BY CHANGING THE ZONING ON THESE PROPERTIES TO MATCH THEIR CURRENT USE. HOMES SHOULD BE ZONED AS HOMES AND THE PLAN DOES THIS WITHOUT MAKING ANY EXISTING USES NONCONFORMING. THE PLAN IS GREAT FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE IT PROTECTS THE VIABILITY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD AS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE AND A GREAT PLACE FOR BUSINESS. A DIRECT RESULT OF THIS IS THAT THE PROPERTY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ALSO BECOMES MORE DESIRABLE AND MORE VALUABLE. WHICH IS OF BENEFIT BOTH TO THE OWNERS AND THE CITY'S TAX BASE. THIS PLAN WILL DIVIDE DEVELOPMENT THAT IS RATIONAL AND COMPLIMENTARY AND GROWTH THAT IS APPROPRIATE TO A MIXTURE THAT WORKS VERY WELL TODAY. I APPRECIATE THE DIFFICULTY OF THE DECISION YOU HAVE TO MAKE ON THIS PLAN AND THE COMING ZONING CASES AND UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. YOU'LL HEAR SOME VALID CONCERNS, BUT THESE ARE ALL CONCERNS THAT I BELIEVE BY TAKING A LONGER TERM PERSPECTIVE CAN ALL BE OVERCOME. THE PLAN IS THE BEST LONG-TERM OPTION TO GUIDE THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD AS IT EINVOLVES IN A SMART WAY THAT PROTECTS THE TRAITS THAT MAKE IT SO ATTRACTIVE IN THE FIRST PLACE. WE WELCOME THE CHANGES THAT CENTRAL AUSTIN WILL SEE AS THE CITY CONTINUES TO THRIVE, BUT WE NEED THE PLAN IN PLACE FOR IT ALL TO MAKE SENSE. THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPORTS THE PLAN, AND I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT IT AS WELL. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, SIR.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. MY NAME IS JUAN COTERA. I WILL INTRODUCE PART OF THIS PRESENTATION.

AND THEN PHIL REED, MY PARTNER, WHO WILL INTRODUCE HIMSELF, WILL GO INTO MORE DETAIL. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT PHIL AND I ARE INVOLVED SINGULARLY WITH THE OVERALL PORTION OF THIS PLAN AND SPECIFICALLY WITH THE WRITING OF THE FIDELINE. WE WERE BROUGHT TO THIS -- WITH THE GUIDELINES. WE WERE BROUGHT TO THIS BY THE PARTNERS TO HELP CRAFT DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE OVERLAY. THE GOAL OF THE GUIDELINES IS TO CREATE A VIABLE, VIBRANT PEDESTRIAN COMMUNITY ADJACENT TO THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS. PHIL, WHO AS A PRINCIPAL IN CHARGE OF DEVELOPING THE GUIDELINES AND AS THE PRIMARY AUTHOR, THEN WILL PICK IT UP FROM HERE AND GO INTO A LITTLE MORE DETAIL. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. COTERA.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR, I'M PHILLIP REED. I AM AN ARCHITECT HERE IN AUSTIN AND JUAN'S PARTNER. AND ONE THING JUAN DIDN'T MENTION IS THAT HE AND I ARE BOTH DESIGN COMMISSIONERS HERE AND HAVE BEEN FOR A LONG TIME. AND AS HE SAID, WE WERE INVOLVED SPECIFICALLY WITH WRITING THE ARCHITECTURAL GUIDELINES THAT ARE A COMPONENT OF THE OVERLAY AND THE ORDINANCE THAT WE'VE COME TO KNOW. I WANT TO MAKE AN OBVIOUS PARALLEL BETWEEN SOME OF THE WORK WE DID AS DESIGN COMMISSIONERS, ALTHOUGH THIS WAS NOT A DESIGN COMMISSION SANCTIONED PROCESS. WITH THE ARCHITECTURAL GUIDELINES THAT WE WROTE FOR DOWNTOWN AUSTIN. IN THE SENSE THAT THIS IS SIMILARLY A CARROT STICK SORT OF SITUATION FOR DEVELOPERS WHERE WHILE THEY GET A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF ENTITLEMENTS ON THEIR PROPERTY, SHOULD THEY PROVIDE CERTAIN AMENITIES TO THE CITY AND ACCEPT CERTAIN LIMITATIONS WITHIN THEIR DEVELOPMENT THAT MIGHT MAKE IT A MORE WALKABLE, LIVEABLE COMMUNITY ADJACENT TO U.T. UNLIKE DOWNTOWN, THESE BUILDINGS WOULD BE SOMEWHAT SMALLER, PRIMARILY RESIDENTIAL. IT'S NOT A RETAIL NEIGHBORHOOD, PER SE, LIKE WE'RE LOOKING AT FOR DOWNTOWN. THERE'S A LITTLE BIT LESS BUSINESS INVOLVED, A LOT MORE PEOPLE LIVING THERE AND SLIGHTLY SMALLER SCALE. OUR GUIDELINES WERE ATTEMPTED BASICALLY TO ADDRESS THE SHAPE AND

CHARACTER OF THE BUILDINGS THAT WOULD COME IN. AND WHILE THEY'RE SOMEWHAT NOT COMPLICATED, BUT SOMEWHAT INVOLVED, POINTS WE ADDRESSED SPECIFICALLY WERE THE STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENTS TO SOME DEGREE, THE TREES, THE SIDEWALKS, THE THINGS, A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE TALKED ABOUT THAT ALREADIMENT WE ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE SHAPE OF THE BUILDINGS, THE SETBACKS THAT WOULD ALLOW SUN TO COME IN, SETBACKS ALONG THE STREET WALL THAT WOULD ACTUALLY MAKE IT FEEL LIKE A SMALLER SCALED NEIGHBORHOOD, SO AT 60 FEET THE BUILDINGS KIND OF PULL BACK, WHICH IS ABOUT WHAT YOU WOULD SEE IN SOME OLDER AMERICAN CITIES LIKE IN PARIS. WE ALSO ADDRESSED THE COMPOSITION OF THE BUILDING, PARTICULARLY THE COMPOSITION IN THE WAY THAT IT ACCEPTED THE PARKING COMPONENT. WE LOOKED AT CASTILLIAN, WE LOOKED AT MODELS WHERE YOU HAD A VERY TALL BUILDING SET BACK FROM A VERY LARGE PARKING GARAGE THAT MIGHT GO UP SIX OR SEVEN FLOORS. AND THE PROBLEM WE FOUND WITH THOSE BUILDINGS IS IT SEEMS LIKE IF YOU JUST LET THEM LINE THE STREET BLOCK AFTER BLOCK, YOU COULDN'T SEE THE TOWER BEHIND IT AND YOU ACTUALLY JUST FELT LIKE YOU WERE WALKING AMONG A BUNCH OF PARKING GARAGES. SO THE THOUGHT WAS WE NEED TO PULL SOME OF THAT HABITABLE SPACE DOWN AND WHAT THE GUIDELINES SUGGESTED WAS THAT IF YOU OPT IN, YOU GET TO USE A SLIGHTLY MORE COMPRESSED PARKING MODULE BECAUSE WE THOUGHT PEOPLE WOULD BE LIVING HERE. WE WOULDN'T CHANGE THE NUMBER, BUT THE SIZE OF THE DRIVE AISLES AND THINKS LIKE THAT, WHICH LET'S THE BUILDING COME IN A LITTLE BIT. WHICH TAKES THE FLOOR OR TWO OFF THE TOP OF IT AND LET THE APARTMENT COME DOWN AND HIT THE STREET. AND PRIMARILY WE DID THIS ALONG THE STREETS THAT GO EAST AND WEST AND CONNECT EIGHT MENTIES IN SHOAL CREEK. THESE ARE OUR PRIMARY PEDESTRIAN PATHS. WE ALSO LOOKED AT SERVICES AND SAID THAT THESE BUILDINGS -- RECEIPT NOW THERE TENDS TO BE A HAPHAZARD WAY OF ADDRESSING SERVICES OR DUMPSTERS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND THINGS LIKE THAT. BUT EACH BUILDING NEEDED TO DEAL WITH THAT AS AN ISSUE AND LOCK INTO A WAY THAT THEY

WERE GOING ADDRESS IT. PRIMARILY COMING OFF THE ALLEY IF THEY CAN OR WITHIN A SERVICE YARD THAT WAS OFF THE STREET. LUCKILY, AS WE GOT A SET OF GUIDELINES ROUGHED OUT, IT TURNED OUT THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL PROJECTS THAT YOU MAY KNOW OF THAT WERE READY TO PROCEED, BUT WE'RE KIND OF WAITING TO SEE WHETHER THIS WOULD GO THROUGH AND WAITING TO SEE IF WE WOULD GET A VARIANCE. AND WE'RE ABLE IT LOOK AT THESE EXISTING PROJECTS AND THEIR FUNCTIONS AND THE SIZE OF THEM, THEIR PROGRAM, AND TRY TO SEE HOW THE GUIDELINES WOULD TEST FIT ON THESE PROJECTS. THE NICE THING ABOUT THAT WAS THAT IT ALLOWED US TO DO SOMETHING THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO DO AS A GUIDELINE FOR DOWNTOWN, WHICH WAS WE COULD SEE WHETHER THEY WORKED OR NOT, KIND OF RIGHT OFF THE BAT. WHILE I WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT THESE THINGS -- ORDINANCE LIKE THIS WOULD ALWAYS BE CHANGED AND IMPROVED OVER TIME, I THINK WE GOT A PRETTY GOOD BIT ON THE FIRST TRY. AGAIN, AS JUAN SAID, WE ARE NOT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WE ARE CONTRACTORS WORKING FOR UNIVERSITY AREA PARTNERS. AT THE SAME TIME, I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY AS A CITIZEN, I COMPLETELY SUPPORT THE PROCESS. IT'S BEEN A WONDERFUL THING TO HAVE GONE THROUGH. I THINK THE THINGS THAT AL AND JOHN AND BARBARA CAME UP WITH A REALLY BRILLIANT SCHEME. AND GOING OUT, I'VE -- GOING OUT AS A VIBRANT ENVIRONMENTALIST, SAYING THINGS LIKE DENSITY IS REALLY GOOD AND I THINK WE NEED TO SUPPORT IT WHEN WE HAVE THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY LIKE THIS. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. REED.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. MY NAME IS LYNN TEAM. I LIVE IN EAST WOODZ, BUT I WAS PART OF THE COMMITTEE THAT GUIDED THIS PLANNING PROCESS THE LAST TWO YEARS. THE FIRST THING WE DID WHEN WE HEARD WHAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE TO DO, THAT WE WERE GOING TO BE THROWN IN A SACK AND FORCED TO GET ALONG WITH ALL THESE BAD PEOPLE WAS CALL A MEETING AND WE MET WITH THE CITY MANAGER AND ALL THE PLANNING STAFF ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE MOST JUNIOR PEOPLE. AND WE SAID WE DON'T THINK THIS IS

GOING TO WORK, WE THINK IT'S A BAD IDEA, WE DON'T TRUST THE CITY, WE DON'T TRUST THE OTHER PEOPLE. AND AS YOU'VE HEARD TONIGHT, WE'RE ALL IN THIS GREAT IEW NAN ANYMORETY. IT'S LIKE A FIGHT WHEN IT'S OVER AND EVERYBODY HAS MADE UP, THE FEELING IS SO INTENSE AND SO SATISFYING AND SO GOOD, SO THAT'S WHY WE ALL KEEP TALKING ABOUT IT SO MUCH. I HOPE YOU DON'T GET BORED TOO BADLY. ONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT I LEARNED TO TRUST AND APPRECIATE IS RICHARD SUTTLE. WHEN THE EPISCOPAL PEOPLE TOLD ME, JOHN BENNETT WATERS TOLD ME HE HAD HIRED RICHARD SUTTLE BECAUSE WE WERE HAVING A DISPUTE ABOUT HOW THE SEMINARY AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD WERE GOING TO INTERACT, I SAID DAMN IT, JOHN, THAT'S THE STUPIDEST THING I EVER HEARD ANYBODY DO. WHY DID YOU DO THAT!??? [LAUGHTER] AND NOW -- COME UP HERE, RICHARD.

Mayor Wynn: MS. TEAM, MR. SUTTLE INEXPIRES A LOT OF PROFANITY.

WELL, I WORKED FOR THE CHURCH FOR 30 YEARS AND THEY NEVER STRAIGHTENED OUT MY LANGUAGE. BUT JOHN BENNETT AND RICHARD SUTTLE AND DANA AND I AND ALL THE FOLKS THAT HAVE HELPED US SURROUND US AND SAY OKAY, Y'ALL WORK IT OUT, ALL THESE OTHER PEOPLE FROM THE OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS, AND IT WORKED. AND WE DO HAVE A GOOD AGREEMENT. AND WE FEEL PROUD OF IT. AND MR. MCHONE, THE FIRST EVENING I SAT ACROSS THE ABLE FROM HIM WHEN WE WERE GOING TO DO THE VISIONING EXERCISE IN A LITTLE SMALL GROUP AND I THOUGHT LORD, THAT MAN CAN'T HAVE ANY VISION! [LAUGHTER] BY THE TIME THE CONVERSATION WAS OVER, I WAS ABOUT HALFWAY IN LOVE. HE AND RICK HARDIN WERE SITTING OVER THERE... BUT IT'S TRUE, IT'S THE VISION. I'M NOT A TECHNICAL PERSON LIKE REED AND COTERA, BUT THEY PAINTED THE PICTURES. IT WAS A VISION OF WHAT OUR COMMUNITY COULD BE. IN ALL ITS PARTS, BUT ALL GREATER THAN THE SUM OF ITS PARTS, THE WHOLE WOULD BE. SO IT WAS THAT VISION I THINK THAT WE CELEBRATE. AND THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE SPEAKING WITH ME, BUT THEY DON'T WANT TO BE SEEN UP HERE WITH A WOMAN THAT TALKS LIKE THIS.

OH, LORDY, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, I'M RICHARD SUTTLE, PROUD TO BE HERE TONIGHT TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THIS PROCESS. I HAD CLIENTS IN THREE OF THE DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOODS THAT HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ZONING AND WHAT WAS HAPPENING TO THEIR CASES, AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE SCHNEIDER FAMILY AND THE WILLIAMS FAMILY WORKED THEIR STUFF OUT AND WE STARTED WORK ON THE SEMINARY. AND IT WAS AN INTERESTING START. BACK IN THE '80'S WHEN I STARTED DOING THIS, WE HAD A VERY CIVILIZED SYSTEM IN THIS CITY. YOU HAD MEETINGS YOU COULD. EVERYBODY HAD REMAIN. IT WAS NOT UNUSUAL TO FIND PEOPLE WHO DIFFERED ON OPINIONS HAVING COFFEE WITH ONE ANOTHER, SOCIALIZING WITH ONE ANOTHER. AND SOMEWHERE OUR CITY JUMPED THE TRACK. I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHERE IT WAS, BUT AT SOME POINT OUR CITY JUMPED THE TRACK AND ALL OF A SUDDEN INSTEAD OF TALKING ABOUT ISSUES, WE WERE TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE AND PEOPLE WERE DEMONIZED AND RESPECT WAS LOST AND ISSUES WERE OBJECT SCIEWRD. I'M HERE TO REPORT TONIGHT THAT THIS PROCESS FOR ME HAS BEEN A HEALING PROCESS. IT WAS EMOTIONAL. PEOPLE GOT TOGETHER, WORKED HARD, THE RESPECT CAME BACK. AND AGREEMENTS WERE REACHED AND THEY WERE GOOD AGREEMENTS. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR THAT. AND I THINK WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE WAY IT USED TO BE, AT LEAST IN THIS AREA. BECAUSE IT'S ENJOYABLE AGAIN. SO I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL THESE FOLKS AND THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. SUTTLE.

GOOD EVENING, MR. MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL. MY NAME IS DWIGHT STEWART, AND I'M AN ECONOMIST THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS COMMISSIONED TO DO A STUDY ON THE ECONOMIC ASPECT OF THE PLAN. SO WHAT I WANT TO DO IS TELL YOU WHAT ABOUT THOSE EFFECTS WOULD BE. PROBABLY STARTING WITH THE MOST OBVIOUS EFFECT OF THE PLAN, IF THE REDEVELOPING GOES AS PLANNED, IF THE PROPOSAL GOES THROUGH, IT'S A SIMPLE DOLLARS AND CENTS IS PART OF IT. WHAT I KIND OF LOOKED AT, LOOKING AT THE DATA, LOOKING AT OTHER PLANS SIMILAR TO WHAT THEY'RE PROPOSING, AND YOU LOOK AT THE EFFECT, IT'S RUFFLE ABOUT WHAT YOU

WOULD EXPECT -- ROUGHLY WHAT YOU WOULD EXPECT FROM A BALLPARK, LIKE DALLAS THE ONE THEY'RE PROPOSING, THE EFFECT WHICH WOULD BE \$500 MILLION OR SO OVER THE PLANNING PERIOD, WHICH IS FROM WHAT I'M UNDERSTANDING OVER 10, 15 YEARS. SO SUBSTANTIAL. OF COURSE, WHENEVER THERE'S THAT MUCH OF INFLUX OF DOLLARS, THERE'S NEW JOBS. IN TERMS OF JOBS, SOMEWHERE IN THE AREA OF 3500 TO 4500 NEW JOBS CREATED IN THE AUSTIN AREA. IN ADDITION TO THAT, OF COURSE, NEW ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND NEW JOB, NEW TAXES, AND IN TERMS OF THE TAX BASE, JUST IN THE AREA - I PRETTY MUCH FOCUSED ON WEST CAMPUS, A MINIMUM OF 30% INCREASE IN THE TAX BASE. AND THEN WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE PROPERTY TAXES THERE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 1 AND \$2 MILLION ADDITIONAL IN THE PROPERTY TAXES AS THE LOWER VALUE HOUSES ARE DEVELOPED INTO HIGHER VALUE PROPERTIES. SO THOSE ARE THE DOLLARS AND CENTS. TO ME, THEY'RE SUBSTANTIAL. AS A UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS GRADUATE AND EX-UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PROFESSORER IN THE ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT, I KIND OF HAVE A DEEPER -- THE PART THAT APPEALED TO ME A LITTLE BIT MORE -- I WOULD SAY AS MUCH AS THE ECONOMICS PART -- IS THE EFFECT ON THE UNIVERSITY. I THINK IT WILL BE HUGE. WHEN YOU LOOK AT WHAT COULD BE BUILT THERE IN TERMS OF STUDENT HOUSING, YOU'RE LOOKING AT SOMEWHERE AROUND 7,700 TO ABOUT 9,500 ADDITIONAL STUDENTS THAT COULD LIVE CLOSE TO THE CAMPUS. WHEN YOU LOOK AT IT IN TERMS OF WHERE THE STUDENTS LIVE NOW, IF YOU LOOK AT RIVERSIDE AND FAR WEST, ABOUT HALF OF THOSE STUDENTS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE CLOSE TO THE CAMPUS, IF THEY CHOOSE TO. THAT'S HUGE. WHAT EFFECT WILL THAT HAVE IN IT'S PRETTY CLEAR WHEN YOU LOOK AT STUDIES AND PERSONAL ANECDOTAL EXPERIENCE, IT'S CLEAR TO ME THAT THE CLOSER YOU ARE TO THE CAMPUS, THE MORE AFFINITY YOU HAVE FOR THE CAMPUS, AND THAT'S BORNE OUT WHEN YOU LOOK AT RETENTION AND RECRUITMENT RATE, THE TIME IT TAKES TO GRADUATE, ALL THE FACTORS ARE POSITIVELY AFFECTED BY HOW CLOSE PEOPLE ARE TO THE CAMPUS. SO I THINK THE FACT OF BRINGING PEOPLE CLOSE TO THE CAMPUS WILL BE HUGE, AND THAT WILL PAY DIVIDENDS WELL PAST THE TEN OR 15 YEARS OF THE

CONSTRUCTION. THE OTHER PART OF THE PLAN THAT WE LOOKED AT IN TERMS OF THE ECONOMICS WAS THE LOWER INCOME HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES. IT'S CLEAR FROM THE EARLIER PRESENTATION THAT THERE WILL BE A CERTAIN AMOUNT SET ASIDE, I BELIEVE, 10% FOR ABOUT 15 YEARS. THAT'S GOING TO HAVE AN EFFECT. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WILL COME OUT OF IT AS WELL IS IF STUDENTS RELOCATE IN OTHER AREAS OF TOWN, PARTICULARLY THE RIVERSIDE, YOU WILL SEE LOW INCOME HOUSING FOR AUSTIN RESIDENTS AS WELL SO THAT'S ANOTHER BIG BONUS TO THIS PROPOSAL. I THINK, FINALLY, ONE PART OF THIS IS -- WHEN I FIRST STARTED HERE -- SCHOOL HERE IN THE '80s AND FINISHED UP IN 1990, ONE OF THE BIG THINGS GOING ON AT THAT TIME WAS ALL OF THE DEVELOPMENT THAT WAS GOING ON EAST -- FOR THE UNIVERSITY THAT WAS GOING ON EAST OF 35, AND THERE WAS A LOT OF DEBATE ON THAT IN TERMS OF YOU WOULD SEE STUDENT DEVELOPMENTS COMING UP AND HISTORICALLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN AREA OF TOWN AND, YOU KNOW, THESE DUPLEXES AND THOSE TYPES OF DEVELOPMENTS. I THINK THIS TYPE OF PROPOSAL HAS A POTENTIAL TO REALLY PRESERVE THAT AREA OF TOWN BECAUSE, CLEARLY, IF YOU CAN ENCOURAGE GROWTH ON THE WEST SIDE OF I-35, THAT COULD DEFINITELY HAVE EFFECT ON PRESERVING THE BLACK LAND ON THE EAST SIDE OF I-35. SO IT DEFINITELY HAS STRONG POSITIVE EFFECTS AND OFTEN A LOT OF UNIQUE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, DR. STEWART. MR. MCGINNIS, THERE'S 1.58 LEFT.

WE'VE HEARD ABOUT HOW THE BATTLES STARTED. FELLOWS FROM EITHER SIDE OF THE VILLAS CONTROVERSY TRYING TO PUT EACH OTHER IN JAIL, AND THAT'S NO JOKE. THAT'S REALLY WHERE IT WAS. FROM THERE, I THINK THE INSTITUTION OF GOVERNMENT, ONE THING THAT WE CAN SPEND A MINUTE AND 58 SECONDS DISCUSSING IS HOW WE GOT HERE AND HOW WE MIGHT TAKE THAT INSTITUTIONAL LESSON. WHAT I SAW IN THE EXERCISE IS STAFF WHO WAS VERY SUSPECT WHEN THEY CAME IN, YOU WOULD HAVE TO HAVE HAD -- MARK WALTERS WOULD HAVE HAD TO HAVE HAD A KEVLAR VEST, A GERMAN SHEPHERD AND A GUN TO

FEEL AT ALL SECURE IN THE INITIAL MEETINGS. PEOPLE WERE COMING UP AND APOLOGIZING FOR HOW HE AND OTHER CITY STAFFERS WERE TREATED EARLY ON. FROM THERE YOU SEE WHERE WE'VE COME. HOW DID STAFF GET US TO THIS POINT? IT'S ESSENTIALLY ASKING THE QUESTIONS OF THESE NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS, WHAT IS IT YOU'RE GOING TO DO TO SOLVE THE LARGER PROBLEMS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN? WHAT IS IT YOUR PLAN WILL CONTRIBUTE TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING? WHAT IS IT THAT YOUR PLAN WILL DO TO ELIMINATE GRIDLOCK? THIS THIS NEIGHBORHOOD WE HAVE THE SIXTH WORST INTERSECTION AT M.L.K. AND I-35 IN THE STATE OF TEXAS. WHAT IS IT THAT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN WILL DO TO REDUCE TAX BASE? THEY CAME IN AND OPENLY TALKED ABOUT TAX BASE. WHEN YOU MEASURE STAFF PERFORMANCE, FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE AS TAXPAYERS, THIS WILL DELIVER ON THE LOW END \$2 MILLION TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THAT DOESN'T COUNT THE MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS -- THAT'S PER ANNUM -- THAT DOESN'T COUNT THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT IT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. FROM THERE -- I WILL SAY GOOD EVENING AND I THANK YOU.

TAKE A MINUTE AND CONCLUDE, MR. McGINNIS.

THANK YOU.

AS WE ALL KNOW, STAFF BASHING IS EASY, BUT AT THIS POINT I THINK IT'S TIME WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT JOB THEY HAVE DONE AND IN DOLLARS AND CENTS TERMS, EVEN THE COLDEST BLOODED ACCOUNTANT OR BEAN COUNTER IN THE WORLD WILL HAVE TO SAY IF WE CAN TURN THIS STAFF LOOSE TO CONTINUE TO DO THIS WORK THROUGHOUT OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS THAT THEY'VE DONE IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, WE WILL INDEED HELP SOLVE THE FISCAL CRISIS THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN FINDS IT -- ITSELF IN. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND ATTENTION AND HOPE YOU WILL SUPPORT EACH AND EVERY ELEMENT OF THE PLAN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR A CONCISE PRESENTATION. COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THAT REPRESENTED SEVEN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS. THEY TOOK

EXACTLY 70 MINUTES, AS WE HEARD. SO, AT THIS TIME, WE COULD HAVE A APPROXIMATELY 10-MINUTE PRESENTATION FROM THOSE FOLKS WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TO GIVE US THAT PROSPECTIVE AS WELL. MR. HECKLER.

GOOD EVENING, AND IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK. SEEMS LIKE JUST YESTERDAY. MY NAME IS JEFF HECKLER, I REPRESENT THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR TIME TONIGHT, LOOKING AT THIS VERY DIFFICULT ISSUE. I ALSO WANT TO EXTENT -- EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION TO THE STAFF IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS. THEY HAVE DONE SO MUCH WORK. IT'S BEEN INCREDIBLE THE TIME, EFFORT, AND BRAIN POWER THAT'S GONE INTO THIS. THEY'VE DONE A GREAT JOB, AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. AND TO BE PERFECTLY CLEAR, WE HEARTILY SUPPORT THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. THEY'VE GONE A GREAT JOB AND WE HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT UNO. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THE HAIGHTS, APARTMENT SETBACKS AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ARE WORKABLE AND THE DEVELOPMENT IN SUCH A SMALL OVER AREA DOES NOT OVERWHELM THE EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE. WE ALSO SUPPORT DENSITY IN THIS AREA, BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN ON RECORD MANY TIMES ON THAT. WHILE WE ALL AGREE THAT THE WEST CAMPUS AREA IS A GREAT PLACE FOR THIS DENSITY, BUILDING 175 175-FOOT STRUCTURES, WE FEEL, IS A LITTLE EXCESSIVE. FIRST, IT WOULD CHANGE THE AUSTIN SKYLINE FOREVER AND BLOCKING THE VIEW OF THE U.T. TOWER FROM CERTAIN VANTAGE POINTS, WEST AND SOUTHWEST, IN PARTICULAR. AS YOU ARE PROBABLY AWARE, THERE ARE LEGISLATIVE INTERESTS AT THE CAP -- CAPITOL ABOUT PROTECTING THE CORRIDORS FROM THE U.T. TOWER AND THERE ARE PEOPLE LOOKING INTO THAT. WE'RE NOT SAYING THERE MIGHT NOT BE PLACES FOR IT. FOR EXAMPLE, ON 24th STREET, YOU ALREADY HAVE A VIEW CORRIDOR BLOCKED, AND MAYBE THAT'S A GOOD PLACE FOR A BUILDING OF EXTREME HEIGHT. I TALKED TO A FEW OF THE FIREFIGHTERS. THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME WATER PRESSURE ISSUES. I WAS HOPING MAYBE THEY WOULD BE INVITED THIS EVENING, AND, INDEED, A COUPLE OF FIRE HYDRANTS, I WAS TOLD, DON'T EVEN WORK. AS WE MOVE FORWARD, COUNCIL MIGHT INVITE THEM TO MAKE SOME

SORT OF PRESENTATION ON THAT SITUATION. SEEMS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO ATTRACT AN ADDITIONAL 8 TO 10,000 STUDENTS, THAT'S WHAT PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SAYING, TO THIS NECK OF THE WOODS. WE'RE ALREADY CHOKING WITH CONGESTION. WHEN I WAS GOING TO U.T., I DROVE AN OLD BEAUC AND PARKING WAS PRETTY BAD THEN, AND I WOULD TAKE THE HOOD AND LIFT IT UP AND PUT A SIGN ON IT THAT SAID, SORRY, I'M BROKEN DOWN, BE RIGHT BACK, GO TO CLASS, COME BACK, AND MOST OF THE TIME I WOULDN'T GET A TICKET. IT WAS BAD THEN AND IT WILL GET WORSE. UNO EXEMPTS THE TRAFFIC STUDY FROM THIS PROCESS AND I WAS VERY HEARTENED TO HEAR THAT THE STAFF IS REALLY SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING A TRAFFIC STUDY AND I THINK MAYBE THAT CAN BE PART OF THE PROCESS BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD ON FINAL APPROVAL. I TALKED TO A LOT OF STUDENTS AND I ASKED THEM, YOU KNOW, ARE YOU GOING TO GET OUT OF YOUR CARS? AS YOU ALL KNOW, I'VE BEEN A BIG ADVOCATE OF MASS TRANSIT IN THIS COMMUNITY. ONE STUDENT TOLD ME, WELL, YOU KNOW, I WAS FROM CHICAGO, AND THE REASON WHY IT WORKS THERE IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE A GREAT MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM. SO THEY CAN LITERALLY GET OUT OF THEIR CARS AND JUST GO ABOUT ANYWHERE, AND UNTIL WE HAVE THAT, I DON'T THINK YOU'RE GOING TO SEE MANY STUDENTS GIVE UP THEIR CARS. CITY DESIRES MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, THAT ISSUE'S BEEN RAISED A NUMBER OF TIMES. I'M NOT GOING INTO TOO MUCH DETAIL SINCE WE DO HAVE -- NOT WE -- BUT THERE IS GOING TO BE A HOUSING EXPERT THAT'S GOING TO GO INTO A LOT MORE DETAIL THAN ME. I'M GOING TO REFER YOU TO THE "DAILY TEXAN" ARTICLE, THE 10% RULE. WE'LL HAVE A LOT OF FOLKS COMING HERE THAT PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AFFORD IT IN THE PAST, THE 10% RULE IF IT STAYS IN EFFECT. SO THE CURRENT LOW INCOME THE 10% STANDARD FOR THE MEDIAN AUSTIN INCOME, BUT SOMEBODY FROM THE VALLEY AND McALLEN MAY WANT TO LOOK AT THAT. SO A COUPLE OF OTHER REASONS WHY COUNCIL MAY NEED TO TAKE SOME TIME. I SUBMITTED OPEN RECORDS REQUEST THAT HAVEN'T BEEN RESPONDED TO. I'M WONDERING WHAT THAT IS. AND I KNOW THE NEW STUDENT GOVERNMENT HAS EXPRESSED SOME CONCERNS ABOUT PARKING AND VIEWS, SO I KNOW THAT U.A.P. HAD

WORKED FOR THE OLD STUDENT GOVERNMENT, BUT THE NEW STUDENT GOVERNMENT COMPLETELY CHANGED AND THEY HAVE, I THINK, ADDITIONAL CONCERNS. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. I'M REALLY GLAD THAT THIS NECK OF THE WOODS IS GOING TO DO VERY WELL. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN READING THAT WE ARE GOING TO TRACK PEOPLE FROM EAST RIVERSIDE DRIVE, AND I'M NOT SURE IF THEY REALLY HAVE MUCH INPUT IN THIS PROCESS, IF THEY'RE REALLY SERIOUS ABOUT PULLING ALL THOSE KIDS OUT OF THERE BACK INTO WEST CAMPUS, MAYBE THEY OUGHT TO HAVE SOME INPUT ALONG THE WAY AS WELL. AND AS FAR AS I KNOW -- AND I MIGHT HAVE MISSED THIS PART OF THE PRESENTATION -- THERE REALLY HASN'T BEEN A HISTORICAL HOME SURVEY TO MY KNOWLEDGE, AND THE COMPATIBILITY BEING WAIVED, YOU KNOW, MAY BE TROUBLESOME FOR SOME OF THOSE FOLKS. SO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE FROM THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL WILL HAVE MANY UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES, WE FEEL, AND WARRANTS FURTHER STUDY AND I KNOW THEY'RE MEETING TO DEATH, BUT MAYBE EVEN SOME MORE MEETINGS TO RESOLVE SOME OF THE DENSITY AND OTHER ISSUES. IN OUR OPINION, I THINK YOU CAN ALLOW MAXIMUM OF 60, 70 FEE FOR DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND ADEQUATE ON-SITE PARKING MAY BE AN ISSUE YOU WANT TO TAKE UP AND INCLUDE A BONA FIDE TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY. OTHER THAN THAT, I THINK MAYBE ANOTHER WAY YOU MIGHT WANT TO VIEW THIS IS WHEN YOU WANT TO BUILD A 175-FOOT STRUCTURE, YOU MIGHT WANT TO LOOK AT IT ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS AND SAY, WELL, IS THIS REALLY WHERE YOU WANT A BIG BUILDING AT THIS LOCATION. AND I THINK THAT WILL GIVE COUNCIL SOME MORE INPUT, AND COMMISSION SOME MORE INPUT. AND THAT ENDS MY PART. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. HECKLER.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS. MY NAME IS KAREN ORSAC. I'M A MEMBER OF THE WEST CAMPUS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND A BUSINESS OWNER IN THE WEST CAMPUS AREA. I HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT THE UNO PLANS FOR SEVERAL MONTHS AND AM STILL HAVING A HARD TIME UNDERSTANDING IT AS IT KEEPS CHANGING SOMEWHAT, AND AS MR. HECKLER SAID, WE ARE NOT AGAINST THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION PLAN, ANY OF

THE OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS. THE ONLY THING WE HAVE ARE SOME ISSUES WITH THE NOW PLAN THAT WE WANTED TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS THIS EVENING. THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF HARD WORK. WE DON'T WANT TO THROW OUT ANYTHING. WE JUST WANT SOME VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES THAT APPEAR ON PAPER TO PEOPLE WHO MAY NOT LIVE OR WORK IN THE WEST CAMPUS AREA TO BE CONCEPTUALLY WONDERFUL IDEAS, BUT THE REALITY OF IMPLEMENTING THESE, SOME OTHER AREAS NEEDED A ADDITIONAL ATTENTION, WE FEEL, AND JUST SOME TIME TO WORK THROUGH SOME OF THOSE. IT'S A VERY DENSE AREA. I OFFICE ON THE CORNER OF 24th AND RIO GRANDE, WHICH IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST HIGHLY TRAFFIC SITES, CARS THROUGH THE AREA AND PEDESTRIANS, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. I- WE ALREADY HAVE A TRAFFIC PROBLEM AND OUR CONCERN IS ALL TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS WILL BE WAIVED UNDER THE UNO PLAN. THE PARKING HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN ISSUE. THE STUDENTS AND MY CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM, PARKING IS ALWAYS A BIG ISSUE. WE'D LIKE TO SEE THE PARKING IS KEPT WHAT'S CURRENTLY ON THE BOOKS NOW AND NOT REDUCED, AND ANY FUTURE BUILDING, IF THE MASS TRANSIT WERE TO TAKE HOLD, IF PEOPLE WOULD START CAR SHARING, USING LESS CARS, PERHAPS A NEW DEVELOPMENT, THOSE FLOORS COULD, IN TEN, 15, 20 YEARS BE UTILIZED FOR THINGS OTHER THAN CARS, BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEY'RE BUILT. IN TODAY'S WORLD WE FEEL IT'S PUTTING THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE TO REDUCE PARKING IN AN AREA, AND IN AN ENVIRONMENT LIKE AUSTIN THAT DOES NOT HAVE THE INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE FOR PEOPLE NOT TO HAVE THEIR CARS. STUDENTS CAN WALK TO SCHOOL, BUT THEY NEED THEIR CARS TO GO TO THEIR JOBS, TO THEIR INTERNSHIPS, STUDY GROUPS, TO THE MALLS FOR SHOPPING. THEY DON'T HAVE THAT TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION TO GET TO ALL THOSE THINGS. THE CARS ARE NOT GOING AWAY ANYTIME SOON. WE'VE LOOKED AT THE HEIGHT ISSUE, AND I'VE BEEN TOLD BY MANY PEOPLE THAT THERE WOULD ONLY BE TWO OR THREE PROJECTS POSSIBLY BUILT AT THESE EXTREME HEIGHTS, AND, SO, MY CONCERN IS WHY HAVE 175 FEET ON THE BOOKS AS IN OVERALL AREA OF THE INNER WEST CAMPUS AREA IF ONLY TWO OR THREE PROPERTIES OUT OF THOUSANDS WOULD

EVEN BE BUILT UNDER THAT, WHY NOT LOOK AT THEM ON AN INDIVIDUAL CASE BASIS. IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S OFFERING -- CREATING A LOT OF QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS AND FEARS THAT MAY NOT EXIST IF ONLY TWO OR THREE PROPERTIES WILL BE BUILT. WE FEEL THAT, WITH THAT KIND OF HEIGHT, YOU CAN ONLY PUT THOSE IN TWO OR THREE PROPERTIES. THE DENSITY IN THE AREA, THE CAPACITY FOR ADDITIONAL DENSITY IS GREAT. IF IT'S DONE AT A SMALLER LEVEL. WE JUST FEEL ON A LOWER HEIGHT OF 60, 90 FEET THAT YOU CAN CREATE THE SAME, IF NOT MORE, DENSITY IN A MANNER THAT THE STUDENTS SEEM TO AND HAVE BEEN COMMUNICATING WITH US -- [BEEPING]

TAKE A MINUTE AND CONCLUDE. YOU'RE DOING FINE.

THE STUDENTS TOLD US THAT THEY PREFER LIVING IN SMALLER-TYPE STRUCTURES. THEY DON'T REALLY LIKE THE HIGH RISES. A FEW OF THEM LIVE IN THEIR FRESHMAN YEARS WHEN THEY LIVE IN THE DORMITORIES, THEY CAN'T WAIT TO GET OUT OF THEM. WE HATE TO SEE THE DENSITY CREATED IN A MANNER THAT MAY NOT BE THE BEST UTILIZED WHEN THE SAME DENSITY AND GREATER CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN MORE BUILDINGS THAT LOWER HEIGHTS. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. COUNCIL, WE'VE NOW HEARD FROM THE DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS, AND AT THIS TIME WE WOULD WELCOME ANY COMMENT FROM ANY INDIVIDUALS THAT FEEL LIKE, FOR WHATEVER REASON, ANY OF THE COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN FRIEND BY THESE EIGHT NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS DON'T, SOMEHOW, REPRESENT THEIR VIEWS. MR. SMITH, YOU'RE WELCOME TO -- AND IF YOU COULD JUST STATE YOUR NAME, I'LL TRY TO IDENTIFY YOUR CARD.

MY NAME IS ROSS SMITH. I WORK RIGHT NEXT TO WEST CAMPUS, AND I GO UP THERE ON A REGULAR BASIS. I DROVE DOWN NUECES ON MY WAY HERE, AND I BELIEVE THAT THE APARTMENT MANAGERS FROM UP THERE GROSS GOD OVER THE PROBLEM THAT YOU WILL FACE WHEN YOU IMPLEMENT THIS WHEN YOU PUT THIS PLAN IN PLACE. THE STRUCTURES ARE 100--YEAR-OLD VICTORIAN HOMES THAT HAVE BEEN CONVERTED INTO OTHER USES THAT WOULD NEVER

QUALIFY FOR HISTORIC ZONING BUT ARE STILL VERY NICE TO LOOK AT. THEY CREATE THE PATTERN OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND IT'S A SURE BET THAT WHEN SOMEONE CAME IN IN TO ASK FOR A DEMOLITION PERMIT TO PUT IN GREATER DENSITY THERE THAT YOU WOULD HAVE PEOPLE STANDING YOU HAVE HERE AT THE MICROPHONE SAYING WHAT A TERRIBLE THING IT WOULD BE TO TEAR DOWN THIS NICE, 100-YEAR-OLD BUILDING. SO MY SUGGESTION TO YOU IS, YOU KNOW, ANGRY VOTERS OR MORE DENSITY? I'M GLAD I DON'T HAVE TO MAKE THE CALL. MY SUGGESTION TO YOU WOULD BE, AS PART OF THE PLAN, IT WOULD BE CITY POLICY THAT DEMOLITION WOULD BE THE LAST OPTION, AND IF THE BUILDING IS PERFECTLY SERVICEABLE BUT JUST IN THE WRONG PLACE, THAT THE FIRST OPTION SHOULD BE TO MOVE IT SOMEWHERE ELSE AND USE IT AS INFILL ELSEWHERE IN THE CENTRAL AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD. I REALIZE THAT MOVING AN OLD HOUSE IS NOT CHEAP. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN THAT AS PART OF MY CHURCH OBLIGATIONS. I KNOW IT'S NOT CHEAP, BUT I THINK THAT, FROM A POLITICAL STANDPOINT, FROM A ZONING STANDPOINT, AND FROM A NEIGHBORHOOD STANDPOINT, YOU WILL FIND THAT, IN MANY CASES, IT'S THE MOST APPROPRIATE OPTION. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. SMITH.

I'M STEVEN MOORE. I HAVE KIND OF A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE. I APPRECIATE YOU LETTING ME SPEAK. UNIQUE IN THAT I OWN A PROPERTY, BUT I'M ALSO A STUDENT AT U.T., AND I LIVED, UP UNTIL ABOUT A YEAR AGO, WITHIN ABOUT 100 YARDS OF THE UNIVERSITY ON THAT PROPERTY. MY CONCERN RIGHT NOW IS I'M IN AN URBAN STUDIES AT U.T., AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT IS HUMAN FACTORS, AND I KNOW THAT THIS -- THAT THESE NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS HAVE PUT IN AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF TIME AND COOPERATION IN COMING UP WITH THE -- WITH A FUNCTIONAL PLAN THAT WORKS FOR EVERYBODY, AND THAT'S ADMIRABLE. I GUESS I HAVE A QUESTION, NOT SO MUCH A STATEMENT, IS THAT -- OR A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. BESIDES COTERRA AND REED, DO WE HAVE MAYBE AN OUTSIDE BODY OF ARCHITECTS? PERHAPS -- WE HAVE WORLD-CLASS PROFESSORS AT U.T. ARCHITECTURE THAT COULD COUNSEL AND HAD VIES THE CITY OF AUSTIN. THE REASON I BRING THAT UP IS THERE

ARE LEGITIMATE CONCERNS ABOUT THE LEGACY THAT THIS PROCESS IS GOING TO LEAVE AUSTIN FOR YEARS AND YEARS TO COME. THE IDEA THAT -- I LIKE THE IDEA OF MAYBE LIMITING ON A PER-CASE BASIS THE HEIGHT TO HAVE THE BUILDING SO THAT, YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT DICTATED FROM THE FRONT THAT EVERYBODY GETS TO BUILD A 175-FOOT BUILDING. THE GENTLEMAN THAT SPOKE EARLIER, THAT DID THE 30-MINUTE PRESENTATION AND SHOWED THE SLIDES ON THE GREEN, THE TALLEST BUILDING WAS ABOUT SIX STORIES TALL, LOOKED FANTASTIC AND LOOKED LIKE IT CREATED THE FEELING OF COMMUNITY THAT WE ALL LIKE AND ADMIRE IN AUSTIN, YET, WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS A BUILDING THAT'S SIX SIX TIMES THAT SIZE. IT DOESN'T GREAT DASH I DON'T KNOW -- I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY TIMES YOU STEP OUT OF A BUILDING IN NEW YORK OR CHICAGO AND FEEL LIKE -- AND YOU CAN WIDEN THE SIDEWALKS AND PUT TREES ON THE SIDEWALKS AND ALL THESE KINDS OF THING, BUT I'M CONCERNED FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN THAT THE SKYLINE WILL CHANGE DRAMATICALLY. THE VIEWS FROM THE TOWER MAY OR MAY NOT BE IMPORTANT TO THE COUNCIL, BUT I THOUGHT THAT THE TWO PHOTOS -- I DROVE AROUND AND FOUND TWO PLACES I COULD SEE THE TOWER. I CAN GO ANYWHERE -- I CAN'T GO ANYWHERE IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN THAT I CAN'T SEE THE TOWER. MY PRIMARY CONCERN IS WE DON'T HAVE A THIRD PARTY -- OR DO WE, AND THAT'S MAYBE A QUESTION, MAYOR WYNN, IF YOU DON'T MIND LETTING ME KNOW -- [BEEPING]

WE'LL LIKELY ANSWER A BUNCH OF QUESTIONS AS WE FINISH THE TESTIMONY, BUT, YES, WE DO HAVE THAT ABILITY AND CALL ON IT FREQUENTLY. THE DESIGN COMMISSION MADE UP OF A LOT OF UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PROFESSORS -- PERHAPS NOT ACTIVE PROFESSORS, BUT GRADUATES OF THEIR ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM. THANK YOU, SIR. YOUR THREE MINUTES ARE UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MR. MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN, DISTINGUISHED COUNCIL MEMBERS, THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU. I'M LEONARD HUBER. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE ORANGE STREET CONDOMINIUM HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. I WILL TRY TO BE BRIEF. YOU MAY NOT THAT

THE ORANGE TREE IS A 102-UNIT CONDOMINIUM PROJECT THAT IS BOUNDED BY RIO GRANDE WEST, 26th NORTH, SETON AVENUE EAST, AND 26th STREET ON THE SOUTH. I'VE OWNED MY CONDO SINCE 1978 AND AM VERY PROUD AND PLEASED WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IT'S A VERY SUCCESSFUL PROPERTY, ALWAYS FULLY LEASED. WE HAVE INTERIOR PARKING ON THE GROUND LEVEL, ALTHOUGH IT'S NOT ENOUGH. IT'S BEEN A PREMIER LOCATION AND A VERY DESIRABLE ADDRESS. WE'RE NOT OPPOSED TO DENSITY AS WE HAVE SEVERAL RESIDENTS IN OUR ONE-BLOCK PROPERTY, HOWEVER, WE STRENUOUSLY OBJECT TO THE BLANKET 175-FOOT HEIGHT IN A LARGE AREA AROUND OUR PROPERTY. THIS IS A HUGE DECISION, AND ONE THAT DOES NOT SEEM FOR JUSTIFIED ABOUT BY THE AMOUNT OF CONSTRUCTION THAT'S CONTEMPLATED. THE EXISTING LOW-RISE PROPERTIES COULD BE DEPRIVED BY SUNLIGHT BY HAVING TALL BUILDINGS ON EITHER SIDE OF THEM EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE SET BACK BY THE STREET. IT WILL BE A CONFINING VIEW. ENTIRE AREAS WEST AND SOUTH OF THE CITY COULD BE DEPRIVED OF THE TOWER VIEW WHICH IS SO PRIZED IN AUSTIN. MUCH OF THAT CITY IS HARDLY AWARE OF THE UNIVERSITY OVERLAY PROPOSAL. I THINK IT SHOULD BE GIVEN MORE PUBLIC AWARENESS IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF IT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO TRAFFIC STUDY FOR THIS AREA. HOW CAN THE COUNCIL EVEN CONSIDER SUCH A MASSIVE PROPOSAL AT THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY WITHOUT A COMPREHENSIVE TRAFFIC STUDY? FURTHER, THE IMPACTS ON THE OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE AREA, WATER, WASTEWATER, FIRE, E.M.S., ALL THOSE THINGS NEED TO BE CAREFULLY STUDIED, CONSIDERED, AND THOUGHT OUT AND PLANNED BEFORE THIS ACTION IS TAKEN. THE PARKING IS A HUGE PROBLEM. THE STREETS ARE ALREADY FULLY CONGESTED. AND EVEN WITH OUR ORANGE STREET PARKING, THE DEMAND FAR EXCEEDS THE SUPPLY WE HAVE. EVEN THOUGH ORANGE STREET IS ONLY TWO BLOCKS FROM THE CAMPUS, MOST OF OUR RESIDENTS WALK TO CLASS. VIRTUALLY ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE CARS, SUVs AND PICKUPS RANGING FROM CARS TO HUMMERS. MOST U.T. STUDENTS WILL BRING CARS. THEY COME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS BECAUSE OF THE SCHOOL, THE PROMINENCE, THE MANY ACTIVE

ATTRACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE AUSTIN AREA. THEY MUST HAVE THEIR CARS FOR TRAVEL AT NIGHTS, WEEKENDS AND TRIPS HOME. I BROUGHT MY CAR TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AS A FRESHMAN IN 1948. MY DAUGHTER BROUGHT HER CAR. MY SON-IN-LAW BROUGHT HIS CAR, I HAVE TWO GRANDSONS THAT WILL BE HERE IN A YEAR OR TWO AND THEY BOTH HAVE CARS. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET THE KIDS OUT OF THE CARS. THEY ALWAYS HAVE HAD THEM AND THEY ALWAYS WILL. WE WELCOME THE DENSITY BUT THE 175-FOOT BLANKET APPROVAL COULD BE A PROLIFERATION OF THE HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS IN THE AIR AREA. PERHAPS SOME ADDITIONAL HEIGHT IS JUST FILED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS BUT NOT 175 FOR THE ENTIRE AREA.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, MR. HEBERT.

COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYOR I'M ROYCE GORLEY. I'M PLEASED TO HEAR A ALL THE SUGGESTS AND -- SUGGESTIONS AND PEOPLES' INPUT ON THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I HAVE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF COPIES OF THESE WHERE KAREN'S DESK IS BACK THERE. WHAT I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT IS THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF STUDENTS WHOSE PARENTS DON'T HAVE CARS. WOW. OKAY? AND I GAVE THE COUNCIL MEMBERS A LIST OF THE MEDIAN INCOMES OF TEXAS CITIES TO LET THEM LOOK AT SOME OF THE STUDENTS THAT WILL BE COMING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AND I HAVE GOOD NEWS. U.T. IS GOING TO BE THE UNIVERSITY IN THE COUNTRY BECAUSE OF THE STATE -- THIS IS ALL DEMOGRAPHICS -- BECAUSE AS THE STATE GROWS, THE TOP 10% STUDENTS -- GROWS, THE TOP 10% STUDENTS IN THE HIGH SCHOOLS WILL GET A FREE TICKET TO U.T.. AS THE STATE GROWS, IT'S JUST MATHEMATICS THAT THERE'S PROBABLY GOING TO BE MORE MIDDLE AND LOWER INCOME FAMILIES THAT ARE GOING TO COME TO THE UNIVERSITY. SO WE MIGHT HAVE TO RE-THINK THIS WHOLE -- AND I AM FOR THE UNO, I'M JUST TRYING TO INCORPORATE MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE MIGHT NEED TO WAKE UP AND THINK, GEE, IS THIS A TREND? DO WE WANT -- YOU KNOW, THE UNIVERSITY IS DOING THIS FOR A REASON. KIDS LIVE CLOSER TO CAMPUS MAKE BETTER GRADES, HELPS MINORITY KIDS, HELPS KIDS WITH DISABILITIES, ALL

DIFFERENT ISSUES. THAT'S THE GOOD NEWS. ON THE PARKING ISSUE, WE NEED TO LOOK AT DIFFERENT OPTIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO APPRECIATE ALL THE HELP THAT I'VE GOTTEN FROM PAUL AND STEWART AND STAFF. MARK WALTERS HAS PROBABLY THE TOUGHEST JOB OF ALL THE PLANNERS. SHARE A RIDE IS A PROGRAM THAT I ENVISION IN TRYING TO WORK WITH DEVELOPERS IN PROVIDING AN INCENTIVE FOR PEOPLE NOT TO HAVE CARS. I HAVE A PROPERTY ON -- IN THE WEST AUSTIN LOCATION WHERE FOR THE PAST THREE I GIVE PEOPLE A \$20 CREDIT IF THEY DON'T HAVE A CAR. THAT'S BEEN AN INTERESTING PROGRAM. A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE EMBARRASSED TO SAY THEY DON'T HAVE A CAR. WHEN PEOPLE COME IN AND GET A CREDIT YOU GET FREE ADVERTISEMENT BECAUSE THEY HAVE FRIENDS THAT DON'T HAVE CARS. I DON'T WANT TO TALK TOO MUCH. I APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S TIME AND EFFORT. ALL THE NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE PUT IN A LOT OF TIME. LET'S JUST MAKE SURE THAT WE LOOK OUT FOR THE AVERAGE STUDENT AND TRY TO DEVELOPING THAHAAAA FOR EVERYBODY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, ROYCE. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS AT THIS FIRST PHASE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING? WELCOME, MA'AM, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

I'M CINDY POWELL. OUR FAMILY HAS HAD TWO HOUSES ON SAN PEDRO, 2802 AND 2804 SAN PEDRO FOR ABOUT 30 YEARS. AND WHEN WE FIRST OWNED THEM, I HAVE SOMEWHAT MORE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT NOW WE HAVE THE GIANT CAMINO REAL APARTMENTS AND THEN THE M.S.3 AND M.S.4 APARTMENTS RIGHT HERE. EVERYTHING SOUTH OF US PRETTY MUCH IS ZONED MS3. AND THEN THERE ARE A FEW S.F. PROPERTIES GAINED BEHIND US. BUT EVERYTHING ELSE IS PRETTY MUCH MULTI-FAMILY. SO, RIGHT NOW, IT'S NOT A PREDOMINANTLY RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD. OUR PROPERTY IS CONSIDERED A BUFFER PROPERTY AT THIS POINT, BUT WE FEEL THAT OUR PROPERTY IS NO LONGER -- SHOULD NO LONGER BE CLASSIFIED AS A SINGLE FAMILY. WE FEEL THAT WE HAVE A STRONG POSITION ASKING FOR THIS BECAUSE OF ALL THE ZONING OF THE PROPERTIES ALL AROUND US. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT OUR PROPERTY WILL

CHANGED ON THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP TO MULTI-FAMILY.
THANKS.

THANK YOU. I'M THE LEGISLATIVE RELATION INSTRUCTOR FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT. I WANTED TO BRIEFLY READ THE RESOLUTION THAT WE PASSED A WEEK FROM THIS LAST TUESDAY ON WEST CAMPUS REZONING AND THE UNO PLAN IN PARTICULAR. I WANTED TO READ THE RESULT SECTIONS BRIEFLY. HAVING A LARGE POPULATION CLOSE TO CAMPUS IS CONDUCIVE TO CREATING A STRONGER MORE COHESIVE CAMPUS COMMUNITY BY INCREASING SAFE TO AND ENCOURAGING CAM PAWS INVOLVEMENT AND ENGAGING STUDENTS IN THE UNIVERSITY. AND BE IT RESOLVE THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN SUPPORTS HIGH-DENSITY AFFORDABLE STUDENT HOUSING IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS CAMPUS. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN REQUESTS THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN REQUIRE AN EQUITABLE AMOUNT OF HOUSING SET ASIDE SPECIFICALLY FOR LOW-INCOME PERSONS IN ANY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT THAT THE NOW PLAN WILL ALLOW. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN REQUESTS THAT A WIDE ARRAY OF STUDENT INPUT BE CONSIDERED INCLUDING STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON RELEVANT COMMITTEES AND SIGNIFICANT INPUT FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF ANY DEVELOPMENT THAT THE NOW PLAN WILL ALLOW. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN ASK THAT MORE SPECIFIC PARKING CONCERNS BE ARDED -- ADDRESSED WITH STUDENT INPUT. THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT TO HAVE THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN REJECTS THE ASKER STATION THAT STUDENTS WILL BEGIN TO STOP BRINGING CARS TO AUSTIN, THEREBY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF CARS ON WEST CAMPUS. THE TRANSIENT NATURE TO HAVE THE STUDENT POPULATION OF WEST CAMPUS AND THE ONE TO FIVE-YEAR TURNOVER RATE THAT IS A RESULT OF THE NATURE WILL PREVENT A REDUCTION IN ANY NUMBER OF CARS. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT TO HAVE THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN REQUEST THAT THE

CITY OF AUSTIN REVIEW ITS POLICY OF HOLDING STUDENTS TO THE STANDARD OF DETERMINING QUALIFICATION FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSING SET ASIDE AT 80% OF THE AUSTIN MEDIAN INCOME. WHILE IT MAY BE FOR THE USERAGE AUSTIN, IT IS NOT FOR THE AVERAGE STUDENT. THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN HOLD AN INTEREST IN PROTECTING THE VIEW OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER. THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT REQUESTS THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THE PROPROPOSED HEIGHT ALLOWANCES AND ESTABLISH VIEW CORRIDORS TO AVOID DIMINISHING A UNIQUE AUSTIN LANDMARK. THANKS A LOT.

THANK YOU AND THANK YOUR COLLEAGUES FOR TAKING UP THIS ISSUE FOR US.

THANK YOU.

ANY OTHER CITIZENS THAT WISH TO BE HEARD THIS EVENING? AGAIN, WE ANTICIPATE A CONTINUATION OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING -- I'M NOT SURE WHEN THAT'S GOING TO BE -- AND WE'RE ALSO GOING TO, OF COURSE, INDIVIDUALLY TAKE UP THE ZONING CASES ON JUNE 10th AFTER IT GOES BACK TO PLANNING COMMISSION BECAUSE OF THE POSTING ERROR. WELCOME, SIR.

MY NAME IS VIJAY. I AM A BIOLOGIST AND GEE TOGETHER FER BY TRAINING, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK BRIEFLY ABOUT MY OBSERVATIONS WITH GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN PARTICULAR. I BELIEVE WE, ESPECIALLY IN THE UNITED STATES, HAVE BECOME MORE AND MORE ACCUSTOMED TO SEEING THINGS BEING DONE EFFICIENTLY AND SOMETIMES WE EVEN LOOK TOWARDS THE PRIVATE CORPORATE SECTOR AS A STANDARD ON HOW WE WOULD PROCEED IN MANNERS THAT -- MATTERS THAT CONCERN US. HOWEVER, I HAVE ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT WHEN IT COMES TO GOVERNMENT, OUR STANDARD SHOULD BE INEFFICIENCY -- THAT IS, THAT INEFFICIENT GOVERNMENTS THAT ARE FILLED WITH LOTS OF CONTENTION AND DEBATES AND MEETINGS, THOSE ARE SAFE GOVERNMENT BECAUSE THEY ALLOW FOR THE MINORITY VIEW OR THE OUTSIDER OR THOSE WHO MAY HAVE BEEN UNDERREPRESENTED TO ALSO BE HEARD. BECAUSE THERE ARE GOING TO BE SO

MANY YOUNG STUDENTS, ESPECIALLY AT THE UNIVERSITY, WHO MAY ONE DAY BECOME POLITICIANS AND LEADERS, I HOPE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WILL SET THE STANDARD BY ALLOWING A VIG WROWS -- VIGOROUS DEBATES AND DISCUSSIONS AND MORE CONSENSUS BUILDING, ESPECIALLY ALONG THE GROUPS THAT MAY HAVE NOT HAD A CHANCE TO FULLY EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. VJAY. OF COURSE, WE ALSO VIRTUALLY SAW OPEN LOVE-MAKING EARLIER BETWEEN TWO -- [LAUGHTER]

> [LAUGHTER]

> ANY OTHER CITIZENS THAT WISH TO BE HEARD? AGAIN, FOLKS, I THINK THE WILL OF THE COUNCIL IS NOT TO TAKE ACTION TONIGHT, SO, IN FACT, WE'RE NOT EVEN GOING TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, AND I WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT WE WOULD TAKE UP, YOU KNOW, THE FINAL ASPECT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY WHEN THE ZONING CASES COME BACK TO US, AND WE ANTICIPATE THAT BEING, AS WE HEARD, JUNE 10th. FURTHER COMMENTS ON QUESTIONS -- OR QUESTIONS, COUNCIL? MAYOR PRO TEM.

YEAH, MAYOR, JUDGING BY WHAT SOME PEOPLE SAID WHEN THEY CAME UP, I THINK THAT WHAT STAFF AND WE CAN DO, ALSO, FOR NEXT TIME IS TO LAY OUT A LITTLE DETAIL ABOUT HOW SUCH THINGS HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT, AND TO REMIND SOME OF THE FOLKS WHO SPOKE, ALSO, ESPECIALLY THE LAST SPEAKER, IF YOU LIKE DEMOCRACY, IF YOU LIKE CONTROVERSY AND DEBATE, THAT'S WHAT THIS HAS BEEN FOR YEARS. THESE PEOPLE WERE AT WAR, AND WE ALL WERE. WE HAD INSTITUTIONALISTS AND OUR ORDINANCES PROVIDE FOR IT. AND SO FOR DEVELOPERS, DEVELOPER AGENTS, LARGE PROPERTY OWNERS, BUSINESS OWNERS, RESIDENTIAL OWNERS SMALL AND LARGE, AND ECONOMISTS, MY GOODNESS, HERE HAND IN HAND, THAT'S JUST AMAZING, SO I'M NOT FOR ONE MINUTE GOING TO APOLOGIZE FOR BEING DELIGHTED TO SEE THIS KIND OF HAND-IN-HAND UNITY. I WAS WAITING FOR THE

ANGEL TO COME SPEAK.

> [LAUGHTER]

BUT WHAT WE CAN DO FOR FOLKS WHO CONTINUE DON'T KNOW THE PROCESS, ESPECIALLY THE YOUNGER CITIZENS, IS THE KIND OF STUDY AND DATA THAT WE KEEP ON HAND AND USE IN AN ONGOING WAY FOR LAND USE DECISION MAKING AND ZONING, ET CETERA, RELATIVE TO TRAFFIC. WE CAN TALK ABOUT THE HEIGHT ISSUES AND THE VISION AND ANY VIEW CORRIDORS. AUSTIN WAS, ITSELF, AS A CITY, THE ONE WHO WENT TO THE SLAICH AND OTHERS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE -- THE LEGISLATURE AND OTHERS TO MAKE SURE WE HAD CAPITOL CORRIDORS, SO WE INVENTED THAT HERE, AND WE CAN TALK ABOUT THE TOWER AND MAKE SURE WE LIFTED ALL THOSE ISSUES AS WELL. WE CAN TALK ABOUT -- WHAT ELSE CAME UP? WELL, HISTORY, FOR ONE THING. WE CAN TALK ABOUT FROM OUR UTILITIES, SINCE THE CITY OWNS THE WATER, WASTEWATER AND UTILITIES, AND CERTAINLY WE HAVE A HAND IN TELECOMMUNICATION PLANNING AS WELL, WE CAN TALK ABOUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S THERE. RIGHT NOW WATER AND WASTEWATER IS UNDER FEDERAL MANDATE TO IMPROVE THE ENTIRE SYSTEM, AND I THINK THEY PRETTY WELL KNOW DOWN TO THE SQUARE INCH WHAT IT IS WE CAN SUPPORT AT THIS MOMENT AND WHAT KIND OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND IMPROVEMENTS WE'LL HAVE TO GET WITH BECAUSE IT'S AN INCREDIBLY EXPENSIVE UNFUNDED MANDATE THAT WE HAVE. AND, SO, WHENEVER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT DENSIFYING, ESPECIALLY IN AN OLDER NEIGHBORHOOD, STAFF CAN TELL YOU WHAT WE NEED TO DO BEFORE ANY FURTHER DENSITY CAN BE SUPPORTED. BUT WE CAN TALK ABOUT ALL THESE THINGS, BUT YOU KNOW THIS IS NOT SOME KIND OF A RAILROAD JOB. THIS WAS A LENGTHY AND PAINFUL PROCESS FOR A WHOLE LOT OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE WITH VASTLY DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES WHO DIDN'T USED TO SPEAK TO EACH OTHER EXCEPT IN RELATIVELY -- LET ME -- I'M NOT GOING TO FINISH THE SENTENCE. BUT IT NEVER HURTS, IN AUSTIN, TO HAVE MORE PARTICIPANTS. THAT'S KIND OF WHAT WE'RE FAMOUS FOR. AND IF YOU DON'T KNOW THAT, THEN WE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO INVITE YOU INTO THE PROCESS AND LET YOU

FIND OUT FIRST HAND. [APPLAUSE]

MAYOR PRO TEM. COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

TO ADD A FOOTNOTE TO WHAT THE MAYOR PRO TEM SAID, IT WAS HER RESOLUTION THAT PASSED THAT FORCED YOU ALL TO GET TOGETHER. SO I THINK SHE'S TO BE COMMENDED FOR DOING THAT. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE TWO COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAN, ONE THING I PARTICULARLY LIKE, AND THAT'S THE BRILLIANCE OF THE VOLUNTARY OVERLAY. YOU KNOW, YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING IN THIS OVERLAY, BUT IF YOU CHOOSE TO HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL HEIGHT, IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE QUALITY OF THAT NEIGHBORHOOD, THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS THAT THAT DEVELOPER, THAT BUILDER WILL HAVE TO DO IN ORDER TO OPT IN TO THE HEIGHT LIMITATIONS. AND I THINK THAT IS A VERY GOOD THING. THAT'S WHAT HELPS PROTECT THE QUALITY OF YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, GET -- GETTING THE LIGHT IN AND THE SIDEWALKS THAT ARE WALKABLE AND THE DESIGN GUIDELINES, ET CETERA. SO I THINK THAT'S A VERY GOOD THING, AND I LIKE THAT ELEMENT OF IT. THE ONE THING THAT I WANTED TO ASK OUR HOUSING STAFF ABOUT, WE HAVE SOME IDEAS FLOATING AROUND ABOUT HOW TO ENHANCE THE AFFORDABLE UNITS IN THIS AREA THAT ARE OUTSIDE OF THAT PARTICULAR OVERLAY, AND I JUST WANTED TO ASK OUR HOUSING DEPARTMENT, I KNOW THEY'RE WORKING HARD ON IT, DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD HAVE AT LEAST A PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL BACK -- OR DESIGNED IN JUNE THAT YOU COULD BRING BACK TO US?

COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY, WE ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRY TO COME UP WITH CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO THOSE QUESTIONS THAT THIS PLAN GIVES US A CHANCE TO DO. QUESTION, WE -- YES, WE HAVE MET WITH SOME OF THE STAKEHOLDERS, AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT, AND TO TRY TO -- WELL, WE WILL HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU IN A PROPOSAL BEFORE THE THIRD READING, FOR SURE. SO AS SOON AS WE CAN GET THAT DONE, AND WE'RE GOING TO BE MEETING WITH A NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING STAFF TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE ABOUT, AND ALSO WE MUST LOOK AT THIS WITH REGARD TO WHAT PRECEDENT IT

MIGHT SET IN THE FUTURE. WE'VE TALKED ABOUT CREATION OF A NONPROFIT UMBRELLA ORGANIZATION, KIND OF A NEIGHBORHOOD-BASED COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION IN THIS COMMUNITY, THE IDEA OF EVEN TRYING TO FIND SOME FINANCING MECHANISMS FOR THOSE AS WELL WITH REGARD TO THE ENTITLEMENTS THAT PEOPLE WOULD RECEIVE IN THIS PLAN. SO IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO SOME OF THESE THINGS.

IF I COULD SPEAK TO THE STUDENTS FOR A MOMENT, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO FOCUS ON IS MAKE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO FOLKS BETHROW 80% MEDIAN INCOME.

YES, AND WE'RE ESPECIALLY EXCITED ABOUT WORKING WITH THE CO- OPS AND DEEPER LEVELS OF AFFORDABILITY WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO APPLY TO MODELS AROUND THE CITY.

SOWNLS MEMBER SLUSHER.

THANKS, MAY -- MAYOR. YOU TALK ABOUT VISION, IT'S HARD FOR ME TO SEE THAT THIS WOULD HAPPEN. I THOUGHT MAYBE IT COULD. I'M PRETTY MUCH OF AN OPTIMIST, BUT I REALLY WANT TO THANK HER FOR GETTING THIS GOING AND I'M JUST REALLY PROUD OF EVERYBODY THAT PARTICIPATED IN IT, AND IT'S REALLY GOOD TO SIT HERE AND HEAR THIS AT NIGHT, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS A LITTLE UNBELIEVABLE AT TIMES, BUT IT WAS GOOD. I WANT TO JUST HIT A FEW ASPECTS OF THINGS THAT WERE BROUGHT UP. THE TRAFFIC STUDY, WELL, I CAN GIVE YOU MY SORT OF SHORT TRAFFIC STUDY, IS THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT MORE TRAFFIC UNLESS WE GET A TRAIN OR A STREET CAR THROUGH HERE. THAT'S MY REAL STRONG UP. I JUST DON'T THINK -- EVEN REGARDLESS OF THIS PLAN, THIS CITY NEEDS THAT TO HAPPEN, AND I'M GOING TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON THAT, AND I HOPE THAT FOLKS HERE WILL, TOO, BECAUSE THAT WILL -- EVEN IF -- YOU'RE STILL GOING TO HAVE SOME CONGESTION. YOU CAN LOOK AT OTHER CITIES AROUND THE NATION THAT HAVE REALLY GREAT RAIL SYSTEMS. WELL, THEY STILL HAVE A LOT OF TRAFFIC, BUT IT GIVES YOU ANOTHER OPTION OF HOW TO GET AROUND, ANOTHER CHOICE, AND IT ALLOWS A LOT OF PEOPLE TO GET

INTO A HIGH-DENSITY AREA LIKE THIS AND THERE STILL BE PEOPLE COMING IN AND DON'T EVEN LIVE IN THE AREA THAT GO TO THE COLLEGE, SO I THINK THAT WILL BE SEXUAL -- THAT WILL BE ESSENTIAL AS WE MOVE ON. I WAS GLAD TO HEAR THE ECONOMIST THAT TALKED ABOUT THE OVERALL ECONOMIC IMPACT. CLEARLY THAT'S SOMETHING THE CITY NEEDS AND ALSO HOW THIS WILL HELP PRESERVE EAST AUSTIN AND THE UNIVERSITY AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE SETTLED THAT ISSUE TO A LARGE EXTENT A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO AS FAR AS THE UNIVERSITY CONTINUING TO MOVE EAST, BUT I STILL THINK WHAT HE SAID IS ACCURATE, AND THAT'S AN IMPORTANT PART OF THIS. WE'RE ALSO GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT IF THIS IS SUCCESSFUL, WHICH I THINK IT WILL BE, WHAT HAPPENS ON EAST RIVERSIDE. FOR NOW, THERE'S A LOT OF STUDENTS THAT WILL PROBABLY BE GETTING, THEN, MORE FAMILIES, TALKING ABOUT MR. HILLGERS EARLIER TONIGHT, WE'RE GOING TO NEED A NEW SCHOOL IF IT BECOMES MORE FAMILY-AFFORDABLE HOUSING AREA, WE WILL NEED MORE SCHOOL. I WOULD ENVISION LIKE THE PICKLE CAMPUS WHERE THEY HAVE A HE THE AND RECREATION CENTER, A POLICE SUBSTATION ALL IN THE ONE AREA. THAT'S BEEN GREAT FOR THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. THAT'S SOMETHING WE NEED TO LOOK AT AS WE GO DOWN THE ROAD. IT WAS REAL IMPORTANT ON ANOTHER MATTER -- ON ANOTHER MATTER, IT WAS REAL IMPORTANT TO ME TO HEAR FROM THE COLLEGE HOUSE AND THE CO-OP FOLKS ABOUT HOW THEY THINK THIS WILL WORK FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING BECAUSE I DID HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THAT THE HIGH RISES WOULD BE MOSTLY FOR STUDENTS THAT DON'T NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT, AND WE DON'T WANT TO LIMIT THE UNIVERSITY TO THAT. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE PEOPLE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS WITH LOWER INCOMES AND A WIDE RANGE OF INCOMES. SO THAT WAS IMPORTANT TO ME TO HEAR FROM THEM. MR. GORILY WHO HAS A TRACK RECORD OF PROVIDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE COLLEGE HOUSE PEOPLE AND SEE IF WE CAN GET BETTER IDEAS. I POINT OUT WE STILL HAVE A LITTLE WAYS TO GO ON THAT. I'M FINE WITH TAKING A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME, AND EVERYONE HERE HAS BEEN FOCUSED ON IT FOR A LONG TIME WHERE COUNCIL HAS BEEN KEPT APPRISED OF

IT, BUT WE NEED TO FOCUS ON IT A LITTLE BIT OURSELVES, SO I THINK THAT'S FINE, BUT I REALLY WANT TO CONGRATULATE Y'ALL AND IT WAS REALLY GREAT TO SIT UP HERE AND WITNESS THIS THIS EVENING.

THANK YOU SOWNLS MEMBER FOR THE COMMENTS -- COUNCIL MEBL FOR YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS.

IN AUSTIN AND THE REST OF THE UNITED STATES HERE'S HOW LAND TRANSPORTATION WORKS. YOU HAVE OFFICE PARKS. YOU DRIVE TO THE OFFICE PARK. YOU WANT TO GO TO LUNCH. YOU GET IN YOUR CAR, DRIVE OUT OF THE OFFICE PARK, DRIVE DOWN THE ROAD AND GO TO THE POWER CENTER, WHEN YOU GO BACK TO THE OFFICE PARK AND GO BY YOURSELF HOME IN YOUR CAR IN THE GATED OR CUL-DE-SAC NEIGHBORHOOD AND EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD LOOKS THE SAME. AUSTIN IS ONE CITY THAT EXPERIENCED SUBURBAN SPRAWL AND LOSS OF OPEN SPACE. ANOTHER THING WE'VE DONE IS IMPORTED THE SUBURBAN DEVELOPMENT MODEL OF LARGE SETBACK AND STRICT SEGREGATION OF USES AND LACK OF PLANNING INTO OUR HOLD HISTORIC NEIGHBORS. SO THE ONLY PLANNING WE'VE GIVEN THE CENTRAL CITY NEIGHBORHOODS IS THE TOOLS THAT HAVE SEWED THE SEEDS OF THE FAVORITE SAYING OF THE MOMENT OF BEING NIBBLED TO GETTH BY DUCKS. BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WAY. I USED TO LIVE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. RIGHT OUT OF COLLEGE. I LIVED IN A NEIGHBORHOOD IN CAPITOL HILL IN LINCOLN PARK, AND YOU WALKED EVERYWHERE. I KNOW THE MAYOR TALKED ABOUT HIS SIMILAR EXPERIENCES IN CHICAGO. WE TALKED ABOUT THE LEVEL OF TRAFFIC THAT MIGHT HAPPEN, BUT WHEN YOU LIVE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD WHEN YOU CAN WALK TO SCHOOL OR THE GROCERY STORE OR TO A NEIGHBORHOOD RESTAURANT, YOU DON'T NEED YOUR CAR AND, IN FACT, IN D.C. WHAT I EXPERIENCED IS THERE WAS VERY LITTLE TRAFFIC IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. YOU WENT ACROSS THE PA POTOMAC RIVER IN VIRGINIA YOU GOT CRUSHED BY THE SUBURBS, BECAUSE THE MODEL WORKED, HAVING A LOT OF PLACES TO WALK AND DO THINGS THAT WAY. LAST YEAR THE METRO AREA IN AUSTIN VOTED AND THE RESULT THAT CAME OUT WAS SCENARIO D WHICH PROVIDED THE MOST DENSITY, AND A LOT OF PEOPLE AT THE TIME REMEMBER SAYING, WELL, IN CENTRAL

TEXAS THIS IS DEAD ON RIVAL, LIT NEVER HAPPEN BECAUSE THE NEIGHBORHOODS WILL NEVER GO FOR IT. WELL, WHAT WE HAVE SEEN AT THE COUNCIL MEETING TODAY IS THAT CONVENTIONAL WISDOM IS WRONG AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS DID GO FOR IT AS LONG AS IT WAS -- IT WAS PLANNED AHEAD AND PRESERVED A SENSE OF PLACE AND WAS GOOD PLANNING. IT WAS IT WASN'T THE SUPER DUPLEXES. IT WAS A COMMUNITY AND SENSE OF PLACE, A LOT OF HARD WORK. THIS HAS BEEN A BIG DAY IN THIS CITY. WE STARTED OFF WITH MORE INFORMATION ON THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN WHICH NOW I THINK IS SECOND NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE CITY AFTER WEST CAMPUS, BUT THIS WAS A PLAN DEVELOPED BY YOUR JACOBS TO THE EAST OF YOU. ONCE AGAIN PROVING THE NEIGHBORHOODS WILL GO TO DENSITY IF IT'S PLANNED WELL AND DONE RIGHT. WE HAD THE PIONEER HILLS TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PASS A FIRST READING TODAY. THE QUARTER PLANS WILL GO INTO EFFECT THIS FALL IDEALLY. IT SHOWS AUSTINITES ARE WILLING TO EMBRACE THE FUTURE, NOT JUST THROUGH PLATITUDES BUT THROUGH FACTS ON THE GROUND,. WHEN YOU HAVE PEOPLE LIVING WITH EACH OTHER AND WALKING AROUND, YOU START TO REFORM A COMMUNITY AGAIN, AND THAT'S A GOOD THING. AND WHAT WE'VE SEEN ALSO IS WHAT YOU ALL HAVE ACCOMPLISHED -- THIS IS A BIG DEAL -- WHAT YOU ALL HAVE ACCOMPLISHED IS MAKE GREAT THINGS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS. WHERE WE WENT TO SCHOOL, EVERYBODY WALKED EVERYWHERE. I DIDN'T HAVE A CAR MY FIRST TWO YEARS, DIDN'T NEED IT, AND EVEN AFTER I HAD IT, I NEVER USED IT. IT WAS A MIXED USE COMMUNITY, EASY TO GET AROUND AND HAD A REAL SENSE OF COMMUNITY. THIS IS ALSO A VERY GOOD THING BECAUSE WE HAD THE QUARTER PLANS COMING UP AND THE COMMUTER RAIL ELECTION THIS FALL. WHAT THIS SHOWS IS THE OPPORTUNITY THAT THE BALL YOU PLACED ON THE GROUND IN THE COMMUTER RAIL STOPS, FOR INSTANCE, WE'LL GET THE PERMISSION TO PLACE A VERY VIABLE MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM IN THE CITY WHICH WE NEED. LEANDER IS REDOING THEIR TOWN PLANS WHICH YOU'VE ALL DONE. WE NEED TO REDENSEFY THE PICKLE CAMPUS AREA WHICH IS RIGHT FOR REDEVELOPMENT. WE HAVE THE ROBERTSON RANCH WHICH IS ANOTHER DENSE NEIGHBORHOOD. THIS IS

A BIG START TONIGHT. I WANT TO TALK REAL QUICK ABOUT TRAFFIC. MY EXPERIENCE, I LIVE IN NORTHWEST HILLS, WE HAVE A LOT OF STUDENT APARTMENTS THERE AND WHEN THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TAKES OFF IN THE SEMESTER YOU CAN FLY IN ON MOPAC, YOU KNOW. AND WHAT THIS SHOWS IS YOU GET THE STUDENTS WALKING TO CLASS AND THEY'RE NOT ON RIVERSIDE, I-35 OR MOPAC, I CAN TELL YOU FROM FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE WHEN THEY'RE NOT DRIVING FROM THEIR APARTMENTS IN NORTHWEST HILLS, IT'S A LOT SERIES ON THE ROAD SYSTEM AND WILL BE GREAT FOR THE UNIVERSITY AND THE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE. I DON'T THINK IT MATTERS IF THE STUDENTS BRING THEIR CAR BECAUSE THEY WON'T USE THEM ONCE THEY PARK THEM IN THE GARAGE AND WALK TO CLASS. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CITY STAFF, TO COTERRA AND REED WHO HAVE DONE AN EXCEPTIONAL JOB OF PLANNING WHAT THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE COMMUNITY WILL LOOK. A CONGRATULATIONS ON MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN FOR HELPING TO BRING IT ABOUT AND MOST OF ALL CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. YOU HAVE CHANGED THE PARADIGM, NOT JUST IN AUSTIN, BUT AROUND THE COUNTRY. [APPLAUSE]

COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

THANK YOU. VERY BRIEFLY, I JUST WANT TO COMMEND EVERYONE WHO'S BEEN INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS AND CONTINUES ON THE INVOLVED -- CONTINUES TO BE INVOLVED, WITH A LOT OF FERVER, APPARENTLY. EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN WE GO TO HAS ITS OWN UNIQUE ASPECT TO IT BECAUSE, AGAIN, THE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE ARTICULATING THEIR OWN VISION AND SPENT A YEAR TO TWO YEARS, IN SOME CASES -- ONE PLAN TOOK ABOUT THREE YEARS TO ARTICULATE A VISION AND ACTUALLY GET THE ZONING APPROVED AND EVERYTHING. THIS ONE HAD SO MANY DIFFERENT UNIQUE ASPECTS AND AS THE WHOLE PROCESS STARTED WAS UNIQUE IN AND OF ITSELF. AND ALREADY THERE WAS UNIQUENESS TO THE PROCESS AND TO -- AGAIN TO THIS PLAN AND THIS IDEA OF THE FUTURE FOR THIS AREA BECAUSE THERE WAS JUST SO MUCH CONCERN ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THESE NEIGHBORHOODS BEFORE THIS PROCESS WAS INITIATED AND I THINK THIS WAS, YOU KNOW, A BRILLIANT IDEA IN RETROSPECT, AND I

CERTAINLY WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR PRO TEM FOR HAVING THAT BRAINSTORM. SO, FROM TIME TO TIME, I'VE RUN INTO SOME OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOLKS, AND THEY WOULD SURPRISE ME AND SAYOFF THING -- EVERYTHING SEEMS TO BE GOING WELL AND WE'RE MAKING HEADWAY, AND IT WAS PROBABLY TWO OR THREE MONTHS AGO WHERE A GROUP OF FOLKS CAME TO MEET WITH ME AND IT WAS ALL OF THE FOLKS THAT, YOU KNOW, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO COULDN'T BE IN THE SAME ROOM TOGETHER, NECESSARILY, AND, SO, I WASN'T QUITE SURE WHAT THE MESSAGE WAS GOING TO BE WHEN I GOT INTO THE ROOM. BUT IT WAS A VERY POSITIVE MESSAGE, AND CERTAINLY WAS VERY HAPPY ABOUT THAT AND CERTAINLY ANOTHER UNIQUE OR MEMORABLE MOMENT FOR ME, AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT EVERYONE WAS TALKING ABOUT AT THE -- OR SUGGESTING WAS THAT WE NEED TO COME BEFORE BRENTWOOD, YOU KNOW. WE'RE SO HAPPY WITH THE END PRODUCT THAT WE WANT TO GO FIRST, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T WANT TO WAIT ANYMORE. AND, SO, THAT, KIND OF, WAS A UNIQUE SORT OF OPINION, ALTHOUGH THEY DIDN'T NECESSARILY COME BEFORE BRENTWOOD, AND IN THE END, I THINK IT SEEMS LIKE BRENTWOOD ENDED UP BEING ONE OF THE MORE CHALLENGING PLANS WE'VE HAD TO DEAL WITH, EVEN THOUGH IT MAY NOT NECESSARILY BE AS BIG OR DIE VERSE AS THIS PARTICULAR GROUP OF NEIGHBORHOODS, BUT THAT WAS CERTAINLY SOME MEMORABLE, AND NOW RECENTLY WHEN WE HEARD THAT THERE WAS A POSTING ERROR AND THE ZONING WAS GOING TO HAVE TO COME BACK, I THOUGHT SURELY NO ONE'S GOING TO WANT TO GO THROUGH TWO SETS OF PUBLIC HEARING WITH WHAT AMOUNTS TO THE SAME -- YOU KNOW, THE SAME ISSUES. BUT I THINK PEOPLE WERE -- AGAIN, THAT'S HOW STRONGLY PEOPLE FEEL ABOUT THIS PLAN AND HOW MUCH THEY SUPPORT IT. THEY DON'T MIND TALKING ABOUT IT AND COMING AND VISITING WITH US AND EDUCATING US ABOUT WHAT THE PLAN SAYS. I KNOW THERE'S STILL, YOU KNOW, SOME FOLKS OUT THERE THAT -- WITH SOME ISSUES THEY WANT TO DISCUSS, AND THAT'S WHAT, YOU KNOW, THIS PART OF THE PROCESS IS, IS TO MAKE SURE THAT COUNCIL UNDERSTANDS WHAT THE PLAN THE PROPOSING AND WHAT IS A GOOD WAY FOR US TO PROCEED, YOU KNOW, WITH THIS PARTICULAR ENDEAVOR.

BUT I DO WANT TO COMMEND EVERYONE FOR THEIR PERSEVERANCE AND THEIR HARD WORK AND THEIR DETERMINATION TO GET TO THIS POINT AND CERTAINLY LOOK FORWARD TO VISITING WITH FOLKS IN THE COMING WEEKS TO JUST GET US TO THE END OF THE PROCESS, AND THERE IS A LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL, AND WE WANT TO AGAIN THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR HARD WORK. [ONE MOMENT FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

Mayor Wynn: WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION TO TAKE UP CONSULTATION WITH OUR ATTORNEY RELATED TO SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS IN OUR E.T.J. WE ARE IN CLOSED SESSION. WELCOME BACK IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE UP AGENDA ITEM 44. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: WE ARE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION. IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WE TOOK UP ITEM NUMBER 29 PURSUANT TO THE OPEN RECORDS LAW -- OPEN MEETINGS ACT, I'M SORRY. NO DECISIONS WERE MADE. COUNCIL, LET'S CALL UP OUR LAST ITEM OF THE EVENING, WHICH IS ITEM 44, AND I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION.

Goodman: MAYOR?

Mayor Wynn: MAYOR PRO TEM.

Goodman: I'D LIKE TO OFFER MYSELF AS A VOLUNTEER COUNCILMEMBER IN THIS CAPACITY AND COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER AS WELL. SO THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION, TO APPOINT COUNCILMEMBERS SLUSHER AND GOODMAN.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ TO APPOINT THE MAYOR PRO TEM AND COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER TO A JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT TO DISCUSS ISSUES REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1445. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF

SEVEN TO ZERO. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE COUNCIL MEETING.

Slusher: SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. ALL IN FAVOR?

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: WE'RE ADJOURNED.

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