

Closed Caption Log, Council Meeting, 8/12/04

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Mayor Wynn: GOOD MORNING. I'M AUSTIN MAYOR WILL WYNN, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME REVEREND BOBBI KAY JONES PASTOR AT SAINT JOHN'S.

THIS MORNING I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU SOME OLD STUFF. ABOUT 25 YEARS AGO, JOHN WESLEY STARTED A LINE OF THOUGHT FROM PUBLIC CITIZENS, PRIVATER -- PUBLIC SERVANTS AND PRIVATE CITIZENS AS WELL. IT'S MORE OF AN INVITATION THAN INVOCATION. HERE'S MR. WESLEY, DO ALL OF THE GOOD THAT YOU CAN, BY ALL OF THE MEANS THAT YOU CAN, IN ALL OF THE WAYS YOU CAN, IN ALL OF THE PLACES YOU CAN, AT ALL THE TIMES YOU CAN, TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE YOU CAN, AS LONG AS EVER YOU CAN. MAY IT BE SO FOR US. AMEN.

AMEN.

THANK YOU, PASTOR JONES. THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT AT THIS TIME I'LL CALL TO ORDER THE MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. IT IS THURSDAY, AUGUST 12th, 2004, WE ARE IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY, 3700 LAKE AUSTIN BOULEVARD, AUSTIN, TEXAS, IT'S ABOUT 20 MINUTES AFTER 10:00 IN THE MORNING. COUNCIL, BEFORE WE GET TO OUR BUSINESS, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO PAUSE AND REFLECT ON THE PASSING YESTERDAY OF MR. DAVID HARPER. DAVID, AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, WAS -- WAS PRESIDENT OF THE ANDERSON MILL M.U.D., REALLY FOR 20 SOME ODD YEARS, I BELIEVE. AND DAVID ALSO SERVED ON

CAPITAL METRO'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE IF YOU WOULD TO PLEASE JOIN ME IN A MOMENT OF SILENCE AND REMEMBRANCE AND THANKS FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF MR. DAVID HARPER.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DAVID'S LEGACY LIVES ON WITH HIS REMARKABLE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE ANDERSON MILL M.U.D., HIS GREAT WORK AT CAPITAL METRO'S BOARD SERVING ALONGSIDE COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER AND THOMAS ON THAT IMPORTANT BOARD.

Slusher: IF I COULD JUST ADD TO THAT, COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS AND I BOTH REALLY LOVED SERVING WITH MR. HARPER. HE IS ALSO THE PRESIDENT OF THE ANDERSON MILL M.U.D. BOARD FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS. HE HAD JUST GOTTEN REELECTED AND IT'S A -- IT'S A VERY NICE COMMUNITY THERE. ANYONE THAT GOES THROUGH THERE, SEES THE SIDEWALK, THE TRAIL NETWORK THROUGH THERE, THAT'S THE HANDIWORK OF DAVID HARPER, THAT'S GOING TO LIVE ON FOR MANY, MANY YEARS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER.
COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS?

Thomas: YEAH. I WOULD JUST SAY THAT -- TO THE FAMILY THAT -- THAT WE SENT OUR PRAYERS, BUT MR. HARPER WAS A GENTLEMAN OF 87 YEARS OLD, BUT HAD A MIND OF LIKE A 20-YEAR-OLD. AND EVEN HAD ACTIVITY IN HIS LIMBS LIKE A 20-YEAR-OLD. WHEN I FIRST CAME TO THE BOARD, HE WAS VERY WELCOME, WARM, AND ALWAYS COMPASSION -- HAD A COMPASSION FOR PEOPLE. WE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO TRAVEL ON SEVERAL CONFERENCES WITH HIM AND HE -- HE HAD STARTED UP A PROJECT THEN WITH A SCHOLARSHIP FOR KIDS, SO THAT I SEVERED CO-CHAIR WITH HIM -- SERVED CO-CHAIR WITH HIM. LOOKS LIKE I WILL TRY TO CONTINUE THE LEGACY THAT HE HAD FOR THE KIDS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES TO THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. BUT I SEND TO THE FAMILY PRAYERS OF -- OF CONDOLENCE AND -- AND WE AS A BOARD, AT METRO, WILL DEFINITELY MISS HIM. BUT HIS LEGACY WILL GO ON. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. ALSO, IT'S MY DISTINCT PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME A SIGNIFICANT DELEGATION HERE FROM OUR SISTER CITY IN THE STATE OF MEXICO, IN SALTILLO, THE DELEGATION IS BEING LED BY THE MAYOR, PROFESSOR MARENA AND I'LL SAY THAT JUST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO I TOOK MY FIRST TRIP DOWN TO SALTILLO, LEADING OUR SISTER CITY DELEGATION, WE WERE OF COURSE LED BY OUR SISTER CITY COORDINATING CHAIR, OFFICER DALE MOSTLY..... MUNOZ WITH US THIS MORNING, WE HAD A REMARKABLE VISIT, A FUN TIME. THERE'S A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF BUSINESS GOING ON THERE. CAPITAL METRO HAS HAD A LONG STANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY OF SALTILLO, AND NOW WE ARE ACTUALLY WORKING TO -- IN ADDITION TO THE CULTURAL ASPECT IT IS OF OUR SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP, BUILD MORE ON POTENTIAL BUSINESS PARTNERING BETWEEN COMPANIES IN OUR TWO FAIR CITIES. BUT IT'S MY DISTINCT PRIVILEGE, IF YOU WOULD PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING, FIRST, THE MAYOR OF SALTILLO, PROFESSOR..... PROFESSOR UMBERTO MORENO. HUMBERTO? CLAM CLAM.....[APPLAUSE] IF I COULD, I WOULD LIKE PERHAPS WITH JOE MUNOZ'S HELP, OR ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE DELEGATION, IF WE COULD HAVE AN INTRODUCTION OF THE SIGNIFICANT DELEGATION THAT HIS MAYOR HAS BROUGHT WITH HIM. SEVERAL COUNCILMEMBERS FROM SALTILLO, WE HAVE SEVERAL PRESIDENTS OF TWO OF THE UNIVERSITIES IN SALTILLO, WE HAVE BUSINESS LEADERS, WE HAVE THE POLICE CHIEF, PERHAPS IF JOE COULD HELP US WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF THE DELEGATION.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. WHAT I'LL DO IS SINCE I DON'T KNOW EVERYBODY, I DO KNOW THE COUNCILMEMBERS AND THE MAYOR, OF COURSE, THE POLICE CHIEF AND FIRE CHIEF ARE HERE. THE DIRECTOR OF THE -- WITH THE AID OF ONE OF THE GENTLEMEN, HE WILL INTRODUCE EVERYTHING AND ON --

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IN FIRST PLACE IS MAYOR HUMBERTO MORENO. HE'S BEEN MAYOR FOR A YEAR AND A HALF, ONE YEAR TO GO. WE ARE VERY HAPPY TO WORK WITH HIM. FIRST OF ALL, ANTONIO, A COUNCILMEMBER. IN CHARGE OF THREE OF THE COMMISSIONS IN SALTILLO.

SECOND TERMS, [INDISCERNIBLE], A COUNCILMEMBER. IT'S -- AUGUSTINE RAMOS ALSO A COUNCILMEMBER IN CHARGE OF THREE DIFFERENT COMMISSIONS. THE A COUNCILMEMBER IN SALTILLO, ALSO IN CHARGE OF ANOTHER TWO COMMISSIONS. AND -- AND [INDISCERNIBLE] IS -- IS ANOTHER COUNCILMEMBER IN CHARGE OF TRANSPORT AND THAT'S PEOPLE THAT -- THAT -- A LOT OF RELATIONS WITH CAPITAL METRO HERE IN AUSTIN FOR A LONG TIME. A LEADER FROM THE TRANSPORT BUSINESS IN SALTILLO. MR. CORTEZ, ALSO A COUNCILMEMBER IN SALTILLO, IN CHARGE OF TWO COMMISSIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO INTRODUCE TO YOU -- A -- TWO -- TWO MOST IMPORTANT UNIVERSITIES IN SALTILLO, MAYBE ONE OF THOSE IN MEXICO, VICTOR, CAN YOU PLEASE STAND UP, IS IN CHARGE OF -- OF THE -- UNIVERSITY IN SALTILLO, THE DIRECTOR DOING A PRETTY GOOD JOB. THE UNIVERSITY OF SALTILLO ANTONIO MARRO, ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT UNIVERSITIES IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY. ALSO INTRODUCE TO YOU, THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT CHIEF, WILL YOU PLEASE STAND UP. ALSO INTRODUCE TO YOU ARM ARMANDO MIRRA, DIRECTOR OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS IN SALTILLO. WILL YOU -- WILL YOU -- PROTECTION, ALSO IN SECURITY, ALSO COMING WITH US. IN CHARGE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN SALTILLO, DOING A PRETTY GOOD JOB, ALSO. AND -- AND WELL AS, [INDISCERNIBLE] IS IN CHARGE OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS IN THE CITY. I DON'T WANT TO SKIP ANYONE. [INDISCERNIBLE] A PRIVATE SECTOR OF THE MAYOR. AND MR. [INDISCERNIBLE] WILL YOU PLEASE STAND UP, THE -- ALSO A PRIVATE SECRETARY FOR THE MAYOR. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE] I WOULD LIKE TO, MR. MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, TO -- ON BEHALF OF MR. MORENO, WHO WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR ALL OF YOUR ATTENTIONS, OF THE ATTENTIONS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN HAVING WITH US IN THESE COUPLE OF DAYS, AND WE WILL BE VERY HAPPY TO -- TO INVITE YOU BACK TO -- TO YOUR SISTER CITY IN MEXICO. YOU WILL BE WELCOME WITH OPEN ARMS, OPEN DOORS ANY TIME YOU WANT TO BE THERE. WE KNOW OUR RELATION IS GOING TO BE STRONGER EACH DAY. AND WE HOPE TO KEEP IT THAT WAY FOR A VERY, VERY LONG TIME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: MUCHAS GRACIAS.

MAYOR, IF I MAY, I WANT TO ADD THAT SALTILLO'S FIRE DEPARTMENT ONLY HAS FOUR FIRE STATIONS AND THEY DON'T HAVE VERY MANY FIRES OVER THERE, BUT THEY ARE WELL EQUIPPED, THANKS TO THE AID THAT AUSTIN HAS GIVEN THEM. THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS ABOUT 750 OFFICERS FOR A CITY THE SIZE OF AUSTIN. THEY ARE -- THEY ARE A VERY SECURE CITY, MUCH LIKE AUSTIN, AND I'M -- I WILL SAY THAT -- THAT WE HAVE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM. AND A LOT OF OUR EQUIPMENT THAT'S DESIGNATED TO BE -- TO BE DESTROYED HAS GONE TO THE OFFICERS OF SALTILLO AND HELPED THEM IMMENSELY. THANK YOU AND THE COUNCIL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. WE ARE -- AUSTIN IS THE -- AND SALTILLO IS THE OLDEST SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITHIN THE SISTER CITIES HERE IN AUSTIN. OBVIOUSLY BY THE TURNOUT THAT WE HAVE HERE TODAY, THE DEDICATION ON THEIR END, THE COMMITMENT IS THERE TO STAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, JOE. AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: THANK YOU, MAYOR, I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE DELEGATION FOR COMING TO VISIT OUR CITY. AND -- AND REALLY IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO SPEND A LITTLE BIT OF TIME WITH EVERYONE. [SPEAKING IN SPANISH] [SPEAKING IN SPANISH] 1967 IS WHEN AUSTIN AND SALTILLO BECAME SISTER CITIES, THE OLDEST OR LONGEST STANDING SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP THAT WE HAVE. I WANT TO -- TO AGAIN EXPRESS OUR COMMITMENT TO THE -- TO SALTILLO TO CONTINUE THAT RELATIONSHIP AND GROW THAT RELATIONSHIP. GET -- [SPEAKING IN SPANISH] [SPEAKING IN SPANISH] I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS THAT ARE HERE FROM OUR SISTER CITIES ASSOCIATION, BECAUSE THEY DO A LOT OF WORK PLANNING OUR TRIP THAT WE TAKE TO AUSTIN, I MEAN TO SALTILLO IN JULY, SO IT'S ONLY BEEN TWO OR THREE WEEKS SINCE OUR DELEGATION VISITED SALTILLO. AND THEN HOSTING THE DELEGATION FROM SALTILLO, NOT JUST RIGHT NOW, BUT IN MAY, TYPICALLY, IS WHEN WE ALSO HAVE A DELEGATION FROM SALTILLO COME VISIT AUSTIN AND TO DO THAT EXCHANGE AND CONTINUE THE RELATIONSHIP. BUT I WANT TO THANK PERSONALLY MAYOR WYNN FOR GOING AND VISITING SALTILLO, THIS WAS THE FIRST YEAR THAT I WAS

NOT ABLE TO GO SINCE I'VE BEEN ON THE COUNCIL BECAUSE I HAD A FOUR WEEK OLD BABY, I DO HAVE, NOW SHE'S SIX WEEKS OLD, BUT I WASN'T ABLE TO PULL AWAY THIS TIME. LOOK FORWARD NEXT YEAR TO JOINING THE DELEGATION TO JOINING SALTILLO. BUT IT REALLY MEANS A LOT FOR ME, MAYOR, TO BE INVOLVED, ALL OF THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS THAT HAVE PARTICIPATED. COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER HAS VISITED A COUPLE OF TIMES. AND IT'S ALWAYS A GREAT EXPERIENCE, THEY TREAT US LIKE ROYALTY. WE HAVE A GREAT TIME. GET TO -- TO SEE SOME OF THE SITES AND I KNOW THIS TIME THEY ENDED UP TOURING SOME OF THE WINE COUNTRY OUT THERE, WHICH I HEAR IS BEAUTIFUL. BEING INVOLVED IN CONTACTING AUSTIN, SALTILLO SISTER CITY. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR COMING. [SPEAKING IN SPANISH] [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. THAT -- I WILL SAY THAT -- SO WHILE A DELEGATION FROM SALTILLO IS HERE IN AUSTIN, THEY HAVE BEEN VISITING AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE BECAUSE OF THE LONG STANDING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A.C.C. AND SEVERAL UNIVERSITIES IN SALTILLO. THEY VISITED OUR NEW INTERNATIONAL CENTER, THEY WERE KEENLY INTERESTED IN THE WORLD CONGRESS ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY THAT WILL BE HELD IN AUSTIN IN MAY OF 2006. WE WOULD HOPE TO SEE FRANKLY A LARGE MEXICAN PRESENCE AT THAT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN AUSTIN AS THEY TALK THROUGH AND THINK ABOUT WHAT ROLE MEXICO CAN PLAY IN -- IN DEVELOPING THE TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE, REALLY IN THIS ENTIRE HEMISPHERE. THEY VISITED THE GREATER AUSTIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S MEXICO TRADE CENTER, WHICH IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF US TRYING TO EXPAND MARKETS FOR OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES. AND RECOGNIZING THAT MEXICO IS FAR AND AWAY THE LARGEST INTERNATIONAL TRADING PARTNER THAT TEXAS HAS, BUT ALSO AUSTIN BUSINESSES HAVE, VERY COST EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT FOR OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AND CHAMBERS TO WORK TOGETHER TO TRY TO INCREASE THEIR MARKETS IN MEXICO. THEY WENT TO THE SALT LICK FOR DINNER LAST NIGHT. [LAUGHTER] AND I THINK THEY HAVE ENJOYED THEMSELVES, BUT AGAIN THEY ARE HERE, WORKING HARD, THERE'S A NUMBER OF -- NUMBER OF FORMAL

RELATIONSHIPS THAT HAVE BEEN FORMED OVER THE YEARS AND WE ARE PROUD OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE PRETTY REMARKABLE RELATIONSHIP. THE CITY OF SALTILLO IS A BEAUTIFUL CITY. IT'S UP IN THE MOUNTAINS. IT'S APPROXIMATELY I THINK ABOUT 5,000 FEET IN ELEVATION. MUCH COOLER THAN AUSTIN IN THE SUMMERTIME. AND HISTORICALLY, THOSE OF YOU ALL PROBABLY REMEMBER THAT TEXAS WAS -- WAS PART OF THE STATE OF COJUELA, SALTILLO BEING THE CAPITOL WAS IN FACT OUR CAPITOL. FOR THE EARLY TEJANOS WHO WERE IN WHAT IS NOW TEXAS AND THE EARLY ANGLO PIONEERS WHO CAME TO THIS AREA, IN FACT OUR CAPITAL CITY WAS SALTILLO AND THERE'S -- SO THERE'S BOTH HISTORIC AND CULTURAL BUSINESS TIES BETWEEN THE TWO CITIES, WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE RELATIONSHIP. AGAIN, PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING OUR DELEGATION FROM SALTILLO, MEXICO. [APPLAUSE] ADIAO. -- ADIOS. [LAUGHTER] CLEAR WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE ARE GOING TO INTERRUPT THE MEETING FOR A COUPLE OF QUICK PHOTOS, THANK YOU. THANK YOU, FOLKS, I APOLOGIZE FOR THE BRIEF DELAY, IT'S WELL WORTH IT, WE ARE VERY PROUD OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH SALTILLO. COUNCIL, AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO READ THE CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS TO THIS WEEK'S POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 12, WE WILL NOTE THAT IT IS TO BE POSTPONED TO AUGUST 26th, 2004. ON ITEM NO. 30, WE WILL STRIKE THE WORDS OVER THE DURATION, AND INSERT THE WORD "FOR" AND THEN WE WILL STRIKE THE WORDS "OVER THE DURATION OF" INSERT THE WORD ESTIMATED NET ANNUAL REVENUE FOR OF THE". SO THIS SUMMARY WILL NOW READ: THE NET ESTIMATED ANNUAL REVENUE OF \$90,000 FOR THE FIVE YEAR CONTRACT PERIOD, \$90,000 ESTIMATED NET ANNUAL REVENUE FOR EACH OF THE FIVE YEAR EXTENSION OPTIONS. THAT'S FISCAL YEAR 2003, 2004. ON ITEM NO. Z-4, WE SHOULD STRIKE THE NOTE THAT A VALID PETITION HAD BEEN FILED AND -- IN OPPOSITION TO THAT ZONING REQUEST. OUR TIME CERTAINS TODAY AT 12:00, WE WILL BREAK FOR OUR GENERAL CITIZENS COMMUNICATION. AT 2:00 WE WILL HAVE -- WE WILL HAVE A BOND SALE THAT SHOWS AS ITEM NO. 43 ON TODAY'S AGENDA. WE ALSO WILL HAVE OUR PROPOSED BUDGET BRIEFING PRESENTATION AND THIS PRESENTATION, ALSO APPROXIMATELY 2:00, WILL BE REGARDING THE

COMMUNITY SERVICES, NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LIBRARY, PARKS AND RECREATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND THE COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES DEPARTMENTS. IT WILL ALSO INCLUDE A BUDGET BRIEFING ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT. AT 4:00, WE BROKE FOR ZONING HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. THOSE SHOW THIS WEEK AS ITEMS 45 THROUGH 50 ON THE AGENDA, AND ITEM Z-1 THROUGH Z-5. I WILL ANNOUNCE NOW THAT AT 4:00 STAFF WILL BE REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT OF THE ZONING CASE Z-3 RELATED TO WALLGREEN'S AND THE ZONING CASE Z-5 REFERRED TO AS BRODIE 31. AGAIN, THOSE FORMAL POSTPONEMENTS CAN'T OCCUR UNTIL AFTER 4:00 P.M. AT 5:30 WE BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS, AT 6:00 PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS THAT THIS WEEK SHOW AS ITEM NO. 51 ON THE AGENDA. CURRENTLY, COUNCIL, THERE ARE NO ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN PULLED FOR DISCUSSION OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA. ANY -- ANY ITEMS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO PULL? IF I COULD, COUNCIL, WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM NO. 42, REPRESENTED TO US AUTHORIZING THE -- THE CITY MANAGER, THE BUILDINGS AND -- TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ANY TERMS OR CONDITIONS REASONABLE TO -- AND NECESSARY FOR THE LEASE OF APPROXIMATELY 1.68 ACRES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE OLD AUSTIN RECREATION CENTER, WITH AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR AISD. WE ARE POSTED FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM NO. 40. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT AREN'T ANY QUESTIONS OR ISSUES RELATED TO THAT POTENTIAL PROJECT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT ITEM NO. 42 BE PUT -- PLACED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA IF THAT'S THE CASE THERE WILL BE NO REASON TO HAVE ITEM NO. 40 THE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM POSTED ON THIS WEEK'S AGENDA. WITHOUT OBJECTION ITEM 42 WILL BE ADDED TO THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Dunkerly: IN THE ZONING CASES RELATED TO THE PLANS AND ZONING AROUND THE UNIVERSITY AREA, I'VE HAD SEVERAL E-MAILS COME IN TO ASK IF THOSE ARE GOING TO BE POSTPONED, ALSO, I DIDN'T HEAR WHETHER OR NOT YOU HAD THAT ON YOUR AGENDA OR IF IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE

HAVE TO CONSIDER AT THAT TIME.

Mayor Wynn: WELL, TECHNICALLY, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO POSTPONE THAT UNTIL AFTER 4:00 P.M., BUT I WOULD -- I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF STAFF IS AWARE OF ANY POTENTIAL POSTPONEMENTS OF -- OF ESSENTIALLY WHAT WOULD BE THE CENTRAL AUSTIN COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, IF SO WE WILL ANNOUNCE THAT INTENTION NOW SO FOLKS HERE OR LISTENING AT HOME MIGHT HAVE THAT KNOWLEDGE. I'M NOT SURE IF MS. GLASGO OR MR. GUERNSEY OR ANY OF OUR ZONING STAFF ARE HERE. IF NOT WE WILL NOTE THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY IN THE DISCUSSION OF POSTPONING THE CENTRAL AUSTIN COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS AFTER OUR 4:00 TIME CERTAIN.

MAYOR, WE WILL TRY TO FIND THAT ANSWER BEFORE THE CONSENT AGENDA IS FINAL.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. THANK YOU. COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

Dunkerly: I'M SORRY. I WOULD LIKE TO BRING AN ITEM BACK FOR THE NEXT AGENDA TO REQUEST THAT THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION TASK FORCE WHO JUST TURNED IN THE REPORT TO US, REQUEST THEM TO RECONSIDER THEIR REPORT IN LIGHT OF THE LEGAL OPINION THAT WE ARE UNABLE TO DO GRANDFATHERING. SO WITH -- WITH -- THEY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE MANY CHANGES, BUT I WOULD LIKE THEM TO TAKE 30 DAYS OR SO AND JUST TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT IT. I WILL BRING THAT BACK NEXT TIME WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS FROM COUNCIL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. AGAIN, THAT'S A LIKELY ITEM ON A FUTURE COUNCIL AGENDA. SO, COUNCIL, WITH THAT, I'LL READ WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE THE CONSENT AGENDA. NUMERICALLY. THE CONSENT AGENDA THIS WEEK WILL BE ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, TO POSTPONEMENT AUGUST 26th, 2004, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, PER CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS, 31, 32, 33, ITEM 34 IS OUR APPOINTMENTS TO OUR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, AT THIS TIME I WILL READ THOSE INTO THE RECORD. TO OUR CONSTRUCTION

ADVISORY COMMITTEE, CHRIS WAGNER IS COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY'S APPOINTMENT. AND CALVIN WILLIAMS IS COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS'S REAPPOINTMENT. TO OUR MBE-WEB ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SARAH REAMS, CONSENSUS APPOINTMENT. MEXICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD, STEVE ALVAREZ, CONSENSUS APPOINTMENT, TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, MEAT MOORE IS A CONSENSUS RE-- MATT MOORE CONSENSUS REAPPOINTMENT, TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, DEBORAH HILL, MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN'S REAPPOINTMENT. ITEM NO. 34 ON TODAY'S AGENDA. TIPPING ON, ITEM 35, AND ITEM NO. 42. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0. COUPLE,.....COUNCIL, WITH THAT, THAT LEAVES US NO DISCUSSION ITEMS PRIOR TO OUR 12:00 -- MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN?

Goodman: RELATIVE TO ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT WE PASSED, WOULD IT BE COUNCIL'S WISH THAT WE ALLOW TOM METERS, WHO I THINK IS HERE, TO ADDRESS US ABOUT THE -- ABOUT THE RENAMING OF THE FACILITY FOR GLEN BELL?

Mayor Wynn: ABSOLUTELY.

Goodman: AND MR. LIPPY AS WELL.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WAS THAT THE CONSENT ITEM THAT WAS PASSED?

Mayor Wnn: YES, JUST PASSED.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ON BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY, AUSTIN WATER UTILITY, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU. AND -- AND NAMING THE SOUTHEAST SERVICE CENTER AFTER OUR DEAR

BELOVED DEPARTED FRIEND GLEN BELL, WHO WAS WITH US FOR 25 YEARS, RETIRED FROM THE CITY LAST DECEMBER, PASSED AWAY SHORTLY AFTER THAT. AND -- AND WE LOVE THEM VERY MUCH, WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT VOTE.

Mayor Wynn: YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THAT FORWARD. THANK YOU MAYOR PRO TEM.

Goodman: GLEN AND ALL OF THESE FOLKS WHO HAVE WORKED SO HARD, I THINK, DESERVE A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FROM ALL OF US. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: COUNCIL, WITH THAT, WITH NO DISCUSSION ITEMS BEFORE OUR NOON CITIZEN COMMUNICATION, WE WILL GO INTO CLOSED SECTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO DISCUSS POTENTIALLY AGENDA ITEMS 36, RELATED TO LEGAL ISSUES IN THE CARMEN ALVARADO VERSUS RODOLFO CASTRO IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, ITEM 38 RELATED TO LEGAL ISSUES IN HECTOR FABELA VERSUS THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION. THANK YOU. HIS

Mayor Wynn: WE WILL NOW BE IN RECESS UNTIL OUR 12:00 O'CLOCK TIME CERTAIN. WE TOOK UP ITEMS 36 AND 38, NO DECISIONS WERE MADE. WE WILL NOW BE IN RECESS UNTIL OUR 12:00 O'CLOCK TIME CERTAIN. >

THERE IS A QUORUM PRESENT, AT THIS TIME I'LL CALL BACK TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. WE HAVE BEEN IN RECESS FOR APPROXIMATELY 45 MINUTES. WE HAD ENDED OUR EXECUTIVE RELATED TO ITEMS 36 AND 38. NO DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE. AT THIS TIME WE'LL TAKE UP OUR GENERAL SIT IS 17'S COMMUNICATION AND OUR FIRST SPEAKER IS MR. JIMMY CASTRO. WELCOME, JIMMY.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR WYNN, COUNCILMEMBERS, MS. FUTRELL. I DO HAVE SOME SLIDES TO SHOW YOU THIS AFTERNOON. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON MY OWN BEHALF. I'VE ALSO SERVED AS A FORMER BOARD MEMBER OF THE AUSTIN COUNCIL OF PTA'S. I'M HERE TO REMIND EVERYONE

THAT TUESDAY, AUGUST 17TH MARKS THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR THE 78,000 STUDENTS FOR THE AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. THIS FIRST SLIDE SHOWS ALL THE PREPARATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN UNDERWAY FOR THE AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 17TH. THERE'S BEEN IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR THE THOUSANDS OF TEACHERS AND ESPECIALLY THE 500 NEW TEACHERS OF THE AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE OFFICE EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN HELPING WITH PREREGISTRATION, THE CLASSIFIED WORKERS MAKING SURE THAT ALL THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AND BUSES ARE READY TO ROLL. AND THE TEACHERS HAVE BEEN WORKING ON ALL THE DECORATIONS IN THE CLASSROOM WHICH THE TEACHERS HAVE PAID FOR WITH THEIR OWN MONEY. ALL DRIVERS NEED TO REMEMBER, THE SPEED IN THE SCHOOL ZONES IS 20 MILES PER HOUR. AND FAILURE TO OBSERVE THE SCHOOL ZONE SPEED MAY RESULT UP TO A 250-DOLLAR FINE. ALL DRIVERS NEED TO REMEMBER THE SCHOOL BUS LAW WHICH STATES TO STOP WHILE SCHOOL BUSES ARE LOADING AND UNLOADING STUDENTS. AND FAILURE TO OBSERVE THE SCHOOL BUS LAW MAY RESULT UP TO A 1,000-DOLLAR FINE. AMONG THE MOST OBVIOUS, BUT OFTEN FORGOTTEN ITEMS ON THE BACK TO SCHOOL LIST IS MAKING SURE YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATIONS ARE UP TO DATE. THE AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, COMBINED WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN FIRE DEPARTMENT, ARE OFFERING THE SUMMER SHOT ROUNDUP PROGRAM. AN ESTIMATED 18,000 SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN IN AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MUST RECEIVE THE IMMUNIZATIONS BEFORE CLASSES BEGIN ON AUGUST THE 17TH. ANOTHER ANNUAL EVENT IS THE AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT MARCHING BAND JAMBOREE SET FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH AT BURGER CENTER. ONE OF THE PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS WILL INCLUDE THE ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND AND DRILL TEAM. FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN ALL THE BAND PARENTS IN ATTENDING THIS AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT EVENT WHICH WILL INCLUDE SOME OF THE TOP RATED BANDS STATEWIDE. THANK YOU, MAYOR WYNN.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. CASTRO. NEXT SPEAKER IS

CHRIS BEVILL. CHRIS BEVILLE. BEVILL. MOVING ON, JOHN WEISS. MR. JOHN WEISS. MR. PAT JOHNSON. WELCOME, MR. JOHNSON. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

IF THE OTHER SPEAKERS DIDN'T SHOW UP DO I GET THEIR THREE MINUTES? [LAUGHTER] ALL RIGHT. I'M GLAD I COME BACK UP HERE. I'VE BEEN ILL THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS AND I HAVEN'T BEEN UP TO HERE TO APPEAR. TODAY'S TOPIC OF TERRORISM, AND THE TERRORISM I WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT SPECIFICALLY IS TERRORISM BY THE TOWING COMPANIES, CERTAIN TOWING COMPANIES. I WANT TO KNOW WHY IT IS THAT THEY HAVEN'T BEEN BROUGHT BACK UP HERE TO ACTION TO TAKE CARE OF THE LOOPHOLES THAT ARE IN THE PRESENT CITY ORDINANCE AND WHY TOWING COMPANIES VIOLATE STATE LAW, THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS A RIGHT TO TAKE THEM OFF ROTATION SO THEY CANNOT PICK UP COLLISIONS ANY MORE. FURTHERMORE, IT'S A SHAME THAT THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY, AND MORE SO THE IMMIGRANTS -- BECAUSE THE HISPANIC THAT LIVES HERE IN AUSTIN, THEY PRETTY WELL KNOW WHAT THE RULES ARE, BUT THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY THAT PUMPS IN A LOT OF MONEY INTO OUR ECONOMY THAT ARE BEING TARGETED BY CERTAIN TOWING COMPANIES. TOWING THESE PEOPLE'S CARS OFF FOR EXPIRED LICENSES AND INSPECTION STICKERS WHEN THE STATE LAW SAYS YOU CAN'T TOW THEM OFF UNLESS YOU SEND THEM A CERTIFIED LETTER TO GET THE APPROXIMATE CAR FIXED. YET THE SAME TOWING COMPANY THAT THE DETECTIVE CALLED AND SAID YOU CANNOT DO THAT BECAUSE IT'S ILLEGAL, THEY CONTINUE ON DO IT ANYWAY. WHY? BECAUSE THEIR BUSINESS IS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY AND NOT IN THE CITY. A SIMPLE WAY TO ADDRESS THIS IS AMEND THE ORDINANCE. REQUIRE THAT A TOWING COMPANY THAT'S LICENSED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT STORE THOSE VEHICLES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF AUSTIN. SO IF JOHN DOE TOWING THAT'S BEEN IN OPERATION FOR FIVE YEARS FOR SOME REASON LOSES THEIR WRECKER LICENSE OR LOSES THEIR STATE CERTIFICATION AND THEY HAVE TO COME BACK IN AND APPLY TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO GET ON ROTATION OR DO PRIVATE PROPERTY I AM..... IMPOUND, THEY DON'T GET ISSUED A PERMIT BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN TO BE LOCATED WITHIN

THE CITY LIMITS. THAT'S JUST SOME OF THE ISSUES. AND FURTHERMORE, YOU KNOW, I WENT THROUGH THIS ISSUE WITH SOUTH SIDE WITH CITY STAFF ABOUT NOT HAVING WORKER'S COMP. I WANT TO KNOW WHY IT IS THAT ASSURED TOWING IS ALLOWED TO OPERATE AS A SUBCONTRACTOR UNDER THE PARKING CONTRACT FOR THE TOWING OF THOSE VEHICLES UNDER THE EIGHTH STREET BRIDGE AND THEY DON'T HAVE WORKER'S COMPENSATION. WHAT MAKES THEM ANY DIFFERENT THAN ANY OTHER CONTRACTOR WORKING FOR THE CITY? I'D LIKE TO HAVE A RESPONSE FROM CITY STAFF ON A COUPLE OF ISSUES. ONE, WHY IS ASSURED BEEN ALLOWED TO WORK UNDER THE CENTRAL PARKING CONTRACT WHEN THEY'RE THE SAME TOWING COMPANY THAT'S TOWING CARS ILLEGALLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM MUNICIPAL COURT AND THE DETECTIVE REPORTED BACK TO THE CHIEF THAT THEY HAVE MADE A COMMENT TO CITY COUNCIL ABOUT THE CARS COMING OFF THAT PROPERTY. EVEN STEVE HAMLYNN TOLD THE ASSISTANT CHIEF, YEAH, WE'VE GOT SOME PROBLEMS OVER HERE, THE PROPERTY DOESN'T COMPLY WITH STATE LAW. SO WE HAVE A TOWING COMPANY THAT'S ALREADY DETERMINED NOT TO BE TOWING CARS LEGALLY RIGHT ACROSS FROM MUNICIPAL COURT, YET THEY'RE TOWING CARS OFF UNDERNEATH 35 FOR CENTRAL PARKING AS A SUBCONTRACTOR AND THERE ARE SIGNS DOWN THERE THAT TELL YOU THAT YOU WILL BE TOWED IF YOU DON'T PAY A PARKING FEE. IT SAYS ALL VEHICLES TOWED AFTER THREE A.M., BUT IT DOES NOT TELL PEOPLE WHAT THEY DO. THEY'VE GOT -- CENTRAL PARKING HAS ONE MAN OVER TAKING MONEY ON THE WEST FRONTAGE. WELL, PEOPLE SNEAK IN OVER THERE ON THE EAST FRONTAGE OVER THERE AND THEY PARK THE CAR AND COME BACK AND FIND THE CAR GONE. THE TOWING SIGN DOESN'T SAY IT'S PAID PARKING IN THERE.

Mayor Wynn: PLEASE CONCLUDE, MR. JOHNSON.

IT'S A BIG MISCONCEPTION. COULD I HAVE A REPORT BACK FROM STAFF TODAY? BECAUSE, TOBY, YOU KNOW, OVER THE PAST SIX OR SEVEN MONTHS, THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS I WAS UP HERE AT COUNCIL, YOUR STAFF TOLD ME, WE'LL GET BACK TO YOU. AND I AIN'T HEARD NOT BACK FROM

EVERYONE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON.

THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: CITY MANAGER OR PERHAPS CITY ATTORNEY, A BRIEF RESPONSE AS TO OBVIOUSLY MR. JOHNSON BRINGS UP A LOT OF ISSUES FREQUENTLY ABOUT SOME TECHNICALITIES RELATED TO STATE LAW AND OUR ORDINANCES AND HOW WE GO ABOUT LICENSING TOWING COMPANIES, ETCETERA. COULD WE HAVE A BRIEF REPLY ON HOW WE CAN GET SOME OF THE INFORMATION?

Futrell: EACH TIME MR. JOHNSON SPEAKS, WE HAVE -- JUST ABOUT. IT'S BEEN A NUMBER OF TIMES. WE HAVE GIVEN YOU MEMOS THAT SPEAK TO EACH OF THE ISSUES THAT HE RAISES. AND ONE OF THE THINGS I'LL DO IS ASK JASON FROM MY OFFICE TO COLLECT ALL THOSE RESPONSES AND BE SURE THAT MR. JOHNSON HAS THOSE RESPONSES. THEN, RUDY, IF YOU WOULD SPEAK TO THE LEGALITY ISSUES. AND DAVID, WHATEVER YOU THINK YOU CAN HELP WITH THE TOWING LEGALITY ISSUES UNDER THE HIGHWAY. AND THEN DAVID, ANYTHING YOU CAN ADD MAYBE.

YEAH, CITY MANAGER. I WOULD ASK AFTER THE CHIEF SPEAKS WITH COUNCIL THAT DAVID DOUGLAS FROM MY OFFICE ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THE CITY'S WRECKER ORDINANCE.

Futrell: OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU.

Futrell: IF Y'ALL WILL STEP UP, LET'S GO AHEAD AND DO IT HERE. THANKS.

ONCE AGAIN, RUDY LINDEROS. ONCE AGAIN, THIS ORDINANCE -- AND AS WE'VE SENT SEVERAL MEMORANDUMS -- IS SPECIFICALLY A BUSINESS ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN A COMPANY AND A TOWING COMPANY IN REGARDS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY OR ISSUES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. ONCE AGAIN, WHAT WE HAVE DONE

IS WE HAVE OPTED TO PRIORITIZE ISSUES WITH TOWING COMPANIES THAT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS SAFETY ISSUES ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC STREETS. THERE'S OVER, WHAT, 600 LAWS IN THE TRANSPORTATION CODE THAT ADDRESSES THE ISSUE THAT MR. JOHNSON IS -- BRINGS UP TO COUNCIL. THERE'S OVER 500 LAWS WITHIN THE TRANSPORTATION CODE. WE HAVE OPTED ONCE AGAIN TO FOCUS IN ON PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES THAT OCCUR ON PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS.

Futrell: RUDY, SPEAK TO THE ACCUSATION COMES UP REPEATEDLY THAT CARS ARE BEING ILLEGALLY TOWED FROM UNDER THE HIGHWAY. SPEAK TO THAT SPECIFICALLY.

WHERE'S DAVID DOUGLAS? ONCE AGAIN, THAT WAS AN ARRANGEMENT THAT WAS MADE BETWEEN THE CITY AND THIS TOW COMPANY.

DAVID DOUGLAS WITH THE LAW DEPARTMENT. EXCUSE ME. THE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND A PARKING COMPANY FOR PARKING UNDER THE INTERSTATE THERE IS BEING HANDLED I THINK BY PUBLIC WORKS. AND THEY HAVE A CONTRACT MANAGER THAT SHOULD GO OUT AND LOOK AND MAKE SURE THAT THE SIGNAGE IS AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW. THERE ARE SOME REQUIREMENTS THAT STATE LAW SETS OUT. YOU SEE THE SIGNS IN PRIVATE BUSINESSES. THEY'RE PRETTY STANDARDIZED. AND WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT THOSE ARE RIGHT. I'M NOT PERSONALLY BEEN INVOLVED IN THAT CONTRACT --

Futrell: ONE THING I WILL ASK SO WE DON'T HAVE TO REVISIT THIS WEEK AFTER WEEK AFTER WEEK, DAVID, I WILL PERSONALLY ASK THAT YOU WORK WITH PUBLIC WORKS TO REVIEW THE ORDINANCE, THE CONTRACT, THE COMPLIANCE UNDER THE HIGHWAY AND WE WILL PUT IT IN WRITING BACK TO COUNCIL AND WE WILL COPY MR. JOHNSON SO HE KNOWS EXACTLY WHAT THE STATE OF AFFAIRS ARE THERE. ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING ELSE, DAVID? WHAT ABOUT INSURANCE? CAN YOU SPEAK TO A CONTRACTOR FOR A TOWING COMPANY THAT DOESN'T HAVE OR DOES HAVE INSURANCE?

THERE IS A REQUIREMENT IN MOST CITY CONTRACTS. THE

ONE CONTRACT THAT I'M FAMILIAR WITH IS NOT WITH THAT COMPANY THAT INVOLVES THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. IT I KNOW CONTAINS A REQUIREMENT THAT WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE BE PROVIDED FOR ALL THE EMPLOYEES. I'LL JUST HAVE TO FOLLOW UP AND LOOK AT THAT PARTICULAR CONTRACT INVOLVING THAT LOT, WHICH IS NOT SOMETHING THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OR I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN, AND FIND OUT WHAT THE REQUIREMENT IS FOR WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE. STATE LAW DOESN'T REQUIRE IT. IT MAY BE A CONTRACT REQUIREMENT. OUR CITY ORDINANCE DOESN'T REQUIRE IT EITHER. I'LL FOLLOW UP ON THAT.

Futrell: SPECIFICALLY WHEN YOU FOLLOW UP ON THAT, DAVID, TAKE A LOOK AT REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBCONTRACTORS, OKAY, BOTH CONTRACTOR AND SUBCONTRACTOR FOR WORKER'S COMP. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

THANK Y'ALL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON AND CITY MANAGER. MR. WILL ROBERTSON CALLED IN AND SAID HE COULDN'T MAKE CITIZEN COMMUNICATION, SO HIS SPOT IS CANCELLED. JOHNETTE MASON? AGAIN, EARLIER WE HAD CALLED CHRIS BEVILL. OR JOHN WEISS. JOHN, WELCOME, SIR. YOU WANT TO ADDRESS US? YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

HELLO. MY NAME IS JOHN WEISS. I'M A TECHNICAL WRITER AND A MEMBER OF THE AUSTIN HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND I WANTED TO SPEAK TODAY QUICKLY ABOUT THE EFFORTS TO BUILD A PUBLIC SKATE PARK. THE CITY OF AUSTIN, I WAS READING IN THE LAST MONTH'S -- 16TH OF LAST MONTH'S AUSTIN CHRONICLE ABOUT THE EFFORTS TO BUILD A STATE PARK -- SKATE PARK, AND READ THAT THERE HAD BEEN A GOOD DEAL OF OBSTACLES AND DIFFICULTY CREATING THE FACILITY. AND I KNOW THAT THERE'S A GREAT DEAL OF SUPPORT IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD AND I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S NOT MIRED IN A LOT OF OBSTACLES THAT WE SEEM

TO BE FACING. I KNOW THAT THE CITY HAS PLANS TO BUILD THE SKATE PARK AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WAS DONE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. CONSTRUCTION WOULD TAKE FIVE TO 10... 10 YEARS WOULD NOT SUIT THE NEEDS THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO MEET. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT -- LET THE CITY KNOW THAT THERE IS A LOT OF SUPPORT FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND ESPECIALLY THE HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD, WHICH I'M A MEMBER. THANKS VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. WEISS. I WILL TELL YOU THAT THE CITY MANAGER HAS, YOU KNOW, REDOUBLED HER EFFORTS TO TAKE SOME FUNDS THAT THE CITY HAD SET ASIDE TWO YEARS AGO TO MAKE OUR FIRST SKATE PARK COME TO FRUITION SOONER RATHER THAN LATER AND ACTUALLY TECHNICALLY EARLIER TODAY, THIS MORNING, WE ALSO AUTHORIZED THE CITY MANAGER TO BEGIN NEGOTIATING AND EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AISD AND/OR A.C.C. IN A PROPERTY NEAR HOUSE PARK THAT THERE'S DISCUSSIONS WITH THE POSSIBILITY THAT THERE COULD BE A SKATE PARK COMPONENT THERE AS WELL. SO THERE ARE SOME REAL EFFORTS ONGOING TO TRY TO DELIVER A SKATE PARK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE HAVE SEEN THE EVIDENCE ACROSS THE COUNTRY OF HOW REMARKABLY UTILIZED IN GROUND CONCRETE SKATE PARKS ARE. PERHAPS ARGUABLY THE MOST USED PARK FACILITY IN MANY CITIES, MOSTLY IN THE WESTERN U.S. AND SO WE'RE EXCITED AND VERY MUCH WANT TO HAVE THAT PRODUCT HERE IN AUSTIN. MY SPITION IS ONCE -- SUSPICION IS ONCE WE DELIVER THE FIRST CONCRETE SKATE PARK THERE'S GOING TO BE REMARKABLE DEMAND FOR A SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH AND WE'LL OF COURSE WORK THROUGH OUR FUNDING EFFORTS WITH THE PARK DEVELOPMENT DOLLARS TO SEE IF WE CAN DELIVER REALLY ALL OF THE PRODUCTS THAT OUR CITIZENS DEMAND.

EXCELLENT. GOOD TO KNOW. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: ONE LAST TIME, MR. CHRIS BEVILL HAD SIGNED UP FOR CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. OKAY. THANK YOU. COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL OF THE CITIZENS WHO HAVE SIGNED

UP FOR OUR CITIZEN COMMUNICATION, BUT WITHOUT OBJECTION, I THINK WE HAVE ANOTHER SPECIAL CITIZEN HERE THAT WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED. SO IF PERHAPS THE MAYOR PRO TEM COULD TAKE THE GAVEL, I'M GOING TO WALK OVER TO THE PODIUM TO READ A PROCLAMATION. COUNCIL, JENNIFER McVEIL, WHO WE ALL KNOW, HAS JUST JOINED US IN THE ROOM, ALONG WITH HER MOM, WHO HAS RECENTLY MOVED BACK TO AUSTIN. AND SO WE HAVE A SPECIAL PROCLAMATION THAT REALLY COULDN'T WAIT UNTIL 5:30. I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO READ IT. THE PROCLAMATION READS, BE IT KNOWN WHEREAS AS AN ADAPTIVE VIFT FOR 15 YEARS, JENNIFER MCPHALE IS TO BE COMMENDED FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE PASSAGE OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND WHEREAS NO ONE HAS -- WHO HAS SEEN JENNIFER TESTIFY CAN FORGET HER BREATHLESS PASSION AS SHE EX-TOLLS THE REASONS WHY PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES MUST BE TREATED AS EQUAL CITIZENS AND WHEREAS I JOIN ALL OF MY COUNCILMEMBERS WITH THE CITY MANAGER, ENTIRE CITY STAFF AND THE CITY INFRASTRUCTURE IN WISHING BEST WISHES AND CONGRATULATIONS TO JENNIFER TODAY ON HER BIRTHDAY, SO NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO HERE BY PROCLAIM TODAY, AUGUST 12TH, 2004, HER BIRTHDAY, AS JENNIFER MCPHALE DAY IN AUSTIN AND CALL ON ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING AND WISHING HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ONE OF OUR REMARKABLE CITIZENS. JENNIFER. [APPLAUSE]

OKAY. NOW WE'RE THERE. WELL, THANK YOU. YOU GUYS CAUGHT ME BY SURPRISE, BUT YOU KNOW, MY MOM LIKES THIS KIND OF STUFF, SO IT'S PRETTY COOL. BUT YOU HAVE HEARD OF ME FOR MY ACTIVISM. IF I DIDN'T HAVE SOMEBODY LOOKING OUT FOR ME, MAKING SURE THAT I KNEW THAT THE DISCRIMINATION THAT I FACE IN LIFE WAS WRONG, THEN I WOULDN'T BE HERE. AND DON'T THINK THAT JUST BECAUSE I HAVE A PROCLAMATION THAT I'M NOT GOING TO STILL BE PUSHING YOU GUYS AND PRODDING YOU AND INSISTING THAT YOU DO EVERYTHING THAT YOU SHOULD DO. THANKS. [APPLAUSE] >>..

Goodman: OKAY. STILL A COUPLE OF THINGS TO GO. YOU

MAY NOT KNOW IT, BUT JENNIFER IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST FANS OF THE LADY LONGHORNS THAT WE HAVE IN THIS TOWN. AND SO JODY CONRADT, I KNOW YOU'VE HEARD OF JODY CONRADT, SENT OVER A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR YOU. IT'S ROUND AND IT HAS AN AUTOGRAPH ON IT.

VERY AWESOME. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

OH, SURE THAT....., THAT RUINS MINE.

Futrell: JENNIFER, YOU SPEND SO MUCH TIME WITH US AT CITY HALL SO THA YOU NEEDED YOUR OWN KEY. SO I'M GOING TO PRESENT YOU A MINIATURE KEY TO THE CITY FOR YOU FOR ALL YOU DO. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: JENNIFER, SURELY ALL THESE GIFTS HAVE BROUGHT US A LITTLE PEACE. [LAUGHTER] AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I KNOW I SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ALL OF MY COUNCIL COLLEAGUES, CONGRATULATIONS, HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND THANKS FOR ALL YOU'RE DOING. [APPLAUSE]

Goodman: I FORGOT TO MENTION, MAYOR, THAT ANDREW IN MY OFFICE TREKKED OVER TO JODY'S TO GET THAT BALL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN. AND COUNCIL, THAT ENDS OUR GENERAL CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION. IF YOU REMEMBER, IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WE TOOK UP SOME LEGAL CONSULTATION REGARDING ITEM NUMBER 41. AT THIS TIME I'LL RECOGNIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY AND/OR HIS STAFF TO INTRODUCE THIS SETTLEMENT ITEM.

YEAH, MAYOR, I'LL ASK FRED HAWKINS FROM MY OFFICE TO BRIEF COUNCIL BRIEFLY ON THIS PROPOSED SETTLEMENT.

COUNCILMEMBERS, MAYOR, I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT TO TALK ABOUT A CASE CALLED CARMEN ALVA RA DOUGH VERSUS RODOLFO CASTRO. IT'S A CASE THAT INVOLVES AN AUTO ACCIDENT THAT OCCURRED NEXT TO CRAIG FAILS OFF OF PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD. IN THAT PARTICULAR ACCIDENT MS. ALVA RA DOUGH WAS INJURED BY A WATER UTILITY DUMP TRUCK. AND WE WENT TO A IMMEDIATE RATION ON THIS -- MEDIATION ON THIS

PARTICULAR CASE AND REACHED AN AGREEMENT OF \$100,000 TO SETTLE THIS DISPUTE. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ASKING COUNCIL TO DO HERE TODAY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, FRED. COUNCIL, I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM NUMBER 41. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT, ITEM NUMBER 41 AS PRESENTED. FURTHER COMMENT? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COUNCIL.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCIL, WITH THAT, WE HAVE NOW -- WE HAVE NO DISCUSSION ITEMS PRIOR TO OUR 2:00 O'CLOCK BRIEFINGS, OUR BOND SALES AND/OR BRIEFING. AND I BELIEVE WE NO LONGER HAVE ANY ISSUES TO TAKE UP IN CLOSED SESSION. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE WILL NOW RECESS THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AND LIKELY WILL RECONVENE AT 2:00 O'CLOCK FOR BOND SALES AND A BUDGET BRIEFING. THANK YOU.

TEST TEST TEST THIS IS A TEST
OF THE STAY WITH US CAPTIONING SYSTEM, 2:00 ON
AUGUST 12th. SERVICES..

Mayor Wynn: I WILL CALL BACK TO ORDER THE MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, THE FIRST ITEM FOR 2:00 TIME CERTAIN WILL BE BOND SALES, ITEM NO. 43, I WILL RECOMMEND MR. BILL NEWMAN.

GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M BILL NEWMAN WITH THE PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, SERVICE FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE CITY. CHRIS ALLEN IS GOING TO HAND OUT SOME BOOKS TO YOU. WE'RE GOING TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT \$132,475,000 REFUNDING TRANSACTION. THE CITY TREASURER AND MYSELF HAVE COME AROUND AND SPOKEN TO MANY OF YOU ABOUT THIS SWAP TRANSACTION, WE HAVE TALKED TO YOU ABOUT THE VARIOUS NUANCES OF

IT, IT'S ABOUT TO COME INTO PLAY. WE ARE SEEKING TODAY TO GIVE CONSENT TO MOVE FORWARD TO EXECUTE THE VARIABLE RATE PORTION OF THIS TRANSACTION. PART OF THE PLAYERS ON THIS -- ALL OF THE PLAYERS ARE HERE, INCLUDING JOHN BANE WITH FULBRIGHT AND JAR WORE SKI. JAWORSKI. IF I COULD ASK YOU TO TURN TO PAGE TWO, AGAIN THIS IS REFUNDING, REFUNDING ABOUT 126 MILLION OF THE CITY'S WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY SYSTEM BONDS. THE SAVINGS REPORTED TO THIS TRANSACTION ARE REALLY, REALLY SIGNIFICANT. AS YOU KNOW, YOUR THRESHOLD FOR SAVINGS OVER EXECUTING A TRANSACTION IS 4.25% P.V. IN THIS CASE YOU WERE ABLE TO ACHIEVE A 13.73 PRESENT VALUE SAVINGS AND THUS SAVING SOME \$17.3 MILLION IN -- IN CASH ON YOUR DEBT SERVICE. IF YOU LOOK OVER AT PAGE 4, YOU'LL SEE THAT THE -- THAT THE FIXED RATE PORTION OF THIS TRANSACTION THAT WE'VE ENTERED INTO CAME IN AT A YIELD OF ABOUT 365, WE WERE ABLE TO LOCK THIS IN SEVERAL WEEKS AGO AND BEAT THE UPS AND DOWNS, IF YOU WOULD, MORE SO THE UPS OF THE MARKET THAT WE HAVE SEEN IN RECENT WEEKS. LASTLY ON PAGE 5, I MENTIONED EARLIER SAVINGS IS 17.3 MILLION. GROSS SAVINGS ON THIS TRANSACTION IS WELL OVER 21 MILLION. SAVINGS ALONE IN '05 IS OVER \$3 MILLION. AND ON 8, 9, 10, 11, 3 MILLION, ALMOST 5 MILLION, FOUR AND FOUR RESPECTIVELY. IF YOU LOOK AT THIS, COUPLE THAT WITH THE ACTION COUNCIL HAS TAKEN ON DEFEASING THOSE BONDS FROM THE RESERVE FUND, THAT WAS A TOTAL OF \$54 MILLION IN SAVINGS AS WELL, WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS HELPING YOU MANAGE RATES FOR THE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM. WITH THAT SAID, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'M HAPPY TO TRY TO ANSWER THEM.

Mayor Wynn: COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, COUNCIL? I WOULD LIKE TO SAY ONCE AGAIN THIS IS GREAT WORK, IDENTIFYING THIS LARGE OF PRESENT VALUE SAVINGS IN OUR REFUNDS. APPRECIATE THE HARD WORK.

THANK YOU, SIR, WE APPRECIATE IT. CONGRATULATIONS ON A GREAT TRANSACTION.

Mayor Wynn: HEARING NO COMMENTS, I WILL ENTERTAIN A

MOTION ON ITEM NO. 43.

MOVE.

MOTION MADE BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO APPROVE ITEM 43. -- THIS ISSUANCE AS POSTED. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ OFF THE DAIS.

THANK YOU, AGAIN, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WE APPRECIATE IT. CONGRATULATIONS.

THANK YOU. COUNCIL, I'LL NOW TAKE US TO OUR 2:00 BRIEFING, WHICH IS A PRESENTATION OF THE MANAGER'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 BUDGET. TODAY WE HAVE OUR COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WHICH INCLUDES THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT , LIBRARY, PARKS AND REC, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND COMMUNITY CARE. I THINK WE ARE ALSO SET TO HEAR A BRIEFING ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT. I WOULD INTRODUCE AND WELCOME ACTING ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER MIKE McDONALD.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. WE ARE PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU TODAY THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR OUR FY '05. THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BUDGET IS LOCATED IN VOLUME 1. THE PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES IS 73.2 MILLION. THIS REPRESENTS A \$2 MILLION INCREASE OVER FY '04. SOME OF THE CHANGES ARE 4.7% INCREASE FOR PARKS, A 3.5% INCREASE FOR LIBRARY, .6% INCREASE FOR HEALTH, WITH HOUSING REMAINING RELATIVELY THE SAME. WHEN WE EXAMINE THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET, HOW THE DOLLARS ARE ACTUALLY SPENT, THE \$73 MILLION FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES REPRESENTS 16% OF THE GENERAL FUND. AS YOU CAN SEE, FROM THIS GRAPH, THE -- I MEAN FROM THIS PIE CHART, THE MAJORITY OF THE FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED TO -- THE MAJORITY OF THE

GENERAL FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY. LET ME CATCH UP HERE.

WE SEEM TO BE HAVING TECHNICAL ACTIVITY TEE WITH MOVING THE SLIDES. THERE YOU GO.

-- DIFFICULTY WITH MOVING THE SLIDES.

THERE YOU GO. THIS NEXT SLIDE DEPICTS YOUR FIVE YEAR GENERAL FUND IN OUR COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENTS. THE REASON FOR THE REDUCTION IN FY '05 IS BECAUSE THE COMMUNITY CARE DEPARTMENT FUNDING WILL NOW BE TRANSFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. IN F.Y. '04 THE GENERAL FUND INVESTMENT IN THE COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WAS APPROXIMATELY 37 MILLION. 6.8 MILLION OF WHICH WAS FUNDED BY HOSPITAL LEASE REVENUES. THERE'S A TOTAL OF 288,000 OF ONE-TIME CRITICAL CAPITAL COSTS IN THIS PROPOSED BUDGET. 13,000 OF WHICH IS FOR HEALTH FOR MEDICAL AND LAB EQUIPMENT, 80,000 FOR PARKS, FOR EQUIPMENT FOR THE ARCH AND DOWNTOWN PARK POLICE ENFORCEMENT, AND \$195,000 FOR LIBRARIES, WHICH WILL PURCHASE A VENDOR CARD SYSTEM, CURRENCY EXCHANGERS AND COMPUTER HARDWARE. AND OVER THE -- AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED F.T.E. REDUCTIONS IN THIS BUDGET, WE PROPOSE TO ELIMINATE 12.5 POSITIONS, TOTALING 1.7 MILLION. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT WE HAVE IDENTIFIED PLACEMENTS FOR EACH OF THE EMPLOYEES AFFECTED BY THESE REDUCTIONS. AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED BUDGETED F.T.E.'S, THERE ARE 900 COMMUNITY SERVICES, GENERAL FUND F.T.E.'S PROPOSED IN THIS BUDGET. OVERALL, THIS REPRESENTS A -- THIS -- THIS REPRESENTS A REDUCTION OF 4.5 POSITIONS. COUNCIL, I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES ITEMS THAT ARE IN THIS PROPOSED BUDGET THAT YOU WILL HEAR TODAY. FIRST OF ALL, AS A PRIORITIZATION OF PROGRAM USE OF HOUSING FUNDS. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN PASSED LAST MONTH. THE IDEA IS TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS AS OPPOSED TO BRICK AND MORTAR PROJECTS. NO FURTHER REDUCTION TO LIBRARY SERVICE HOURS. AS YOU KNOW, MOST OF OUR LOCATIONS ARE CURRENTLY CLOSED TWICE A WEEK. AN INCREASE OF 300,000 TO THE LIBRARY

BOOK BUDGET. THIS IS ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE LIBRARY BOOK BUDGET OVER LAST YEAR'S FUNDING. FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, WE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO MAKE REDUCTIONS TO THIS PORTION OF THE BUDGET. WE ARE PLEASED TO INCREASE THE FUNDING IN THIS AREA. SERVICE LEVELS CONTINUE TO BE ENHANCED IN OUR PARKS. THE DEMAND FOR PROGRAMS AND ESPECIAL EVENTS CONTINUE TO INCREASE. OUR PARK ACRES RANK AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE COUNTRY. HOWEVER, OUR EMPLOYEES DELIVER THIS SERVICE WITH ONE OF THE LOWEST STAFFING RATES. THE OPENING OF THE CARVER MUSEUM AND LIBRARY, WE ARE PLEASED TO BE OPENING THE 3,000 -- THE 30,000 SQUARE FOOT CARVER MUSEUM AND LIBRARY THIS OCTOBER. MAINTAIN CURRENT LEVELS OF FUNDING TO SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS. THE SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS WILL CONTINUE AT THE SAME FUNDING LEVEL AS FY '04. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. OUR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO DO A STELLAR JOB OF ENSURING THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO ADDRESS HOMELAND SECURITY, HEALTH ISSUES. WHEN CITIZENS RANKED CITY SERVICES, ONE THROUGH 10 IN THE CITIZEN SURVEY, COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENTS RANKED 6th THROUGH 9. AS IS COMMON, THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS REMAIN THE HIGHEST PRIORITY AMONG CITIZENS IN AUSTIN. ALTHOUGH THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENTS ARE NOT RANKED AS HIGH AS PUBLIC SAFETY, YOU WILL SEE IN OUR PRESENTATION THAT THE SERVICES ARE IMPORTANT TO THE CITIZENS THAT UTILIZE THEM. COUNCIL, JUST A BRIEF OVERVIEW -- A BRIEF OUTLINE OF HOW THE PRESENTATIONS WILL BE DELIVERED TO YOU TODAY. WE'LL FIRST START OUT WITH CITIZEN SURVEY RESULTS. WE WILL THEN MOVE TO BUDGET FACTS, THEN BUDGET FACTS, BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS WHICH WILL CONSIST OF KEY ADDITIONS AND ENHANCEMENTS, PERFORMANCE, OPERATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS, GOALS, AND THEN BENCHMARKS. THE ORDER OF PRESENTATION WILL BE THE LIBRARY -- THE FIRST DEPARTMENT WILL BE LIBRARY SERVICES FOLLOWED BY HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, PARKS AND RECREATION AND ENDING WITH A BRIEFING BY COMMUNITY CARE. THE FIRST DEPARTMENT

THAT WE WILL BE PRESENTING WILL BE LIBRARY SERVICES. I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN WITH A REVIEW OF THE SYSTEMS SURVEY OF LIBRARY SERVICES. WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS IN OUR LINE..... LIBRARIES, THE PRIORITY RANKING WAS 78%, CITIZEN SATISFACTION RATING WAS 80%. THE OVERALL RANKING OR RATING FOR LIBRARY SERVICES WAS 72% IN TERMS OF PRIORITY, THE SATISFACTION LEVEL WAS -- I MEAN 86%. YOUTH PROGRAMS, PRIORITY RANKING WAS 54%, SATISFACTION RATING 90%. THE AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC INTERNET COMPUTERS IN OUR LIBRARIES, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 54%, SATISFACTION RATING 87%. ALTHOUGH THERE WAS A DECREASE OF 1% IN EACH OF THESE AREAS, THE SATISFACTION RATING REMAINS HIGH. I THINK THIS SPEAKS VOLUMES ABOUT OUR LIBRARY STAFF, FOR THE SATISFACTION RATINGS TO REMAIN HIGH AFTER CLOSING AN EXTRA DAY AND A REDUCTION OF STAFF IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, I THINK THEY'VE DONE A STELLAR JOB. I WOULD NOW LIKE TO TURN THE PRESENTATION OVER TO BRENDA BRANCH, THE DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES.

THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR WYNN AND COUNCILMEMBERS. WITH ME TODAY IS TOM MORERAN AND DANA McBEE, [INDISCERNIBLE] THE LIBRARY'S BUDGET CAN BE FOUND IN THE PERFORMANCE PLAN, PAGES 23 THROUGH 143 THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY DOCUMENTS PAGE 97 THROUGH 110. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE LIBRARIES BUDGET FACTS. THE LIBRARY'S PROPOSED REVENUE BUDGET IS 700,000. A 6% INCREASE OVER OUR '04 REVENUE. EXPENDITURE BUDGET IS 17.3 MILLION. A 4.7% INCREASE OVER '04. F.T.E.S, 280.85. THIS INCLUDES ONE NEW F.T.E. FOR THE TRAZANNA BRANCH LIBRARY SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN 2005. REDUCTIONS ABOUT 2.3 REDUCTION FROM '04 BUDGET. AND 2.0 F.T.E.S HAVE BEEN REDUCED. I.I SHOULD SAY THAT 1.75 OF THOSE ARE FILLED AND POSITIONS HAVE BEEN FOUND FOR THOSE POSITIONS, FOR THOSE PEOPLE. HIGHLIGHTS OF PROPOSED FEE INCREASES FOR THE LIBRARY ARE AS FOLLOWS: FEES FOR PHOTOCOPIES WILL INCREASE FROM 10 CENTS TO 20 CRENS 20 CENTS PER PAGE. FEES FOR BLACK AND WHITE PRINTOUTS FROM COMPUTER WORK STATIONS WILL INCREASE FROM 15 CENTS TO 20 CENTS PER PAGE. HIGHLIGHTS OF PROPOSED

NEW FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS: A FEE OF \$25 WILL NOW BE CHARGED WITH LIBRARY STAFF IS ASKED BY CUSTOMERS TO PROVIDE SUPERVISION AND/OR ADMINISTRATION OF NON-TRADITIONAL EXAMS THAT CUSTOMERS ASK US TO WATCH OVER THEM AS THEY ARE TAKING THEM IN THE LIBRARY. HANDLING FEE OF 5% PER ORDER WILL BE ADDED TO CUSTOMER ORDERS FOR MATERIALS AT THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER. TOTAL PROPOSED REVENUE IS 7 700,000. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE PIE CHART, FINES MAKE UP THE BIGGEST PERCENTAGE OF THE LIBRARY'S REVENUE AT 83%. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE \$17.3 MILLION OF EXPENDITURES. ACQUISITION AND CIRCULATION OF MATERIALS, 9.8 MILLION. PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, UP TO 18 YEARS OF AGE, 1.3 MILLION. REFERENCE AND INFORMATION SERVICES, \$900,000. AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER, \$578,000..... 78,000 CATALOGING SUPPORT, \$563,000 END. AND SUPPORT SERVICES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS \$4 MILLION. THIS PIE CHART SHOWS THE -- THAT THE MAJORITY OF LIBRARY EXPENDITURES IS FOR CIRCULATION RELATED ACTIVITIES. CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY ACQUISITION OF MATERIALS AND YOUTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. \$386 ARE AS FOLLOWED. REDUCED TRAINING BUDGET BY \$7,000. REDUCED YOUTH SERVICES LINE ITEMS BY \$13,000. REDUCE MATERIALS, PROCESSING AND SUPPLIES BY \$60,000. REDUCE VACANT FULL-TIME GRAPHICS DESIGNER POSITION BY 10 HOURS, \$9,000. ELIMINATE TWO FILLED POSITIONS, BOTH PLACED, FOR A SAVINGS OF \$85,000. MOVE THE PURCHASE OF 3 SELF CHECK MACHINES FOR THE LIBRARY TO THE CTM DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,000. AND DELAY PHONE REPLACEMENTS TO 2006 FOR A SAVINGS OF \$128,000. HERE ARE THE BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS. THE HISTORY CENTER WILL REMAIN CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY. BRANCHES WILL REMAIN CLOSED ON THURSDAYS OR FRIDAYS, ONE DAY A WEEK. WE CONTINUE TO PAIR BRANCHES IN AN AREA AND ALTERNATE CLOSINGS SO THAT CUSTOMERS HAVE ACCESS TO A LIBRARY IN THEIR AREA WHEN ANOTHER IS CLOSED WITHIN THEIR AREA. \$300,000 WAS ADDED TO THE MATERIALS BUDGET, RESTORING \$60,000 OF THE \$500,000 CUT IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. 59,000 WAS BUDGETED FOR ANNUALIZED FUNDING FOR STAFF, MATERIALS, MAINTENANCE AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

FOR THE CARVER BRANCH SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN OCTOBER OF 2004. \$44,000 IS BUDGETED FOR PARTIAL YEAR FUNDING FOR STAFF, MAINTENANCE, MATERIALS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE TERASAS BRANCH SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN APRIL OF 2005. 366,000 BUDGETED FOR TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS SYSTEM-WIDE, THAT INCLUDES CONTINUED REPLACEMENT OF AGED COMPUTER WORK STATIONS, CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR VEND-A-CARD PAY FOR PRINT SYSTEM, UPGRADES TO THE LIBRARY'S PUBLIC NETWORK IN ORDER TO INCREASE RELIABILITY AND QUALITY OF SERVICE. TO CONTINUE WITH BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS, CAPITAL ITEMS FOR THE '05 BUDGET INCLUDE THREE ADDITIONAL SELF CHECK MACHINES, ALTHOUGH FUNDING WAS MOVED TO THE CTM BUDGET. TWO UPDATED CURRENCY COIN CHANGE MACHINES, AND OUR C.I.P. PROJECTS INCLUDE 509,000 FOR LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE LITTLE WALNUT CREEK PARKING EXPANSION PROJECT. AND \$281,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT THE COMPRESSION CHILLER FOR THE CENTRAL LIBRARY AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER COMPLEX. WHEN YOU ANALYZE AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARIES' PERFORMANCE MEASURES, ONE THING THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION IS -- IS THE FACT THAT DESPITE BRANCHES BEING CLOSED ONE DAY PER WEEK, THE HISTORY CENTER BEING CLOSED TWO DAYS PER WEEK, AND LOSING 87 EMPLOYEES OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS, AVERAGE DAILY CIRCULATION AND AVERAGE DAILY VISITS CONTINUE TO INCREASE. THE FACT THAT THE QUALITY OF SERVICE REMAINS HIGH IS LARGELY DUE TO THE DEDICATION OF THE LIBRARY STAFF. AND TO THE -- TO THE 1,934 VOLUNTEERS WHO VERY GENEROUSLY GIVE OF THEIR TIME TO SUPPORT OUR LIBRARY STAFF. I'M PROUD TO SHARE A FEW OF OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS FROM THE CURRENT BUDGET YEAR. SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE SECOND YEAR OF THE MAYOR'S BOOK CLUB, KEEP AUSTIN READING PROGRAM, AND WE HAVE PLANNED AND IMPLEMENTED THE THIRD YEAR WITH THE SELECTION OF ALL OF THE PRETTY HORSES BY CORMAC MCCARTHY.

Mayor Wynn: GET BUSY READING, MS. CITY MANAGER.

Futrell: I'M THERE, AND I DIDN'T RENTS THE VIDEO.

SUCCESSFUL VEND-A-CARD IMPLEMENTATION LEADING TO IMPROVED REVENUE COLLECTIONS. OPENING OF THE DANIEL E. RUIZ BRANCH LIBRARY ON JANUARY 31st, 2004 TO MUCH ACCLAIM. THE BLUE BELLIES ARE IN AUSTIN, READINGS FROM THE TRAVIS COUNTY SLAVE NARRATIVES VIDEO WON THE TEXAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PROJECT OF THE YEAR. AND THE OPENING OF THE FOURTH NEW IMMIGRANT CENTER AT THE DANIEL E. RUIZ BRANCH LIBRARY. ALL FOUR OF OUR IMMIGRATION CENTERS ARE RECEIVING NATIONAL ATTENTION AND ACCLAIM. FOLLOWING ARE JUST A FEW OF THE GOALS WE HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH IN THE UPCOMING YEAR. OPEN A NEWLY EXPANDED CARVER BRANCH LIBRARY IN OCTOBER, 2004: AND THE NEWLY REMODELED TERRAZAS BRANCH LIBRARY IN APRIL OF 2005. CONTINUE TO IMPROVE AND INCREASE SERVICES AVAILABLE ELECTRONICALLY. INCREASE ACCESS TO ARCHIVAL MATERIAL AVAILABLE AT THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER. AND JUST FOR AN EXAMPLE, AS YOU KNOW ONE OF THE DAYS THAT WE WERE CLOSED, STAFF HAS REMAINED IN THE BUILDING TO PROCESS PREVIOUSLY UNAVAILABLE ARCHIVAL MATERIAL. AND IN '04 THEY WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE ACCESS BECAUSE OF THIS WORK TO THE RICHARD MOYA PAPERS AND THE VIGIL LARGER'S PHOTO COLLECTION. THEN SOME OF THEIR WORK WILL CONTINUE INTO THE NEXT YEAR ON THE TRACOR MCCALLUM PAPERS. THEN THE NEXT YEAR THEY WILL ALSO FOCUS ON THE WALTER TIPPS PAPERS, JUST TO MENTION A FEW. ALL OF THESE ARE VERY IMPORTANT RESEARCH DOCUMENTS HERETOFORE UNAVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS. 72% OF AUSTIN CITIZENS ARE REGISTERED BORROWERS MUCH THE LIBRARY SYSTEM. WHICH IS AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE NATION COMPARATIVELY. WHEN COMPARED TO OTHER TEXAS CITIES, WHO REPORT TO ICMA, THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF VISITS ALSO COMPARES FAVORABLY. A COMPARISON OF TOTAL VISITS PER CAPITA WITH MAJOR TEXAS CITIES, WHEN YOU TAKE POPULATION INTOING ACCOUNT, AUSTIN IS ACTUALLY AT THE VERY TOP OF THE LIST WITH 5.0 VISITS PER CAPITA, FOLLOWED BY FORT WORTH WITH 3.8 VISITS PER CAPITA, DALLAS 3.2 VISITS PER CAPITA, EL PASO 2.9, SAN ANTONIO 2.4 VISITS PER CAPITA AND HOUSTON 2.2 VISITS PER CAPITA. SO WE LOOK

PRETTY GOOD. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE ANY.

THANK YOU, MS. BRANCH. COMMENTS, QUESTIONS OF MS. BRANCH. COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER?

MS. BRANCH, I JUST WANTED TO NOTE WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT THE EMPLOYEES AND THE VOLUNTEERS KEEPING THE LIBRARY GOING, KEEPING THE -- KEEPING THE SERVICES GOING, THE SATISFACTION OF THE CITIZENS. I -- I WANT EMPLOYEES TO NOTE THAT THE COUNCIL REALIZES THAT. AND DEEPLY APPRECIATE IT. I WOULD NOTE YESTERDAY A REPORTER CALLED ME, QUESTIONING ME ABOUT -- ABOUT HOW COME WE HAVEN'T SEEN MORE -- MORE -- I DON'T KNOW THE WORD -- MORE PAIN OR MORE OBVIOUS CUTS OR -- MORE -- I'M TRYING TO THINK OF A BETTER WAY TO SAY IT. I DON'T WANT TO SAY MORE BLOOD. IMPACT FROM THE CUTS. [LAUGHTER] AND I TOLD HIM IT WAS BECAUSE IN VERY LARGE PARTED THE CITY EMPLOYEES DOUBLING UP ON JOBS THAT HAD BEEN ELIMINATED, BECAUSE THEY ARE REALLY COMMITTED TO WHAT THEY DO. I THINK THAT'S VERY EVIDENT AND THE LIBRARY HAD VERY TOUGH CUTS TO DEAL WITH.

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. APPRECIATE THAT.

Mayor Wynn: MOST OF THE BLOOD HAS BEEN UP HERE, ACTUALLY [LAUGHTER]

Slusher: THAT'S A GOOD POINT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. BRANCH. FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken?

McCracken: MS. BRANCH, I WANTED FIRST TO KNOW IF YOU COULD KIND OF RUN THROUGH FOR US WHAT WE HAVE LOST SINCE THE 2002 BUDGET. I KNOW THAT COMMUNITY UNDERSTANDS THAT THE BUDGET HAS BEEN CUT. BUT IF YOU COULD BRIEFLY TELL US IN TERMS OF REAL PROGRAMS THAT SERVED REAL FOLKS, WHAT WE HAVE LOST IN DOLLAR TERMS AND PROGRAM TERMS.

WE HAVE LOST 87 EMPLOYEES, AS I'VE SAID. WE LOST ORIGINALLY 500,000 FROM THE BOOK BUDGET, BUT TWO-THIRDS OF THAT HAS BEEN RESTORED. WE LOST HALF OF OUR, 50% OF OUR PERIODICALS BUDGET, 32% OF THE DATA BASES, IN ADDITION WE HAVE CLOSED -- AN ADDITIONAL DAY AT THE BRANCHES AND CLOSED AN ADDITIONAL -- TWO DAYS AT THE HISTORY CENTER, ONE OF WHICH IS A PROCESSING DATE.

McCracken: THAT'S BEEN SINCE EVERYTHING WENT SOUTH IN BUDGET TERMS IN SEPTEMBER 2001.

RIGHT.

McCracken: ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS THAT SERVE FOLKS THAT WERE EITHER SCALED BOX OR ELIMINATED?

REALLY, ALMOST EVERY PROGRAM HAS HAD A LOT OF STAFF, A LOSS OF LINE ITEM FUNDING. BUT THE PROBLEM PROBABLY SEES VERY LITTLE IMPACT BECAUSE OUR STAFF IS DOING SUCH AN AMAZING JOB OF PICKING UP THE SLACK. I SHOULD ALSO MAKE A COMMENT ABOUT HOW FORTUNATE WE ARE TO HAVE -- TO HAVE THREE VERY STRONG SUPPORT GROUPS WHO ARE -- WHO ARE WORKING CONSTANTLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO RAISE ADDITIONAL ENHANCEMENT FUNDS FOR US. THE FOUNDATION HAS RAISED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS TO SUPPLEMENT OUR PROGRAMMING. THE FRIENDS EVERY YEAR HAVE AN ANNUAL BOOK SALE. THEY HAVE RAISED ANYWHERE FROM 50 TO \$70,000, WHICH THEY GIVE DIRECTLY TO THE LIBRARY TO AUGMENT FUNDING. HISTORY CENTER ASSOCIATION DOES THE SAME. SO WE REALLY ARE APPRECIATIVE OF THAT. IT'S HELPED US A LOT.

COUNCILMEMBER, ANOTHER IMPORTANT POINT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT CLOSING THE EXTRA DAY OF THE LIBRARIES, A LOT MORE TAKES PLACE THAN JUST THE CLOSING OF THAT FACILITY. GENERALLY ONE EMPLOYEE REMAINS BEHIND, TYPICALLY, TO DO SOME OF THE STACKING, SOME OF THE STOCKING, SO THEY CAN PREPARE FOR THE DAYS THAT

THEY ARE OPEN. AND THEN SOME -- SOME THEN, THE REMAINDER OF EMPLOYEES GO TO ANOTHER LIBRARY IN THE BRANCH TO TRY TO SUPPORT THE VOLUME, THE VOLUME INCREASES THAT BRENDA TALKED ABOUT A MOMENT AGO. THAT CLOSING OF THE FACILITY ALSO ENTAILS SHARING OF PERSONNEL RESOURCES.

WE -- ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE LIBRARY SYSTEM HAS BECOME OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS HAS BECOME A PLACE WHERE -- WHERE KIDS WHO ARE LESS FORTUNATE DO THEIR HOME WORK AND WHERE THEY HAVE ACCESS TO COMPUTERS. CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THE -- ABOUT THE -- I KNOW THE -- MICHAEL AND SUSAN DELL FOUNDATION I BELIEVE FUND A LOT OF THIS. THE YOUTH CENTERS. CAN YOU TELL US WHAT THE CITY HAS LOST IN ITS ABILITY TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE DO BETTER IN SCHOOL, HAVING A PLACE TO GO AFTER SCHOOL AND HAVE ACCESS TO COMPUTERS.

YOU ARE REFERRING TO THE WIRED FOR YOUTH PROGRAM, WHICH BY THE WAY HAS RECEIVED NATIONAL ATTENTION AS WELL. IT'S A MODEL FOR EVERY LIBRARY IN THE COUNTRY. WE GET PHONE CALLS AND LETTERS EVERY DAY ASKING US FOR INFORMATION ABOUT IT SO PEOPLE CAN REPLICATE IT. THAT WAS ORIGINALLY FUNDED BY MICHAEL AND SUSAN DELL A GRANT FROM THEM. THEN THE CITY FUNDED THE STAFFING FOR THE PROGRAM. AND THE FOUNDATION HAS RAISED THE MONEY FOR THE COLLECTION. AND WE HAVE HAD SOME POSITION LOSSES IN THE WIRED FOR YOUTH PROGRAM. PLUS, OF COURSE, BEING CLOSED A DAY A WEEK, IN ADDITION TO SUNDAYS, THAT'S A DAY LESS THAT THOSE CENTERS ARE AVAILABLE TO THE -- TO THE YOUTH THAT NEED THEM.

McCracken: HAS THERE BEEN ANY REQUIREMENT OR NEED TO SCALE BACK ON -- ON PROJECTIONS OF WHAT WE COULD HAVE DONE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THIS COMMUNITY IN TERMS OF OFFERING COMPUTER ACCESS FOR THEM DOING THEIR HOME WORK AFTER SCHOOL? IF WE HAD TO CUT BACK ON THAT?

WELL, BECAUSE WE ARE CLOSED A DAY A WEEK. BUT OTHER

THAN THAT, WE ARE STILL OPERATING AS USUAL.

McCracken: OKAY. IF -- CAN YOU TELL US WHICH FIXED COSTS -- I KNOW THAT WE DID A REAL SHORT-TERM DEAL ABOUT WHAT FIXED COSTS ARE COMING ON LINE. CAN YOU TAKE US OUT A FEW MORE YEARS BEYOND THAT IN TERMS OF WHAT IS THE FISCAL IMPACT OF COSTS COMING ON LINE, COMING ON NO MATTER WHAT WE DO, IF ANY.

WELL, AS WE OPEN NEW BRANCHES, FOR EXAMPLE, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE OPERATING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THOSE. WE HAVE SEVERAL DEFERRED BRANCHES THAT ONCE THOSE MOVE FORWARD, WE WILL HAVE OPERATING COSTS TO -- THAT WILL BE REQUIRED TO OPEN THOSE BRANCHES. WE ARE LOOKING AT A NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY, HOPEFULLY WE WILL HAVE A DEDICATED PIECE OF PROPERTY FAIRLY SOON AND WE WILL BEGIN TO WORK TOWARD GETTING A NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY ON BOND BALLOT THE NEXT BOND BALLOT. AND THERE WILL BE -- THERE WILL BE SIGNIFICANT OPERATIONAL INCREASES FOR THAT. I SHOULD SAY THAT -- THAT WHEN YOU LOOK AT LIBRARY FUNDING, NO MATTER WHAT AREA YOU LOOK AT, AUSTIN TYPICALLY, THE AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TYPICALLY FALLS AROUND THE LOWEST QUARTILE, OUR BOOKS PER CAPITA, OUR MATERIALS PER CAPITA IS VERY LOW. SO THERE NEEDS TO BE A SIGNIFICANT INFUSION IN JUST OUR REGULAR OPERATING BUDGET IN ORDER TO GET THE AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY UP TO AN ADEQUATE LEVEL.

THE -- OUR LIBRARY FUNDING IS THE LOWEST QUARTILE OF WHAT?

DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU ARE ASKING, MATERIALS, BUDGET, FOR EXAMPLE. EVEN WITH THE 300,000 ADDED IN.

I'M SORRY, OF CITIES OUR SIZE OR NATIONALLY IN TEXAS?

I'M SORRY, YES, TYPICALLY WE BALCONES CANYONLANDS BENCHMARK OURSELVES BETWEEN LIBRARIES THAT ARE -- I HAVE COMPARATIVE STATISTICS THAT WILL SHOW YOU OUR EXPENSES PER CAPITA, OUR BOOK COLLECTION. STAFFING PER CAPITA WE ARE ONE OF, IF NOT THE LOWEST IN THE

COUNTRY FOR OUR POPULATION SIZE.

WE -- IF THE BUDGET WERE AGAIN TO BE RESTORE
UNDERSTAND COMING YEARS, CAN YOU TELL US WHAT YOU
ENVISION AS THE BUDGET PRIORITIES FOR THE LIBRARY
SYSTEM TO -- BUDGET CUTS SHOULD BE RESTORED OVER
TIME?

ABSOLUTELY. STAFFING AND BOOK MARKING WOULD BE
OUR TOP PRIORITY.

I GUESS THAT -- THAT LEADS TO THE NEXT QUESTION,
THOUGH, THAT IS WHAT ARE PEOPLE USING LIBRARIES FOR
THESE DAYS?

WE DO --

THAT MAY SEEM BASIC BUT --

ACTUALLY THAT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION MUCH WE HAVE
DONE LOTS OF DIFFERENT SURVEYS -- FOCUS GROUPS. THE
NUMBER ONE USE IS FOR LEISURE READING, COMING AND
GETTING MATERIALS, CHECKING THEM OUT TO TAKE THEM
HOME. THEY USE THEM FOR RESEARCH, INFORMATION
ASSISTANCE, THE YOUTH PROGRAMS ARE VERY POPULAR.
AND COMPUTERS.

UH-HUH. THERE WAS ONE THING THAT I SAW HERE IS A
PARKING EXPANSION PROJECT. CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT
THAT? WHY WE ARE DOING THAT, WHY YOU WOULD DO
THAT.

LITTLE WALNUT CREEK IS -- HAVE A -- HAS A PARKING
SITUATION THAT'S PRETTY DISMAL. THEY HAVE VERY FEW
PARKING PLACES, I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT NUMBER. BUT IF
YOU GO THERE, YOU WILL SEE AT ANY TIME OF THE DAY
THAT THERE IS NO PARKING. AND UNFORTUNATELY THERE'S
NO PARKING ON THE STREET. BECAUSE THERE'S -- IT'S A
BUSY STREET AND THERE IS NO AVAILABLE PARKING ON THE
STREET. SO IT'S QUITE A PROBLEM FOR THE CUSTOMERS
USING THAT LIBRARY AND I BELIEVE PROBABLY LIMITS THE
USAGE OF THE LIBRARY QUITE A BIT. FOR YEARS WE HAVE
BEEN TALKING ABOUT WANTING TO EXPAND THAT PARKING

AREA SO THAT WE CAN MAXIMIZE THE USAGE OF THAT FACILITY AND SO IT WOULD BE MORE CONVENIENT FOR THE CUSTOMERS. AND WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT THIS YEAR IT IS -- IT HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN OUR C.I.P. THE COMMUNITY, BY THE WAY, HAS BEEN VERY VOCAL ABOUT THAT BEING A TOP PRIORITY FOR THEM. I BELIEVE IT'S BEEN MENTIONED IN A LOT OF THEIR COMMUNITY MEETINGS, AS THEY HAVE BEEN DOING THEIR PLANNING.

McCracken: THAT -- I GUESS THAT BRINGS UP THE -- THE FINAL QUESTION THAT I HAVE, THOUGH, IS THAT -- HAVE WE LOOKED AT -- WHAT WE HAVE -- WE HAVE THE PROCESS OF A COUPLE OF THINGS. THE FIRST IS ABOUT WHERE WE LOCATE BRANCH LIBRARIES. FOR INSTANCE, IF WE WERE GOING TO LOCATE BRANCH LIBRARIES WHERE THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE IN WALKING DISTANCE, MAYBE CO-LOCATION WAS SCHOOLS, FOR INSTANCE, THINGS LIKE THAT, THAT MIGHT REDUCE THE COST INCURRED IN THE SYSTEM FOR THINGS LIKE PARKING LOTS, FOR LAND ACQUISITION, MIGHT SERVE A LOT MORE PEOPLE CLOSE TO WHERE THEY LIVE OR KIDS PARTICULARLY CAN WALK OR RIDE THEIR BICYCLE THERE. BUT THE SECOND PART OF THAT IS HAVE WE ALSO LOOKED AT WHAT OUR PRIORITIES SHOULD BE AS THE BUDGET -- SHOULD THE BUDGET COME BACK ONLINE? BECAUSE IT SOUNDS LIKE THE TOP PRIORITY IS STAFFING AND BOOKS, BUT THAT THE LIBRARY HAS BECOME USED FOR A LOT MORE PURPOSES THAN THAT. SO -- MAYBE THAT THERE COULD BE SOME RETHINKING ON HOW -- HOW WE LOCATE LIBRARIES TO SAVE MONEY, ALSO ABOUT WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE. CAN YOU SPEAK TO THAT?

WE ARE ACTUALLY, RIGHT NOW, WORKING ON OUR STRATEGIC PLAN. WE HAVE A FACILITIES MASTER PLAN AND WE HAVE GIVEN A LOT OF THOUGHT TO THAT. AND WE DO HAVE A LIST OF CRITERIA, BY THE WAY, THAT WE UTILIZE WHEN WE ARE TRYING TO PLACE A BRANCH LIBRARY, I WILL BE HAPPY TO SHARE THAT CRITERIA WITH YOU. WE ARE GIVING A LOT OF THOUGHT TO WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE. I'M SURE THAT WE WILL BE MAKING A PRESENTATION TO YOU IN THE FUTURE. RIGHT NOW OUR TOP PRIORITY IS A NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY. IT HAS TO BE IN ORDER FOR THIS SYSTEM TO HAVE THE CAPACITY THAT IT NEEDS. WITHOUT A NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY, WE ARE ABSOLUTELY STAGNANT.

WE CAN'T ADD ANY MORE BOOKS, WE CAN'T ADD ANY MORE COMPUTERS TO OUR SYSTEM BECAUSE WE ARE COMPLETELY OUT OF SPACE. SO A NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY WOULD ADD CAPACITY FOR THE WHOLE SYSTEM AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WOULD SUPPORT THE BRANCH LIBRARIES AS WELL.

COUNCILMEMBER, TO ONE OF YOUR OTHER QUESTIONS, WE ARE IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH SOME OF OUR OTHER PARTNERS HERE IN THE COMMUNITY SUCH AS AISD. FOR EXAMPLE, THE MAYOR AND I -- OF COURSE I SERVE, WITH THE CITY MANAGER, WITH THE MAYOR ON THE JOINT AISD COMMITTEE, THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WORK TOWARDS, I'M CONSTANTLY IN MEETINGS WITH THEM, TRYING TO DETERMINE EXACTLY WHERE THEY ARE GOING TO EXPAND BECAUSE YOU'RE RIGHT, WE ARE LOOKING AT MOVING INTO DIFFERENT AREAS. THE PROJECT, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT WE DID AT SAINT JOHN'S IS THE DIRECTION WE NEED TO GO. WE ARE CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN SOME OF THOSE DISCUSSIONS WITH REGARD TO [INDISCERNIBLE] PARK. THERE'S A REC CENTER THAT WILL BE COMING UP THERE SOON. WE ARE WORKING WITH AISD FOR THEM TO TRY TO JOINT -- TO ALSO LOCATE THERE SO WE CAN BENEFIT FROM JOINT USES.

McCracken: THAT'S GREAT. THAT IS GOING TO BE SO CRITICAL AS TO, YOU KNOW, THINK SMART AND FIND WAYS WE CAN SAVE COSTS ON THE THINGS THAT WE CAN CONTROL SO THAT WE CAN START REFUNDING SOME OF THESE PRIORITIES BECAUSE I THINK THAT OUR COMMUNITY REALLY IS GETTING HURT, PARTICULARLY YOUNG PEOPLE NOT BEING ABLE TO DO THEIR HOME WORK, THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE ENOUGH FAMILY INCOME TO AFFORD A COMPUTER. THIS IS CRITICAL FOR OUR SAFETY NET AND QUALITY OF LIFE.

THANK YOU.

McCracken: THANKS FOR DOING MORE WITH LESS.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS?

Dunkerly: IT'S VERY APPROPRIATE, I JUST GOT A NOTICE

FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY THAT THEY ARE HAVING A BOOK SALE THIS SATURDAY AT -- FROM 10:00 UNTIL 3:00 TO BENEFIT THE LIBRARY. ALL OF YOU WHO NEED A LITTLE BIT OF EXTRA SUMMER READING, GO BY AND HELP THESE GUYS THAT -- THAT DO A LOT WITH NOT VERY MUCH MONEY.

AND THEIR ANNUAL BOOK SALE, THEIR RESPONSE CENTER BOOK SALE, WHICH PROBABLY ALL OF YOU ARE USED TO, IS SEPTEMBER 21st? 11th? SEPTEMBER 11th THROUGH THE 13th AT THE BURGER CENTER. THAT'S THEIR MAJOR FUNDRAISER, THEY GIVE ALL OF THEIR RECEIPTS TO THE LIBRARY.

Dunkerly: I THINK THAT'S GREAT. ALL OF US CAN COME OUT AND SUPPORT THE FRIEND WHO ARE TRYING TO HELP OUR FRIENDS AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU ALL.

THANK YOU.

I THINK OUR NEXT DEPARTMENT IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEVELOPMENT. WE WILL WELCOME MR. PAUL HILGERS. NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WHEN REVIEWING THE CITIZEN SURVEY FOR NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WITH REGARDS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW TO MODERATE INCOME FAMILIES, THE PRIORITY WAS 61% -- 62%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 61%. LOW INTEREST HOUSING LOANS AND GRANTS FOR LOW TO MODERATE INCOME FAMILIES, THE PRIORITY WAS 56%. THE SATISFACTION RENTING WAS 72%. AN INTERESTING NOTE HERE IS THAT AN IMPORTANT FACT IS THAT THE SURVEY -- AN IMPORTANT FACT IN THIS SURVEY IS THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING WAS IMPORTANT TO RESPONDENTS THAT MADE LESS THAN 80,000. THE HIGHEST INCOME WE SERVE WITH OUR FEDERAL FUND IS 80% OF THE

PEEDIAN FAMILY INCOME -- MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, 56,900. THEREFORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WE FOUND, IS IMPORTANT TO THE PEOPLE THAT UTILIZE OUR SERVICES, I WOULD NOW LIKE TO TURN THE PRESENTATION OVER TO PAUL HILGERS, YOUR DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

THANK YOU, CHIEF McDONALD. I AM PAUL HILGERS, THE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. I HAVE MY STAFF HERE TO MAKE SURE THAT I STAY ON TRACK. THAT SUPPORTS ME AND SUPPORTS THE WORK THAT THIS OFFICE DOES VERY ABLY, I'M PROUD TO REPRESENT THEM HERE TODAY. THE BUDGET THAT I'M GOING TO SPEAK TO CAN BE FOUND IN THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON PAGE 165, THE DETAILS OF THAT BUDGET ARE IN VOLUME 2, PAGE 165. THIS PRESENTATION INCLUDES THE ALLOCATION TO THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF OUR HOUSING PROGRAMS, BUT DOESN'T FULLY INCORPORATE THAT BUDGET OR AUTHORIZE THAT BUDGET BECAUSE THAT BUDGET WILL ACTUALLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION IN SEPTEMBER FOR APPROVAL. SECONDLY, THE PROPOSED BUDGET REFLECTS THE INVESTMENTS THAT WERE APPROVED BY THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AFTER THE FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLANNING PROCESS WAS COMPLETE. THAT PLAN WAS PASSED ON JUNE THE 24th AND THE DETAILS OF HOW WE ARE INVESTING THOSE DOLLARS WILL BE FOUND IN THAT CONSOLIDATED PLAN, WHICH WAS -- WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED TO H.U.D. ON MONDAY ACTUALLY. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THIS PARTICULAR CHART HERE, GRANT FUNDS -- OUR FUNDING SOURCES, ABOUT 80% OF THE ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES ADMINISTERED THROUGH OUR DEPARTMENT, COME FROM GRANT SOURCES. OUR BUDGET REFLECTS A SLIGHT REDUCTION IN GENERAL FUND AND A REDUCTION IN GRANT -- FEDERAL GRANT ALLOCATIONS. BUT IT ALSO INCLUDES AN INCREASE FROM OUR PROPOSED DRAFT BUDGET IN THE HOUSING TRUST FUND OF \$200,000 THAT RESTORES IT BACK TO ITS MILLION DOLLAR LEVEL. WE HAD ORIGINALLY PROPOSED \$800,000, WE FOUND THAT ADDITIONAL \$200,000 TO PUT IN THIS BUDGET. WHICH REFLECTS THE COMMITMENT THAT THIS

COUNCIL HAS TO HOUSING. WE ARE ONE OF THE FEW CITIES IN THE NATION THAT PROVIDES THE LEVEL OF SUPPORT OF GENERAL FUND DOLLARS TO HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. OUR \$21.7 MILLION BUDGET COMES FROM \$1.1 MILLION IN GENERAL FUND, \$1.1 MILLION IN HOUSING TRUST FUND, \$17.6 MILLION WHEN YOU ADD UP ALL OF THE FEDERAL GRANTS AND PUT THEM TOGETHER, \$1.9 MILLION IN THE SMART HOUSING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM DOLLARS. NOT INCLUDED IN THESE FIGURES IS THE ANTICIPATED \$500,000 TRANSFER FROM AUSTIN ENERGY THAT WE WILL USE TO CONTINUE THE HOLLY MITIGATION HOME REPAIR PROGRAM. WE DO THIS WITH A TOTAL OF 68 F.T.E.S, NEXT YEAR, IN OUR PROPOSAL, WHICH INCLUDES ONE NEW F.T.E. WHICH WILL BE FUNDED THROUGH A GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE GRANT, WHICH IS AN ADDITIONAL CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATION WE RECEIVED TO SUPPORT OUR SMART HOUSING INITIATIVE. WE HAVE NO F.T.E. REDUCTIONS PROPOSED. A SUMMARY OF THE USES OF THESE FUNDS, IS THAT -- YOU WILL SEE THAT OVER TWO-THIRDS OF THE DOLLARS WILL BE USED TO CREATE OR RETAIN MORE THAN 3,200 AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS. ANOTHER 22% OR 4.9 MILLION IS USED FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. A LARGE PORTION OF THIS DOES INCLUDE THE DEBT SERVICE ACTIVITIES, DEBT SERVICE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC FACILITIES SUCH AS THE AUSTIN RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS, MILLENNIUM YOUTH ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, AND THE EFFORTS TO SUPPORT THE REVOLVING DISINFESTION THE 11th AND 12th STREET CORRIDORS. WHEN YOU ADD THAT TOGETHER, THAT WILL BE -- THAT WILL AMOUNT TO ABOUT \$2.6 MILLION. THE TOTAL -- THE REDUCTIONS, MINOR REDUCTIONS AND SMALL REDUCTIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND WERE ACHIEVED THIS YEAR FROM THE TRANSFER OF THIRD PARTY CONTRACT FUNDING RESULTING IN A SAVINGS OF \$105,000. SOME OF THE FACTS THAT WE WANTED TO SHARE WITH YOU. THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT HAS RECOGNIZED AUSTIN AS A -- RECOGNIZED AUSTIN AS A MODEL FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. THEY HAVE DONE THIS IN A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT WAYS. H.U.D. CAME HERE AND IDENTIFIED AUSTIN AND SPENT SOME TIME WITH

US, ACTUALLY THE ENTIRE CITY STAFF, SOME OF THE CITY STAFF ABOUT HOW WE DO PERFORMANCE MEASURES. AUSTIN WAS ONE OF FIVE CITIES CHOSEN FOR A PILOT STUDY TO TRY TO DEVELOP PRSMS MEASURE AND TRACKING SYSTEMS -- PERFORMANCE MEASURE AND TRACKING SYSTEM THAT HUDNELL.....H.U.D. WANTS TO DEVELOP FOR OTHER COMMUNITIES. WE RECEIVED THE JOHN SASSO AWARD FOR EXEMPT FLYING THE SPIRIT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, BOTH BY SHOWCASING ITS WORKS THROUGH OUR ACTIVITIES AND PROMOTIONS THROUGH OUR NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK, BUT ALSO THROUGH THE COMMITMENT TO SERVE HOUSEHOLDS AND NOT JUST PROVIDE SERVICES OF BRICKS AND MORTAR AND INFRASTRUCTURE AS OTHER COMMUNITIES DO. FINALLY, WE HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY THROUGH THE SMART HOUSING PROGRAM, SMART HOUSING INITIATIVE A MODEL FOR REDUCING THE REGULATORY BARRIERS TO HOUSING PRODUCTION. THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS FROM LAST YEAR, SOME OF THOSE WE WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT FOR YOU, ARE THAT WE ESTIMATE THAT WE WILL SERVE BY THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR 24,149 HOUSEHOLDS. THAT'S AN INCREASE OF 25% OVER LAST YEAR. WE HAVE OPENED SEVERAL MAJOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, MOST OF WHICH YOU WERE THERE. SOME OF THESE RIBBON CUTTINGS, GARDEN TERRACE, OUR FIRST SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY FACILITY, AUSTIN RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS. TWO REALLY IMPORTANT ELDERLY HOUSING COMPLEXES THAT WE HAVE PARTICIPATED WITH, OAK SPRINGS AND LYONS GARDENS IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS. THE HOUSING PLISHTS THAT -- ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED, IT'S IMPORTANT TO MENTION THE NON-PRIVATE PARTNERS, THOSE PARTNERSHIPS AND ORGANIZATIONS MAKE THE SUCCESSES THAT WE'VE HAD POSSIBLE AS WELL. WE'VE ALSO JUST RECENTLY WE NOW HAVE BEEN THERE 10 DAYS, RELOCATED TO OUR OFFICES OVER ON 11th STREET, THE STREET IN JONES BUILDING. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THOSE OFFICES AND YOU WILL BE, TOO, WHEN YOU SEE THEM. SMART HOUSING INITIATIVE HAS RECEIVED THE PIONEER AWARD AND THE SAN ANTONIO -- AT SAN ANTONIO HOUSING SUMMIT. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE FACT THAT WE DID THE FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED

PLANNING PROCESS ONE YEAR EARLY TO TRY TO GET IT AS CLOSE TO THE CENSUS DATA AS POSSIBLE. FOR NEXT YEAR OUR KEY GOALS ARE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT WE SERVE AND THIS INCREASE WILL GO TO A 41,384 HOUSEHOLDS. AND WE WANT TO DO THIS THROUGH A VARIETY OF WAYS, BUT MAINLY IT IS THE INCREASED AVAILABILITY OF OUR INFORMATION REFERRAL DATA ON OUR WEB SYSTEM. WE HAVE A GREAT WEBSITE. AND IT IS USED VERY, VERY HEAVILY AND WE HAVE INCREASED THE INFORMATION AND REFERRAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE THROUGH THAT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAXIMIZE OUR INVESTMENTS OF PUBLIC DOLLARS THROUGH THE HOUSING CONTINUUM. AND SMART HOUSING. WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT IMPLEMENTING THE CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVE THAT CAME FROM THE NON-PROFIT HOUSING COMMUNITY -- HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND BEGINNING TO IMPLEMENT THAT PROGRAM. WE HAVE LOOKED TO ENHANCE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD BASED SERVICES COORDINATIONS IN SOME WAYS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BOTH NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING, WATERSHED PROTECTION DEPARTMENT AND ALSO OUR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. TO CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES OF FAIR HOUSING, GENTRIFICATION AND ACCESSIBILITY. AND THEN TO MAXIMIZE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING INVESTMENTS IN AREAS SUCH AS MONTOPOLIS, COLONY PARK AND THEN THE MUELLER SITE AS WELL ALSO CONTINUE TO BE INVOLVED IN NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS LIKE WEST CAMPUS AND INCREASING THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGH THOSE ACTIVITIES. THE BENCHMARK THAT WE CHOSE TO HIGHLIGHT IS IDENTIFIED THAT WE SUBMITTED TO ICMA IS HOW WE LEVERAGE OUR CAPITAL. THIS -- THIS CHART REFLECTS THAT -- THAT ABOUT \$48.2 MILLION OF WHICH WE HAVE LEVERAGED WITH ABOUT 5, A LITTLE OVER 5 MILLION DOLLAR OF OUR FUND. SO WE ARE TALKING ABOUT LEVERAGING OUR DOLLARS ON A RATIO OF ABOUT 7-1. WE FOUND OUT THAT SAN JOSE DID -- DID HUGE NUMBERS, THEY DID THAT BY ADDING THEIR BOND FINANCING, GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO THEIR DOLLARS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PURPOSES, THAT'S HOW THEY GET SO HIGH, SO I THINK THAT'S CHEATING [LAUGHTER] BUT WE -- WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE FACT

THAT WE DO A 71:00 RATIO. 7 TO 1 RATIO. COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS?

Thomas: MR. HILGERS, ON THE KEY GOALS SET, YOU HAD CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THE FAIR HOUSING AND GENTRIFICATION AND ACCESSIBILITY ISSUES.

YES, SIR.

Thomas: CAN YOU JUST BRIEFLY TELL ME WHAT ARE YOU DOING, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO IN THE FISCAL 2004-2005 THAT YOU WERE DOING IN '03 AND '04.

A COUPLE OF THINGS I THINK ARE IMPORTANT. PARTICULARLY LET ME TALK FIRST WITH FAIR HOUSING. ONE OF THOSE ISSUES IS THAT WE ARE INCREASING OUR PARTNERSHIP AGAIN INTERNALLY WITH THE CITY. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AND THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES HAS AN OFFICE NOW OF -- OF EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND FAIR HOUSING. THEY ARE WORKING MORE CLOSELY WITH US IN DEVELOPING A STRATEGY FOR US TO BE MORE PROACTIVE TO DEAL WITH THAT ISSUE. SECONDLY, WE ALSO ARE CONTINUING OUR FUNDING OF TENANTS RIGHTS ISSUES. WE HAVE A GREAT PARTNERSHIP WITH THE AUSTIN TENANTS COUNCIL. ACTUALLY, THE CITY OF AUSTIN HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT HAS THAT SAME -- HAS A SIMILAR PARTNERSHIP AND THEN THE THREE OF US HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH H.U.D. TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUES OF FAIR HOUSING. ON THE ISSUES OF -- OF ACCESSIBILITY, WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO WORK TO DO -- TO DO THE WORK THAT WAS LAID OUT FOR US IN -- IN THE STRATEGY OF THE VOLUNTEER COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT. WE CONTINUE TO REPORT TO THE MAYOR'S QUESTION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. TO PUT OUR PROGRAMS UP TO SPECIAL SCRUTINY FOR THAT COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE IMPROVED SERVICES, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVED SERVICES TO US, SO WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO DO THAT. WE -- WE ARE CONTINUING THE FUNDING OF OUR ARCHITECTURAL BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM, WORKING DILIGENTLY TO INCREASE OUR [INDISCERNIBLE] ON THAT PROGRAM. ON THE ISSUE OF GENTRIFICATION, IT'S REALLY A TOUGHER

ISSUE TO DEAL WITH, OTHER THAN TO JUST TRY TO CONTINUE TO KEEP IT ON THE FOREFRONT OF OUR -- OF OUR SENSITIVITIES OF WHAT WE ARE DOING. LOOKING AND MAKING SURE THAT -- THAT WHEN WE ARE CREATING HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES, THAT WE ARE DOING IT FOR THOSE AS CLOSE TO THE -- THE MEDIAN INCOME OF THAT COMMUNITY THAT'S POSSIBLE. THROUGH OUR SUBSIDIES OF BEING ABLE TO SUBSIDIZE HOMES IN THE INNER CITY SO THAT THE COST OF -- TO THE FAMILY MAY NOT BE AS HIGH AS THE PRICE. THEN CONTINUING TO LOOK AT OTHER MAJOR INITIATIVES THAT OTHER CITIES HAVE DONE TO SEE IF WE CAN FIND SOME CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF GENTRIFICATION WHICH -- WHICH ARE CERTAINLY AFFECTING THE FOLKS OF THE EAST AUSTIN PARTICULARLY.

Thomas: OKAY, THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? THANK YOU, MR. HILGERS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I THINK OUR NEXT DEPARTMENT WILL BE OUR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, I BELIEVE DAVID LOWRY WILL COME JOIN CHIEF McDONALD.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WHEN REVIEWING THE CITIZENS SURVEY FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WITH -- WITHIN THE AREA OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION PROGRAMS, THE PRIORITY RANKING WAS 67%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 89%. WITH REGARDS TO FOOD, SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 78%. THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 87%. PUBLIC HEALTH AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE, PRIORITY RATING WAS 70%. THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 88%. SOCIAL SERVICES FOR LOW INCOME CITIZENS, THE RATING WAS 62%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 81%. WITH REGARDS TO ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 69%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 78%. AND IN THE AREA OF SERVICES TO HIGH RISK YOUTH, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 62%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 83%. AS WE HAVE COMMENTED AND WE HAVE ALL DISCUSSED BEFORE, 9/11 RAISED PUBLIC AWARENESS

ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. WE ARE PLEASED THAT OUR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS A SATISFACTORY -- SATISFACTION RATING OF ALMOST 90% IN THE AREA OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RESPONSE. YOUR DIRECTOR AND STAFF CONTINUE TO WORK HARD AND DO A STELLAR JOB IN END SUGAR THAT THIS COMMUNITY IS PREPARED FOR HOMELAND SECURITY. SO AT THIS POINT I'LL TURN THE PRESENTATION OVER TO DAVID LURIE, YOUR DIRECTOR FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

THANK YOU, CHIEF McDONALD. I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE MELANIE MILLER, BEHIND ME, ALSO JOHNNY DORSEY, BACK OVER HERE IN THE CORNER, THEY ARE CRITICAL STAFF FOR US IN TERMS OF OUR BUDGET DEVELOPMENT, IN TERMS OF OUR ACCOUNTING AND MANAGING OUR RESOURCES. IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AS YOU'LL SEE, WITH THIS PRESENTATION WE HAVE A LOT OF DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCES. AT TIMES IT BECOMES PRETTY COMPLEX IN TERMS OF MANAGING OF THESE VARIOUS GRANTS. MELANIE, JOHNNY AND THEIR STAFF DO A GREAT JOB OF MANAGING ALL OF THAT FOR US. THE FIRST SLIDE IS A FOCUS ON OUR WORKFORCE, OUR EMPLOYEES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. OUR WORKFORCE HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVELY ENGAGED ACTUALLY OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS IN TERMS OF OUR BUDGET DEVELOPMENT. SO MANY RECOMMENDATIONS HELPING US IDENTIFY RELATIVE PRIORITIES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT AND COMING UP WITH SOME -- SOME INNOVATIONS AS IT RELATES TO -- TO OUR BUDGET. WE KEEP THEM REGULARLY INFORMED THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. AND AGAIN WITH OUR DEPARTMENT AS YOU WILL HEAR WITH OTHERS, I THINK THERE'S A COMMON THEME HERE IN TERMS OF THE CITY WORKFORCE STEPPING UP AND DOING THE JOB DESPITE THE MAJOR CHALLENGES THAT WE'VE HAD OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS IN SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS, THAT'S CERTAINLY BEEN THE CASE IN THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. NEXT SLIDE REFERENCES THE BUDGET FACTS ASSOCIATED WITH HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. OUR PROPOSED BUDGET INCLUDES REVENUE OF 3.8 MILLION. THIS IS UP ALMOST 19% FROM 1.2 MILLION THE PREVIOUS YEARS. THE PREVIOUS YEARS, EXCUSE ME. OUR

OVERALL BUDGET EXPENDITURES IS 51.3 MILLION. WITH 442 F.T.E.S AND WE ARE ADDING THREE F.T.E.S IN A YOUTH BUILD GRANT THAT WE JUST RECENTLY RECEIVED THAT FOCUSES ON HIGH RISK YOUTH, PROVIDES THEM WITH TRAINING, FACILITATES THEIR GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL, AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS AND THAT'S IN PARTNERSHIP WITH -- WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

THIS INCLUDES SOME FEE INCREASES, ABOUT 250,000. THE LARGEST BEING THAT FOR OUR FOOD ESTABLISHMENT PERMITTING. OVER TIME WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET THAT FEE STRUCTURE CLOSER AND CLOSER TO THE ACTUAL COST OF PROVIDING SERVICES. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF NEW FEES IN THE AREA OF ANNUAL SERVICES. HISTORICALLY WE'VE NOT CHARGED AN ADOPTION FEE FOR SMALL ANIMALS AND THIS BUDGET INCLUDES A PROPOSAL TO DO THAT, TO CHARGE \$35. AND A FEE STRUCTURE FOR OUR ANIMAL EDUCATION CLASSES, AND THAT IN TOTAL WOULD GENERATE ABOUT \$8,500 IN NEW REVENUE. ALSO IN THIS BUDGET WE HAVE PROJECTED \$150,000 IN FEES ASSOCIATED WITH OUR NEW ORDINANCE, SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES, AND THAT WOULD BE USED TO OFFSET THE EXPENSES FOR THAT PROGRAM, THAT IS, EDUCATION, ENFORCEMENT AND ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH IT. AND WE HAVE REVENUE INCREASES DUE TO INNOVATIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF, SPECIFICALLY REINSPECTION FEES FOR ESTABLISHMENTS THAT ARE OUT OF COMPLIANCE, AND THEN JUST A GENERAL OVERALL GROWTH IN REVENUE ASSOCIATED WITH DEMAND. SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR THIS BUDGET INCLUDE GENERAL FUND OF 26.8 MILLION, REIMBURSEMENT FROM COUNTY. WE RECEIVED FOR OUR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND ANIMAL SERVICES. GRANT OF \$19 MILLION. WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF GRANTS, THE LARGEST IN THE AREA OF THE W.I.C. PROGRAM AND NUTRITION SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN. WE HAVE A LARGE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL GRANT RELATED TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS THAT THE CHIEF COMMENTED ON. AND WE HAVE A LARGE PRESENTATION GRANT, OUR STEPS TO A HEALTHIER U.S.

FEE CUSSING ON DIABETES, ASTHMA, AND NUTRITION. AND WE HAVE SOME EXPENSE REFNDZ FUNDS AND ALSO FROM THE STATE ABILITY FUND WHICH IS USED PRIMARILY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES. THE NEXT CHART IS A PIE CHART, AGAIN REFLECTING THE SOURCES OF FUNDING. AND THE TWO PRIMARY SOURCES, OF COURSE, ARE GENERAL FUND, REPRESENTING THE 53% IN GRANTS, REPRESENTING ABOUT 37% OF YOUR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET. IN TERMS OF EXPENDITURES, THE LARGEST EXPENDITURE AREAS INCLUDE SOCIAL SERVICES, AND THESE INCLUDE WORKFORCE SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS, CHILD CARE, BASIC NEEDS, MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES. IN ADDITION, A LARGE CATEGORY IS THE PUBLIC HEALTH AREA, COMMUNE CABL DISEASES, COMMUNITY HEALTH. OUR ROLE IN PUBLIC HEALTH IS TO PROMOTE WELLNESS COMMUNITY-WIDE, PREVENT DISEASE AND PROTECT THE COMMUNITY FROM ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS, POTENTIAL EPIDEMICS, SO THE THE PREVENTION FOCUS OF PUBLIC HEALTH WHICH IS DISTINCT FROM THE TREATMENT, HEALTH CARE TREATMENT SERVICES. THESE ARE COMMUNITY-WIDE FOCUS SERVICES. PROPOSED REDUCTIONS, A TOTAL OF SEVEN F.T.E.'S, TWO OF THOSE ARE VACANT, FIVE ARE FILLED. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED PLACEMENTS FOR ALL OF THE FILLED POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT. THESE INCLUDE AN ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION IN INFORMATION AND SERVICES, OUR HELP DESK, OUR SUPPORT FUNCTION, AN I.T. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT IN ACCOUNTING THAT PROCESSES INVOICES, A SUPERVISOR IN THE WAREHOUSE AND DISTRIBUTION AREA, WE WILL BE REALLOCATING THE MANAGEMENT FOR THESE FUNCTIONS TO VARIOUS SUPERVISORS IN THE DEPARTMENT. A RESCUE FOSTER COORDINATOR. THAT IS A VACANT POSITION. WE HAVE THREE F.T.E.'S. THIS WOULD REDUCE THAT TO TWO. OVERALL ASSESSMENT IN TERMS OF THE WORK LOAD IS THAT WE CAN SUSTAIN THE CURRENT SERVICE LEVEL WITH THE REMAINING TWO F.T.E.'S. A MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER. IT SAYS IN PUBLIC HEALTH. THIS PERSON IS ASSIGNED TO ZAVALA SCHOOL, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. AND IN THIS INSTANCE THERE IS A SOCIAL WORKER IN THE COMMUNITY AND SCHOOLS PROGRAM ALSO AT THAT SCHOOL, AND AT TWO NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS RELATIVELY CLOSE, AN EAST AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD

CENTER AND A ROSEWOOD ZARAGOZA NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER. SO WE BELIEVE THAT WE CAN ABSORB THIS REDUCTION AND STILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES BY COORDINATING THOSE REFERRALS FROM THE SCHOOL AND ALSO WITH STAFF, WHICH CONTINUE TO BE BASED AT THE SCHOOL. (INDISCERNIBLE) IN VITAL RECORDS, THAT WILL DIMINISH OUR ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT A DATA CONVERSION EFFORT THAT WE HAD PLANNED. AND I THINK THE THEME YOU'LL SEE HERE REPEATED, EVEN GOING BACK TO WHAT WE'VE SEEN THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS, IS TRYING TO LOOK FIRST AT OUR SUPPORT FUNCTIONS, OUR INDIRECT KIND OF COST AREAS FOR POTENTIAL REDUCTIONS, AND FOR DIRECT SERVICES TO BE SORT OF OUR LAST CASES, WORST CASE SCENARIO IF YOU WILL IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT BUDGET, BUDGET CUTS. BUT OBVIOUSLY WE'RE VERY, VERY STRETCHED IN TERMS OF A LOT OF THESE SUPPORT FUNCTIONS. AND IN SOCIAL SERVICES, WE HAVE SOME SAVINGS IN THE BUDGET. THIS IS ASSOCIATED WITH ONE AGENCY THAT DISCONTINUED THE AMOUNT OF BUSINESS ABOUT A YEAR AGO, THE CENTRAL EAST AUSTIN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION. WE HAD FUNDED THAT AT A LEVEL OF ABOUT \$65,000 PER YEAR, AND THAT WAS FOR BASIC NEEDS AND SOME YOUTH SERVICES. AND THE REMAINING PORTION OF THAT 295,000 IN SAVINGS IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S SHELTER, WHERE WHEN WE FIRST DEVELOPED THE CONTRACT, WE HAD ANTICIPATED SOME INCREASE IN COST OVER TIME. AND HAVING GAINED EXPERIENCE WITH THAT CONTRACT AND THROUGH KIND OF SOME NEGOTIATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INFLATION FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT CONTRACT, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF COST FOR THAT CONTRACT WITH NO IMPACT ON SERVICES. AND I'LL EMPHASIZE HERE IN TERMS OF SOCIAL SERVICES, ALL THE OTHER SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES THAT YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH, THERE'S NO PROPOSED REDUCTION IN FUNDING FOR ALL OF THOSE AGENCIES. IN FACT, THIS BUDGET CONTINUES THE SUPPLEMENTAL BASIC NEEDS FUNDING THAT YOU APPROVED A FEW YEARS AGO. YOU ADDED ADDITIONAL \$500,000 TO HELP WITH BASIC NEEDS. THAT WAS REDUCED BY FIVE PERCENT LAST YEAR, SO IT WAS ABOUT 475, BUT THAT CONTINUES IN THIS BUDGET. AND ALSO IN TERMS OF SOCIAL SERVICES, THIS BUDGET

INCLUDES ABOUT A 400,000-DOLLAR INCREASE IN THE FUNDING FOR THE AUSTIN RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS BECAUSE WE HAVE ANALYZED THOSE COSTS AND NOW WE HAVE THE NEW FACILITY ONLINE. AND THEN THE REST OF THE SAVINGS ARE THROUGHOUT THE BUDGET IN TERMS OF SUPPLIES AND MAINTENANCE AND SERVICES AND SO FORTH. ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FISCAL YEAR '04, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF THESE. THE PASSAGE OF THE SMOKING ORDINANCE. WE APPRECIATE THE COUNCIL'S FOCUS ON THIS IMPORTANT PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE. A SUCCESSFUL PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIED PREPAREDNESS PLANNING, AS THE CHIEF MENTIONED, WE'VE BEEN DOING A LOT OF WORK IN TERMS OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, AND A MUCH STRONGER DISEASE SURVEIL SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM, WE HAVE A MUCH LONGER OVERALL SYSTEM FOR IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL INFECTIOUS COMMUNICABLE DISEASES, OTHER HAZARDS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND REACTING QUICKLY. AND THAT HAS REALLY IMPROVED OUR PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE, TIMELINESS OF OUR RESPONSE AND THE WAYS WE CAN CONTAIN POTENTIAL OUTBREAKS. WE MOVE TO OUR NEW CAMPUS AND DRAMATICALLY REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF LEASED SPACE THAT THE DEPARTMENT NOW HAS. WE'VE RENOVATED AND ARE UTILIZING THREE OF THE BUILDINGS OUT AT THE NEW HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS. STAFF IDENTIFIED AND DID A GOOD JOB, GREATLY IMPROVING THE CAT SHELTER AREA, RENOVATING THAT AREA AT OUR ANIMAL SHELTER. AND WITH THE TREMENDOUS SUPPORT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, WE HAVE OPENED OUR NEW RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS. AND AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, WE'VE BEEN VERY FORTUNATE TO RECEIVE THIS GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOCUSING ON PRESENTATION IN MANY OF OUR HIGHEST RISK AREAS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY, FOCUSING ON DIABETES, ASTHMA AND IN PARTICULAR NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. PARTNERING WITH A LOT OF FAITH-BASED, SCHOOL-BASED, CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. AND THEN FINALLY, WE'RE VERY PROUD THAT THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RECOGNIZED OUR OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS WITH A FIVE-STAR AWARD BASED ON THE

TIMELINESS AND ACCURACY OF OUR REGISTRATION OF BIRTH AND DEATH RECORDS. OUR GOALS AND PRIORITIES FOR '05 IS CONTINUING IN THESE MAJOR INITIATIVES ASSOCIATED WITH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, THE HEALTHY STEPS GRANT AND THE YOUTH BILL GRANT THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER. CONTINUING TO ENHANCE OUR DISEASE E-MAIL LENS CAPACITY. AND CONTINUING TO PARTNER WITH OUR SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES AND TRAVIS COUNTY TO IMPLEMENT WHAT WE'RE REFERRING TO AS OUR SOCIAL SERVICES INVESTMENT PLAN, WHICH IS LOOKING AT WAYS TO STRETCH OUR SOCIAL SERVICES' INVESTMENT, PROVIDE SUPPORT AND NEW MODELS FOR COLLABORATION, COORDINATION, INCREASED EFFICIENCY ASSOCIATED WITH THOSE SERVICES. A MAJOR PROJECT FOR US IS UPDATING THE INTERLOCALS WITH TRAVIS COUNTY. WE HAVE THREE MAJOR AREAS WHERE WE HAVE INTERLOCALS WITH TRAVIS COUNTY AND THEY'RE VERY OUTDATED, AND THOSE INCLUDE PUBLIC HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ANIMAL SERVICES. I MENTIONED THE NEW CAMPUS. WE'RE IN THE PROCESS RIGHT NOW OF WORKING ON A MASTER PLAN FOR THAT CAMPUS AND WE'RE GOING TO BE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THE IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORHOODS BECAUSE THERE'S STRONG INTEREST IN THAT PARTICULAR SITE AND LOOKING AT WAYS THAT WE CAN GRANT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES TO THAT SITE THAT WILL REALLY ENHANCE THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND PROVIDE SOME REAL VALUE ADDED FOR OUR NEIGHBORS. THE 10-YEAR PLAN TO END CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS, WHICH WE'LL BE BRINGING FORWARD TO YOU PROBABLY IN THE NEXT MONTH OR SO IS REALLY TAKING THIS VERY AMBITIOUS CONTINUUM THAT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED HERE IN AUSTIN RELATED TO THE HOMELESS AND SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS AND TAKING THAT TO A NEW LEVEL, THAT IS FOCUSING ON ROOT CAUSES AND PREVENTION AND SOME STRATEGIES WHERE WE CAN ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES EARLIER ON SO WE DON'T HAVE TO INVEST QUITE SO MUCH IN THE FACILITIES AND OTHER KINDS OF CRISIS-RELATED SERVICES. AND THIS IS A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HOMELESS TASKFORCE, AND THERE'S A FEDERAL INITIATIVE, AND THIS PLAN COULD SERVE AS A GUIDE FOR POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF SOME FEDERAL GRANTS RELATED TO SERVICES FOR THE

HOMELESS. THREE CORPORATE INITIATIVES THAT WE'RE WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH VARIOUS OTHER DEPARTMENTS INCLUDE THE AMANDA PROJECT, WHICH PROVIDE FOR IMPROVED SOFTWARE AND TECHNOLOGY THAT WOULD ENABLE OUR FIELD STAFF TO ASSESS REALTIME DATA WHILE THEY'RE OUT IN THE FIELD, REDUCE OUR ERRORS, INCREASE OUR CUSTOMER SERVICE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY. THE ONE-STOP SHOP IN THE AREA OF OUR FOOD PROGRAM AND FOOD SERVICES AND DAY CARE CENTERS, THE WHOLE PROCESS OF PLAN REVIEWS, PERMITTING AND INSPECTIONS WILL BE INTEGRATED WITH THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN THE CITY AT THE ONE-STOP SHOP SITE. AND THEN FINALLY, CODE ENFORCEMENT, WE'RE ALSO INVOLVED IN THAT, PARTICULARLY WITH OUR ROAD AND (INDISCERNIBLE) CONTROL PROGRAM. THE NEXT SLIDE IS KEY INDICATORS, AND BASICALLY AS YOU LOOK AT THE KEY INDICATORS, I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE'VE EITHER BEEN ABLE TO MAINTAIN OR IMPROVE IN GENERAL WHAT WE'RE DOING, AND THESE INCLUDE EVERYTHING FROM ANIMAL SERVICES TO COMMUNITY DISEASES TO FOODBORNE ILLNESS AND ALSO ISSUES LIKE IMMUNIZATIONS WHERE WE CONTINUE TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MANY OTHERS IN OUR COMMUNITY TO REACH A LOT OF YOUNG CHILDREN IN PARTICULAR WITH IMMUNIZATIONS. AND OUR TEEN PREGNANCY RATE, INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH IN THE NATIONAL TREND HAS DO GONE DOWN SINCE 1996. IN 1996 WE ACTUALLY HAD THE HIGHEST RATE OF THE LARGER CITIES AND COUNTIES IN TEXAS, AND WE ARE NOW TIED WITH TARRANT COUNTY AS HAVING THE LOWEST OF THOSE FIVE OR SIX COMMUNITIES. SO OUR RATE HAS GONE DOWN. IT IS A NATIONAL PATTERN, BUT OUR RATE IS ACTUALLY DECLINED MORE SO THAN WHAT WE'RE EXPERIENCING IN OTHER COMMUNITIES, WHICH OBVIOUSLY IS VERY POSITIVE. FINALLY IN TERMS OF COMPARISONS, THE ONE INDICATOR THAT WE IDENTIFIED IS THE EUTHANASIA RATE FOR OUR SHELTER. LOOKING AT OUR CITIES IN TEXAS, YOU CAN SEE THEY RANGE IN THE 70 TO 80 PERCENT LEVEL. OUR EUTHANASIA RATE IS 52%. WE SHELTER 22,000 ANIMALS PER YEAR AT THE SHELTER. AND THIS RATE HAS IMPROVED FROM A LEVEL OF 61% BACK IN 1999. MAYOR AND COUNCIL, THAT CONCLUDES MY

PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. LURIE. COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, COUNCIL? COMOMZ.

Thomas: IF YOU COULD GO BACK ON PAGE 43 AND YOUR SAVINGS IN SOCIAL SERVICES. AND COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE CENTRAL EAST AUSTIN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS? AND I DIDN'T -- I LOST ON THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S SHELTER.

OKAY. THE CENTRAL EAST AUSTIN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION PROVIDED BASIC NEEDS AND SUPPORT SERVICES. SO THEIR SERVICES WERE TARGETED TO UNEMPLOYED, WORKING POOR INDIVIDUAL AND THEY PROVIDED LINKAGES FOR SUPPORT SERVICES, JOB READINESS AND TRAINING. AND ALSO THEY HAD SOME YOUTH EDUCATION SERVICES THAT THEY WERE PROVIDING, ENROLLING YOUTH IN AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS, MENTORING AND SO FORTH. THE TOTAL OF THAT CONTRACT WAS A \$65,765, AND THAT AGENCY WENT OUT OF BUSINESS. THEY DISCONTINUED SERVICES. AND ON THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S SHELTER, THIS IS A CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE WITH THE SALVATION ARMY. AND THE SAVINGS HERE, WHEN WE DEVELOP THAT CONTRACT, I'M THINKING IT'S ABOUT A THREE TO FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT, AND WE HAD BUILT INTO THAT ANNUAL INCREASES. AND IT WAS A NEW PROGRAM, A NEW FACILITY. AND AS WE GAIN EXPERIENCE NOW OVER THE LAST TWO OR THREE YEARS OF WORKING WITH THAT NEW FACILITY AND THAT AGENCY, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY SAVINGS WITHIN THAT CONTRACT. IN OTHER WORDS, IT IS NOT INCREASING PER YEAR AT THE RATE THAT WE ORIGINALLY ANTICIPATED, SO IT'S A SAVINGS IN THE OVERALL BUDGET WITHOUT IMPACTING SERVICES. >>..

Thomas: OKAY. YOU SAID THE SAVINGS, BUT THIS ORGANIZATION WENT OUT OF BUSINESS, ARE WE LOOKING AT ANY TIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO TRY TO BRING THAT TYPE OF SERVICES BACK?

NOT SPECIFICALLY, COUNCILMEMBER. WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THAT THOSE KINDS OF SERVICES ARE PROVIDED BY A NUMBER OF OTHER SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES THAT WE

CONTRACT WITH IN THE COMMUNITY, ALONG WITH WHAT WE PROVIDE AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS. SO I WOULD SAY THAT GENERALLY SPEAKING THOSE SERVICES HAVE BEEN ABSORBED BY OTHER PROVIDERS, OTHER AGENCIES IN THE COMMUNITY. AND ON TOP OF THAT, THE ADDITIONAL FUNDING YOU ALL APPROVED FOR SUPPLEMENTAL BASIC NEEDS, THE ADDITIONAL 500,000 A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, IS FOR THE SAME KINDS OF SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED BY VARIOUS AGENCIES.

Thomas: WOULD YOU SAY THE OTHER SERVICES THAT HAVE ABSORBED THIS PART OF THE CONTRACT, HAVE THEY BEEN PRODUCTIVE IN REACHING THE PEOPLE THAT NEED TO BE SERVED?

COUNCILMEMBER, I WOULD SAY THAT THE AGENCIES ARE VERY PRODUCTIVE AND VERY PRODUCTIVE IN REACHING INDIVIDUALS. I THINK IN FAIRNESS WHAT YOU WOULD ALSO HEAR FROM THEM, THE AGENCIES IN GENERAL, IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE ECONOMY AND SO FORTH, THEY HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING INCREASES IN THEIR DEMAND FOR SERVICES AT THE SAME TIME.

Thomas: ON PAGE 47, IN YOUR COLUMN WHERE YOU HAVE '03 ALL THE WAY UP TO '05 UNDER THE HIV, 100,000 POPULATION, COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE PERCENTAGE, YOU HAD 16.9 AND YOU WENT DOWN 15, COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE PERCENTAGES? THE RATE OF HIV.

THE HIV REPORTING IN PARTICULAR WAS A RELATIVELY NEW REQUIREMENT. THIS WAS ESTABLISHED IN AROUND 1999. SO THE FIRST FEW YEARS OF REPORTING ON HIV HAVE NOT BEEN VERY RELIABLE. THAT'S KIND OF SETTLED DOWN NOW. I THINK THE MAIN MESSAGE, COUNCILMEMBER, AS IT RELATES TO HIV AND AIDS AND THE RATES IS IS THAT STATISTICALLY THESE ARE PRETTY LEVEL. WE'RE NOT SEEING A DRAMATIC CHANGE IN TERMS OF THE RATES. NOW, AS WE'VE PRESENTED TO YOU PREVIOUSLY, WE'RE SEEING CHANGES WITHIN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS. AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN, FOR EXAMPLE. AND THAT WAS WHY WE HAD RECOMMENDED SOME CHANGES IN THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDING. BUT I WOULD SAY OVERALL THESE RATES ARE PRETTY STABLE WITH THE ONE EXCEPTION BEING THE HIV

THAT KIND OF JUMPED UP. AND THAT WAS A REPORTING ISSUE IN TERMS OF THAT BEING A NEW REQUIREMENT TO REPORT HIV.

Thomas: OKAY. THANK YOU, I DO COMMEND YOUR DEPARTMENT FOR DOING -- EXCELLENT WORK DUE TO YOUR F.T.E.'S HAVE BEEN LESS. AND WE COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK.

THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. FURTHER COMMENTS? MAYOR PRO TEM.

Goodman: NOT REALLY TODAY, MAYOR, BUT I JUST WANT TO GIVE SORT OF A HEADS UP THAT SOME OF THE ISSUES -- THIS IS ABOUT THE F.T.E.'S. I WANTED TO TALK TO, I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND HOW A BUDGET AMENDMENT FROM HERE TIED INTO THE VACANCY AT THE ANIMAL SHELTER FOR THE RESCUING. BECAUSE THAT WASN'T, I DIDN'T THINK, A COUNCIL ACCIDENT AND THE BUDGET AMENDMENT WAS OPEN TO DO IT OR DON'T DO IT UP TO SOMEBODY ELSE. SOMEONE ELSE'S DECISION. SO I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THE MECHANICS OF THAT. AND THEN THE OTHER POSITIONS, I'LL JUST ASK FOR SOME CLARITY ON PRIORITIES AND SO ON. AND OBVIOUSLY I DON'T EXPECT YOU TO HAVE ANYTHING ON HAND FOR TODAY, BUT THAT WILL COME IN A FORMAL BUDGET QUESTION.

WE'LL LERNL GET THE INFORMATION TO YOU.

Goodman: GREAT, THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: CAN YOU DESCRIBE FOR US WHAT HAS BEEN THE IMPACT HERE IN AUSTIN OF THE STATE'S BUDGET CUTS?

I WOULD SAY IN GENERAL, WE'RE LOOKING AT CUTS IN VARIOUS AREAS. THERE HAVE BEEN ISSUES OBVIOUSLY AROUND SOME OF THE HEALTH FUNDED RELATED KIND OF PROGRAMS, CHIP, SO FORTH, MEDICAID, MEDICAID

ELIGIBILITY. THE OTHER AREAS THAT I THINK ARE OF VERY SIGNIFICANT CONCERN, MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE. WE'RE ALSO SEEING SOME CHANGES TAKING PLACE THROUGH SOME OF THE REORGANIZATIONS THAT COULD EVENTUALLY AFFECT SOME OF THE BASIC NEEDS KINDS OF SERVICES, AND PARTICULARLY THE ELIGIBILITY AND ACCESS KINDS OF FUNCTIONS. THAT IS A VERY LARGE AND COMPLICATED QUESTION, I THINK, AND PICTURE TO PROVIDE FOR YOU IN DETAIL, BUT GENERALLY SPEAKING THAT CASCADES DOWN TO THE LOCAL LEVEL. SO WHEN I REFERENCE A LOT OF THE AGENCIES WE WORK WITH AND WHAT WE DO IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND HOW WE'RE EXPERIENCING INCREASES IN DEMAND, IT'S NOT ONLY THE ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES, THE PRESSURE OF THAT DEMAND, BUT IT IS ALSO CHANGES IN POLICY AND FUNDING AT OTHER LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY ALL THE PEOPLE IN NEED AND THE PEOPLE BEING SERVED ARE HERE AT THE LOCAL LEVEL AND CERTAINLY TURN TO US AS THE SAFETY NET AND SORT OF THE LAST PLACE TO GO AND RESOURCE FOR ACCESSING AND GAINING A LOT OF THESE SERVICES.

McCracken: IN FACT, TO MAYBE MAKE THIS A LITTLE BIT EASIER TO DESCRIBE THE SITUATION, CAN YOU DESCRIBE FOR US WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A CHILD IS CUT OFF FROM THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM BY THE STATE, AND THAT CHILD GETS SICK? WHERE DOES THAT CHILD GO FOR CARE? WHAT IS THE COST OF PROVIDING CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE VERSUS THE COST OF GETTING THE CARE IF THAT CHILD IS CUT OFF FROM RECEIVING HEALTH CARE?

WELL, IT MIGHT BE A BETTER QUESTION FOR COMMUNITY CARE AND MAYBE YOU WANT TO FOLLOW UP AS THEY PRESENT HERE, BUT AGAIN IF PEOPLE, CHILDREN IN PARTICULAR, ARE CUT OFF FROM THAT PROGRAM, THEN THE EFFECT IS THEY'RE HAVING TO ACCESS SERVICES WITHIN THE SAFETY NET AND SERVICES THAT WOULD NOT BE REIMBURSED THROUGH THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM AND THERE MAY BE INSTANCES WHERE BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE ANY INSURANCE THEY CHOOSE TO FOREGO SERVICES, PARTICULARLY SOME OF THE WELLNESS PREVENTION KINDS OF SERVICES. SO AS A

RESULT MAY END UP ACCESSING THE SYSTEM WHEN THEY'RE IN A CRISIS MODE AND ILL AND HAVING TO USE MUCH MORE COSTLY SERVICES. AND GENERALLY AS WE EVALUATED THAT IN TERMS OF THE COST FOR HEALTH COVERAGE AND THE COST FOR PROVIDING THOSE PREVENTIVE SERVICES AND HAVING A SYSTEM IN PLACE THAT FACILITATES PEOPLE ACCESSING THOSE PREVENTIVE SERVICES IS FAR AND ABOVE MORE COST EFFECTIVE THAN HAVING TO TREAT PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY SITUATION. I'VE NOT HAD ACCESS TO THAT KIND OF COVERAGE.

McCracken: AND TO SHORTEN THIS, AND I THINK TRISH YOUNG CAN ALSO SPEAK TO THIS WHEN SHE'S UP THERE IN A SECOND, BUT LET'S SAY, FOR INSTANCE, YOU TAKE A CHILD OFF THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, WHICH I UNDERSTAND IS A PRETTY MODEST COST, AND YOU SAY OKAY, YOUR ALTERNATIVE NOW IS EITHER TO GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM IF YOUR BASIC CARE. AND USUALLY IT'S ONLY WHEN YOU DISBET DESPERATELY -- YOU GET DESPERATELY ILL AND HAVE SOME SORT OF EMERGENCY, IS IT NOT TRUE THAT THE COST OF EMERGENCY CARE IS SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER THAN IT WOULD BE IF THAT CHILD HAD HAD THE LOW COST HEALTH INSURANCE THROUGH CHIP?

ABSOLUTELY. AND THE CHANCES THAT THERE WILL BE OTHER COMPLICATIONS AT THAT STAGE IS GOING TO REQUIRE MORE CARE, MORE TREATMENT, HIGHER COST. IT'S MUCH MORE LIKELY THAN IF YOU'RE INTERVENING EARLIER ON AND PROVIDING SOME OF THE PREVENTIVE AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES.

McCracken: ON TOP OF BEING A COMPLETELY INHUMANE WAY TO GOVERN A STATE, IT'S ALSO MORE COSTLY FOR THE LOCAL TAXPAYER, ISN'T IS IT T.

CERTAINLY MORE COSTLY FOR THE TAXPAYER.

AND AS YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD SETON GIVE US PRESENTATIONS BEFORE ABOUT THE OVERCROWDING IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM. SUE IN ADDITION TO THAT YOU HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE SHOWING UP WITH ILLNESSES THAT PROBABLY COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED NOW ADDING

THAT VOLUME TO OUR EMERGENCY ROOM, MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT TO TREAT OTHER TYPES OF EMERGENCIES THAT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN PREVENTED.

McCracken: AND WHEN WE HAVE THE CHILDREN AND ADULTS TOO THAT ARE BEING THROWN OUT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE SYSTEM INTO AN EMERGENCY CARE CRISIS SYSTEM, WHO PAYS FOR THAT ADDED COST? IS IT PAID FOR, FOR INSTANCE, THROUGH A CONTRACT WITH SETON, WHICH IS ABOUT TO BE SHIPPED OVER TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, OR IS IT PAID FOR BY PROPERTY TAXES BY CITY OF AUSTIN RESIDENTS? I MEAN, WHO PAYS FOR THAT ADDED COST?

AGAIN, COUNCILMEMBER, I KNOW YOU WILL GET A PRESENTATION HERE SHORTLY ABOUT THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, BUT I THINK THE FAIRLY SIMPLISTIC ANSWER IS THAT IT SHIFTED TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYERS IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER, AND THE LOCAL PROVIDERS, THE PROVIDERS PROVIDING INDIGENT CARE, CHARITY CARE AND SO FORTH. SO IT'S SHARED BASICALLY BY THE WHOLE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM.

McCracken: AND TRISH, I'M SORRY, YOU HAD SOME MORE INFORMATION?

I THOUGHT I WOULD ADD ON TO WHAT DAVID WAS SAYING. I THINK THERE'S TWO ELEMENTS. ONE TO CONSIDER IS WHAT CHIP PROVIDED WAS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN, PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN TO SEEK CARE IN OTHER PARTS OF WHAT WE CALL THE PRIVATE SECTOR OF HEALTH CARE. TO THE EXTENT THAT CHIP IS NOT AVAILABLE TO A CHILD AND THEY CAN SEEK CARE WITH A PRIVATE PHYSICIAN, THEY'RE MORE THAN LIKELY TRYING TO SEEK CARE IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM, WHICH WE KNOW IS ALREADY OVERBURDENED AS WELL AS BURSTING AT THE SEAMS. SO IN ADDITION TO NOT ONLY REMOVING A FUNDING SOURCE FOR HEALTH CARE, YOU'RE PUSHING THE DEMAND FOR HEALTH CARE TO THE PORTION OF THE SECTOR THAT IS LEAST ABLE TO HANDLE IT RIGHT NOW. SO THAT'S ONE THING I WOULD ADD. IN GOING TO MR. LURIE'S POINT ABOUT WHO SHARES THE COST, IT REALLY IS THE COST VARIED DIRECTLY OF A CHILD THAT WAS NOT COVERED OR WAS COVERED BY CHIP, AND THAT IS NO LONGER COVERED BY

CHIP REALLY RESTED ON WHETHER OR NOT THAT CHILD WILL BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR ANOTHER PROGRAM. NOW, MORE THAN LIKELY IF THEY WERE ELIGIBLE FOR CHIP, IT MEANS THEY WERE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID. SO MORE THAN LIKELY THEY'RE GOING TO BECOME WHAT WE CALL A SELF VACATION OR A SLIDING FEE SCALE. SO IN THE CLINICS THEY COULD COME AND RECEIVE OUR SERVICES AND PAY DISCOUNTED RATES. AT BRACKENRIDGE OR THE OTHER HOSPITALS THEY'RE EITHER GOING TO PAY OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKET OR THE HOSPITAL IS GOING TO ABSORB THAT EXPENSE IF THE PATIENT CANNOT PAY. AND YOUR QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER OUR CURRENT CONTRACTS COVER THAT, THEY DO TO AN EXTENT, BUT NOT TO THE FULL COST THAT BRACKENRIDGE IN PARTICULAR MAY BE INCURRING FOR CHARITY CARE. SO IT JUST ADDS TO THE BURDEN AND ADDS TO THE COST OF A HOSPITAL TO THE PATIENT AND THE TAXPAYER.

McCracken: IS THERE A CORRELATION THAT, SAY, A CUT OF THIS NATURE RESULTS IN CITY OF AUSTIN RESIDENTS PAYING A HIGHER TAXES FOR SERVICES THAT WERE PAID AT A LOWER COST TO THE STATE?

I THINK IT COULD EVENTUALLY LEAD TO THAT. IF WE'RE REQUIRED TO INCREASE THE PUBLIC HEALTH CARE SYSTEM TO ABSORB THE CARE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS, THEN ULTIMATELY THE THE TAXPAYER WOULD BE FOOTING THAT BILL, YES.

McCracken: DO WE HAVE ANY ESTIMATION ABOUT -- ESTIMATION ABOUT WHAT THE BUDGET IMPACT HAS BEEN THAT THE STATE HAS THROWN FOSTER KIDS IN THE STREET AND CHILDREN OUT OF HEALTH CARE AND DUMPED IT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS? DO WE HAVE ANY KIND OF A DOLLAR ESTIMATE ON WHAT THAT COSTS?

I DON'T. I'LL LET MR. LURIE ANSWER AS WELL. I DON'T PERSONALLY HAVE ANYTHING WITH ME. I KNOW THERE'S BEEN TRACKING GOING ON, AND I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS SOME INFORMATION AVAILABLE. I'M NOT SURE IT WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE COST OF CARE. MR. LURIE MAY KNOW MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT.

I'M NOT SURE EITHER. THERE'S CERTAINLY BEEN A NUMBER OF STUDIES AND ANALYSES DONE ON THAT AND WE CAN TAKE A LOOK AT THAT AND PROVIDE YOU WITH WHAT'S AVAILABLE. >>....c.

Alvarez: THERE IS ACTUALLY A STUDY THAT WAS PUT OUT A MONTH OR TWO AGO THAT ACTUALLY DETAILS DOLLAR BY DOLLAR BASIS OF -- IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED AS A RESULT OF THE CUTS. IT'S A PRETTY DETAILED REPORT SINCE THE LAST SESSION OF WHAT THE IMPACT HAS BEEN. I HAVE A COPY IN MY OFFICE. I'LL MAKE A COPY FOR YOU.

McCracken: I WOULD APPRECIATE IT. AND THE CENTER DOES EXCELLENT WORK. DO THEY PROVIDE INFORMATION BROKEN DOWN FOR AUSTIN OR I GUESS WHAT I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT, IF WE WERE TO BE ABLE TO SAY ON A LOCAL BASIS, HERE IS WHAT CITY OF AUSTIN RESIDENTS ARE PAYING BECAUSE THE STATE ADOPTS A COURSE OF BASICALLY CUTTING OFF OUR MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE?

I WILL HAVE TO GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE STUDY. I KNOW THE ONE THE COUNCILMEMBER REFERRED TO. THEY TYPICALLY REPORT AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. WE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK TO THEM AND SEE IF IT'S BROKEN DOWN ANY FURTHER. THEY DO TRACK THE ACTUAL STATISTICS REGARDING WHO WAS SEEKING SERVICE, WHO IS NO LONGER RECEIVING SERVICES AND THERE ARE SOME COST ESTIMATES IN TERMS OF SORT OF REDUCTION AND EXPENDITURES. WE COULD GO BACK TO THAT SOURCE AND SEE IF THERE'S ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

McCracken: ALSO, I DON'T KNOW. THIS PROBABLY ISN'T DAVID'S AREA, BUT TRASH MAY BE IN YOURS TOO. WHAT WE SEE AS -- THE CUTS OF ELIGIBILITY FOR BASIC SERVICES OR MAKING IT HARDER TO GET BASIC SERVICES, WHAT KIND OF BASIC SERVICES ARE PEOPLE LOSING IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AS A RESULT OF WHAT THE STATE IS DOING NOW?

THIS IS BEYOND HEALTH. WELL, I THINK THE AREAS WE'RE EXPERIENCING IN TERMS OF SOCIAL SERVICES IS PRIMARILY IN AREAS OF BASIC NEEDS, THE KINDS OF FINANCIAL

ASSISTANCE AND SO FAR THAT PEOPLE WOULD HAVE TO BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR BASIC NEEDS. SO AS ELIGIBILITIES CHANGE, AS THE INTAKE CHANGES, THAT IMPACTS US LOCALLY AND IN PARTICULAR OUR SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS.

McCracken: I GUESS WHAT I'M TRYING TO GET AT IS WHAT BASIC NEEDS. ARE WE SAYING THAT WE'RE GETTING OFF THE DISADVANTAGED FROM GETTING ENOUGH FOOD TO EAT OR CUTTING THEM OFF FROM GETTING SOME KIND OF OTHER ASSISTANCE? WHAT KIND OF BASIC NEEDS ARE BEING RESTRICTED?

I'M GOING TO ASK VINCE, OUR HUMAN -- DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES, TO COME FORWARD AND COMMENT ON SOME SPECIFIC EXAMPLES THAT HE'S AWARE OF.

COUNCILMEMBER, I'M VINCE (INDISCERNIBLE). AND I WOULD SAY THAT THE BIGGEST IMPACT THAT WE'VE SEEN MOST RECENTLY HAS BEEN IN THE AREA OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE PRIMARILY AUSTIN RECOVERY, WHO HAD THEIR FUNDS COMPLETELY CUT FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES FOR HOMELESS WOMEN AND CHILDREN. AND THEN PARTIALLY RESTORED FROM THE STATE. THAT'S GOING TO HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR OWN SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES THAT WE FUND, ONE OF THE AGENCIES THAT WE FUND FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE. THERE'S OTHER, MORE SPECIFIC BASIC NEEDS THAT I'M NOT REALLY FAMILIAR. I THINK IT'S MORE RELATED TO THE CHIP, AND MENTAL HEALTH. THERE'S A LOT OF REORGANIZATION, A LOT OF CHANGES IN THE OVERALL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STRUCTURE THAT IS LIKELY TO IMPACT US, SO WE HAVEN'T REALLY BEEN ABLE TO ASCERTAIN YET.

McCracken: I'VE SEEN NEWS REPORTS WHERE THE FOSTER CARE CENTERS ARE BEING CUT OR THEY'RE DEFUNDING FOSTER CARE. DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT?

I'VE SEEN A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT IN THE PAPER, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT WE PARTICULARLY HAVE DIRECT SOCIAL SERVICES FUNDING FOR THOSE TYPES OF SERVICES. WE FUND SOME CHILD CARE SERVICES, BUT NOT FOSTER CARE, PER SE. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT'S GOING TO

TRANSLATE INTO AN IMPACT IN THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE THROUGH CITY FUNDS.

McCracken: I UNDERSTAND THAT WE DON'T PROVIDE FOSTER CARE, EXCEPT THE STATE IS CUT THEM OFF AND THEY'RE BASICALLY DUMPING KIDS ON THE STREET. IS THAT WHAT HAPPENS?

RIGHT. IT WILL LIKELY HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE HOMELESS POPULATION. AND OF COURSE, THOSE SERVICES ARE ALREADY FAIRLY STRAINED, WELL STRAINED.

McCracken: I KNOW THAT THERE WAS A DISCUSSION FREQUENTLY IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT WHAT KIND OF COMMUNITY DO WE WANT TO BE HERE IN AUSTIN AND ALSO WHAT KIND OF COMMUNITY DO WE WANT TO BE IN TEXAS. AND THE QUESTION IS ARE WE SPENDING ENOUGH ON OUR PEOPLE HERE IN AUSTIN. I THINK WHAT WE'RE SEEING HERE IS THAT WE ARE HAVING TO TAKE UP THE SLACK FOR A SYSTEM THAT HAS MADE -- REALLY CHANGED KIND OF HOW MORAL OUR GOVERNMENT IS IN TREATING PEOPLE. AND I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT OUR STATE BECAUSE I KNOW YOU ALL ARE WORKING LIKE CRAZY TO PROTECT THESE PEOPLE THAT HAVE SUDDENLY BEEN CUT OFF. I'LL TELL YOU WHEN I WAS -- WHEN I STARTED WORK AS A PROSECUTOR, I THOUGHT, MAN, I'M GOING TO GO OUT AND FIGHT CRIME. AND WHAT I FOUND OUT IS THAT MOST CRIMES COMMITTED BY PEOPLE WITH A SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROBLEM, AND MAINLY COMMITTED BY YOUNG PEOPLE. AND SO NOW WHAT WE'RE SEEING IS THAT WE'RE CUTTING OFF AT THE STATE LEVEL SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND WE'RE DEFUNDING FOSTER CARE, AND WE ALSO HEARD LAST WEEK FROM CHEAP KNEE THAT WE HAVE AN INCREASE IN VIOLENT CRIME AND AN INCREASE IN GANG CRIME. NONE OF THIS IS A COINCIDENCE. AND I'M GLAD THAT WE CHOOSE TO SEE A DIFFERENT KIND OF PLACE FOR AUSTIN, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE JOB THAT Y'ALL ARE DOING. I THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO FIND OUT THE FISCAL IMPACT AND ALSO LET PEOPLE KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON BECAUSE IT AFFECTS ALL OF US IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICES.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS.

Thomas: GO AHEAD, MAYOR PRO TEM.

Goodman: I'LL WAIT.

Thomas: ALL THAT COMK WAS -- ALL THAT COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken WAS SAYING, WHAT DO WE DO AS A CITY -- I KNOW THIS MIGHT BE A LITTLE POLITICAL, BUT WHEN WE TAKE THE BRUNT OF A LOT OF WHAT HE WAS SAYING, THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND EVERYTHING, THE FOSTER KIDS , AND YOU SAID IT AFFECTS THE HOMELESS AND THEN THAT DEALS WITH US. DO WE HAVE ANY RELIEF -- HAVE WE HEARD ANYTHING FROM OUR LEGISLATORS OR SENATORS SAYING THEY'RE GOING TO TRY TO FUND SOME OF THOSE THINGS BACK ALL THE WAY FROM OUR TEXAS LEGISLATORS TO THE WASHINGTON LEGISLATORS AND REPRESENTATIVE SNZ....? WHAT HE'S SAYING IS TRUE, BUT WHAT DO WE -- I GUESS WE HAVE TO SEND A MESSAGE AND SAY HOW IT REALLY AFFECTS US, HOW IT AFFECTS THE CITIZENS OF AUSTIN, HOUSTON OR WHATEVER, ETCETERA, ETCETERA. BUT HAVE YOU HEARD ANYTHING FROM ANYBODY ELSE IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH CARE SAYING THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET RELIEF SOON?

Futrell: LET ME TRY A BROADER RESPONSE TO THAT. FOR EXAMPLE, FOR OUR EFFORTS, WE WORK WITH OUR LOB WE - - LOBBY TEAM TO WORK ON THE CAUSE AND IMPACT SO THAT WHEN THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION COMES BACK, WE CAN SPEAK TO THE IMPACT AND THE COST OF ACTIONS THAT WERE TAKEN ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT. SO EACH OF OUR DEPARTMENTS PREPARE AND ARE ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER TO GIVE A CONSOLIDATED IMPACT STATEMENT. NOW, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT GROUPS ALL AROUND THE STATE THAT ARE COLLECTING DATA. YOU READ IT IN THE LOCAL PAPER AND IN OTHER PLACES, BUT COLLECTING DATA AND BEGINNING TO TALK VERY PUBLICLY ABOUT THE IMPACT FROM THE STATE CUTS. SO I THINK YOU ARE SEEING MOVEMENT OF GROUPS, BOTH HEALTH CARE, ADVOCACY GROUPS AND OTHERS PREPARING TO BRING THESE ISSUES BACK IN FRONT OF THE LEGISLATURE TO SAY HERE'S BEEN -- HERE'S THE EFFECT OF THE ACTIONS THAT WERE TAKEN. SO WE WORK VERY CAREFULLY WITH OUR LOBBY TEAM SO THAT WE CAN SHOW THE ACTUAL IMPACT FOR US. I MEAN, IF THAT HELPS AT ALL. DAVID, ANYTHING

YOU CAN ADD ON ADVOCACY GROUPS AND HEALTH?

THERE CERTAINLY ARE A LOT OF FOLKS VERY INTERESTED IN THIS ISSUE, AND I THINK DOING A LOT OF GOOD WORK IN TERMS OF COMPIELING THE DAT -- COMPILING THE DATA AND IMPACT. AND I CAN'T SPEAK IN TERMS OF RELIEF AT THE LEGISLATIVE LEVEL AND WHAT MAY OR MAY NOT HAPPEN THERE. AT THE STAFF LEVEL WE'RE CERTAINLY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF EVERY OPPORTUNITY THAT COMES ALONG. COMMUNITY CARE HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL GETTING FEDERAL FUNDING FOR HEALTH SERVICES RELATED TO THE HOMELESS. I MENTIONED THIS 10-YEAR PLAN TO END CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS WHERE WE'LL BE COMING FORWARD TO PRESENT TO YOU A PLAN THAT EVENTUALLY WE HOPE WILL TRANSLATE INTO SOME FORM OF GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THE BIG PART OF THAT, THOUGH, IS DISCHARGE PLANNING AND MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES. SO FOR IT TO BE SUCCESSFUL, WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO HAVE THOSE SERVICES IN PLACE. SO I THINK IT'S A COMBINATION OF US PURSUING EVERY POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITY WE CAN IDENTIFY AT THE STAFF LEVEL IN TERMS OF WHAT MAY BE OUT THERE, BUT AS THE CITY MANAGER'S POINTED OUT, I THINK THERE'S A MUCH BIGGER, HIGHER LEVEL, ISSUE HERE IN TERMS OF HOW YOU MOBILIZE RESOURCES AND ADVOCACY IN TERMS OF TRYING TO INFLUENCE THOSE POLICY DECISIONS.

Thomas: I GUESS WHAT I JUST WANTED TO LET THE CITIZENS IN THIS GREAT CITY OF AUSTIN KNOW IS THAT WE'RE STILL WORKING HARD TO TRY TO RESTORE SOME OF THE SERVICES, AND LETTING THEM KNOW THAT WE'RE WORKING HARD TO LET OUR LEGISLATORS AND SENATORS KNOW THAT. THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET BACK THE SERVICE BACK TO A LEVEL THAT WE HAVE LESS HOMELESS, LESS SUBSTANCE ABUSE. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: MAYOR PRO TEM.

Goodman: I'D LIKE TO THANK OUR STAFF FOR COMING THROUGH FOR SO MANY YEARS BECAUSE IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE THE STATE BEGAN, REDUCING THE CONTRIBUTIONS IT'S MADE FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE

STATE. CERTAINLY CITIES AND COUNTIES THEN, OR AT LEAST CITIES HAVE TO TAKE UP THE SLACK. THERE'S DIFFERENT WAYS TO BE ABLE TO QUANTIFY AND QUALIFY THE IMPACT THAT THEIR CUTBACKS HAVE HAD ON US BECAUSE FOR EVERY REDUCTION THEY MAKE, THE NEED STAYS AT LEAST THE SAME, AND IN MANY CASES INCREASES. SO IF YOU WANT TO LOOK AT WHAT WE SPEND MONEY ON AND WHAT WE DON'T SPEND ADDS MUCH MONEY ON OR WHAT WE'VE HAD TO KEEP STABLE, AND ALTHOUGH THE NEED HAS RISEN, THE SPENDING HAS EITHER DECREASED OR STAYED LEVEL, THAT AMOUNT OF DOLLARS RIGHT THERE IS SOMETHING THAT THE STATE COSTS US WHEN THEY PULL BACK. MENTAL HEALTH IS EASY TO IDENTIFY BECAUSE WE HAVE AN MHMR THAT WE TRY TO WORK WITH IN PARTNERSHIP. EVEN A.P.D. HAS COME IN TO THE BREACH AND TRIED TO HELP OUT WITH IN OTHER DAYS OF SERVICES THAT WOULDN'T HAVE NECESSARILY BEEN A.P.D. DRIVEN. BUT IN MANY WAYS EVERY TIME A NEED IS INCREASED FOR EVEN ONE FAMILY BECAUSE OF A CIRCUMSTANCE OR A PROGRAM THAT NO LONGER EXISTS, THEY OFTEN COME TO US. SO WE HAVE TO TRY TO FILL THAT GAP WITH SOME SORT OF SERVICE OR INFORMATION OR PROGRAM, AND WE DON'T HAVE THE DOLLARS TO DO IT. NO LOCALITY DOES HAVE THE REVENUE SOURCES OR EVEN PEOPLE OR IN KIND RESOURCES TO FILL THE NEED. THAT'S WHY WE'RE SUPPOSEDLY A COMMUNITY OF STATES AS A NATION SO THAT WE POOL OUR RESOURCES. AND THE LATTER YEARS THE POOLING HAS BEEN MOST EXPECTED AND MOST EFFECTIVE AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO MEET ALL NEEDS. SO I THINK THAT BETWEEN LOOKING AT THE ASSESSMENT EACH MONTH AND ISSUE AREAS, I'LL BET THERE ARE ANY NUMBER OF WAYS THAT YOU CAN QUANTIFY AND PROVE WHAT THE STATE COSTS US WHEN THEY REDUCE SERVICES, MONEY, ATTENTION OR PRIORITY IN A NUMBER OF ISSUE AREAS.

ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE NOTICING FROM THE STATE LEVEL IS WITH THE REORGANIZATIONS TAKING PLACE AT STATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE MERGERS, WE'RE NOT GETTING MUCH NOTICE WHEN IT COMES TO WHAT THEY'RE ACTUALLY DISCUSSING AND WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO REDUCE. WE'RE O. -- SOME OF

OUR CONTACTS WITH MR. EVANS IN MHMR, EVEN SOME OF THOSE AREAS THEY'RE SORT OF IN THE DARK ABOUT WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE. IN SOME INSTANCES WE LEARN ABOUT IT IN THE HARD WAY AND WE HAVE A DIRECT IMPACT. SO WE'RE CONSTANTLY IN COMMUNICATION AND TRYING TO DISCUSS AND TRYING TO PINPOINT WHERE SOME OF THOSE CUTS ARE GOING TO TAKE PLACE. BUT RIGHT NOW THAT STATE ORGANIZATION IS IN A BIT OF A FLUX WITH THEIR REORGANIZATION AND SO IT'S SOMETIMES DIFFICULT TO TRY TO PIN DOWN THE INFORMATION.

Goodman: IF I COULD, MAYOR, JUST ONE MORE THING THAT I WOULD LIKE TO END OFF WITH THIS. BECAUSE ALL THE FOLKS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THIS SORT OF SERVICE DIVISION ARE VERY CREATIVE, INNOVATIVE AND THEY MAKE THE DIME DO THE WORK OF A DOLLAR, HAVE ALWAYS DONE THAT. AND NOW WE'RE HAVING TO DO THE WORK OF TWO DOLLARS, WHICH IS ESPECIALLY IMPOSSIBLE IN BAD TIMES, BUT EVERYBODY DOES THEIR BEST. HERE IN THIS CITY WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE OUNCE OF PREVENTION OR THE DOLLAR OF CURE FROM A -- I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER WHAT YEAR THAT WAS, BUT I KNOW IT'S GOT TO BE MORE THAN 30. AND IN FACT, MANY OTHER AREAS OF TEXAS HAVE BEEN SAYING THE SAME THING IN THEIR OWN PROVISION OF SERVICES. THEY I DON'T THINK AT THE STATE HAVE THE SAME ABILITY FOR FACE TO FACE ACROSS THE ROOM CONVERSATIONS WITH THEIR CONSTITUENTS THAT WE DO, AND I THINK IF THAT WAS CHANGED A LITTLE BIT MAYBE FOLKS AT THE STATE WOULD ALSO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE REAL, TRUE IMPACTS ON ANY COMMUNITY ARE. SO SINCE THEY ARE A LITTLE BIT DISTANCED FROM THEIR CONSTITUENTS MORE THAN WE ARE, MAYBE WE SHOULD DECIDE TO TAKE UP THE SLACK AND JOIN CAN AND OTHER ADVOCACY GROUPS THAT ATTEMPT TO TAKE THE REAL WORLD IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET CUTS TO THE STATE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MAYOR PRO TEM. FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: JUST ANOTHER COMMENT I THINK ON THE VERY INTERESTING ASPECT ON THE EFFECT OF STATE CUTS IS IN THE HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE WE RECEIVED A

PRESENTATION AND THE COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK AS WELL ABOUT SOME OF THE INDIGENT CARE COLLABORATIVES ABOUT SOME OF THE DATA THEY'RE ABLE TO COLLECT NOW AS A.....AS A RESULT OF THIS NEW PATIENT DATABASE. THROUGH WHICH ALL THE VARIOUS MEDICAL CENTERS WE PROVIDE ARE COLLABORATING, SO IN THEIR PRESENTATION THEY ACTUALLY WERE ABLE TO SHOW WHAT CERTAIN SERVICES OR ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS TOOK EFFECT EITHER THE NEW REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE STATE LEGISLATION THAT WAS PASSED AS A STATE BUDGET AND THEN THE FOLLOWING MONTHS WHAT THAT DID IN TERMS OF THE NEED FOR SERVICES IN OUR COMMUNITY AS A RESULT OF THOSE CHANGES BEING IMPLEMENTED. AND SO THAT'S ANOTHER GOOD SOURCE, I THINK, FOR LOOKING AT THE IMPACT OF SOME OF THIS STATE AND OTHER FEDERAL LEGISLATIONS ON OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY BECAUSE, AGAIN, WE'RE THE LAST LINE OF DEFENSE, SO I THINK IT'S REAL IMPORTANT AND WE TRY TO HOLD THE LINE IN TERM OF THE SERVICES THAT WE'RE PROVIDING BECAUSE THERE'S JUST A LOT OF FOLKS THAT -- MORE FOLKS THAT ARE FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO GET SERVICES FROM THE STATE OR THE FEDERAL LEVEL. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED HARD WORK IN THIS ARENA. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN BE AS CREATIVE AS WE CAN IN TERMS OF USING THE RESOURCES THAT WE'RE DEDICATING FOR THE HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. THANK YOU, MR. LURIE.

NEXT IS THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. WELCOME.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. WHEN REVIEWING THE CITIZENS' SURVEY OF OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, WITH REGARDS TO THE APPEARANCE OF OUR PARK GROUNDS, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 82%, THE SATISFACTION WAS 85%. WITH REGARDS TO OUR RECREATION CENTERS, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 54%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 88%. WITH REGARDS TO YOUTH RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 53%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 90%. SENIOR

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS, THE PRIORITY RANKING WAS 44%, THE SATISFACTION RATING WAS 90%. AND WITH REGARDS TO PARK SAFETY, HOW PEOPLE ACTUALLY FEEL AND HOW SAFE DO THEY FEEL IN OUR PARKS, THE PRIORITY RATING WAS 79%, THE SATISFACTION RANKING WAS 83%. WE'VE TALKED SEVERAL TIMES ABOUT AS THE ECONOMY TURNED HOW PARTICULARLY THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENTS WERE IMPACTED. CERTAINLY PARKS AND RECREATION WAS NO EXCEPTION. AS PEOPLE HAVE LESS TO SPEND THEY'RE GOING TO TURN TO SOME OF THE PUBLIC ACTIVITIES FOR RECREATION, AND CERTAINLY WE HAVE OBSERVED THAT INCREASE IN OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. I JUST THINK IT SPEAKS VOLUMES THAT IF YOU LOOK AT EACH ONE OF THESE CATEGORIES, THE SATISFACTION RATING INCREASED OVER LAST YEAR, AND AGAIN AS WE TALKED ABOUT EARLIER, THEY'RE DOING THIS WITH ONE OF THE LOWEST STAFFING LEVELS AMONG PARK DEPARTMENTS IN THE STATE. SO WITH THAT I'LL TURN THE PRESENTATION OVER TO WARREN STRIEWS, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION.

THANK YOU, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO BE PRESENTING TO YOU TODAY OUR 2004-2005 OPERATING BUDGET. BEFORE I DO I WANT TO GET STARTED AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR A COUPLE OF FOLKS. FIRST I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO JAY STONE OUR ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WHO HAS WORKED SO TIRELESSLY IN HELPING ME MANAGE THE BUDGET AND THE DEPARTMENT. AND ALSO RICK RAMIREZ, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO RICK AS WELL FOR HIS HELP AND ASSISTANCE IN THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS. BUT MORE THAN THAT WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS SAY THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT EXEEZ. I THINK THEY -- EMPLOYEES. I THINK THEY DESERVE A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. I THINK THEY'VE WORKED SO HARD THESE LAST TWO YEARS ON MAINTAINING YOUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THEM AS WELL. [APPLAUSE] BUDGET FACTS ON THE GENERAL FUND FOR FY '04-'05 PROPOSED REVENUE BUDGET, 2.9 MILLION, PROPOSED EXPENDITURE BUDGET FOR THE PROPOSED '05, 28.1 MILLION. PROPOSED F.T.E.'S,

384 F.T.E.'S, AND THIS WILL INCLUDE SIX NEW F.T.E.'S. FIVE OF THOSE WITH THE -- BRINGING ON THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER MUSEUM, WHICH WILL MAKE -- OF THAT FIVE F.T.E.'S WILL MAKE A TOTAL OF EIGHT F.T.E.'S. AND ALSO ALSO HAVE ONE ADDITIONAL F.T.E. FOR THE PARK POLICE SERGEANT AT THE AUSTIN RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS. PROPOSED REDUCTIONS FOR THIS NEXT YEAR, 493,000 PROPOSED F.T.E. REDUCTIONS, THREE AND A HALF F.T.E.'S, RESULTING IN A NET INCREASE OF TWO AND A HALF F.T.E.'S. OTHER BUDGET FACTS AND OTHER FUNDS, THE DOP ENTERPRISE FUND, 5.8 MILLION. PROPOSED F.T.E.'S, 50. I THINK IT'S NOTABLE THAT WE NOTE THE FACT THAT THIS INCLUDES A REDUCTION OF 13 F.T.E.'S IN THE GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND, 10 OF THOSE WERE BASIC POSITIONS, THREE OF THOSE ARE FIELD. I'M PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE PLACED THREE POSITIONS AND OTHER POSITIONS IN THE OPERATIONS DIVISION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. THIS REDUCTION WILL ALLOW THE GOLF FUND TO REMAIN VERY VIABLE AND VERY COMPETITIVE. IT'S A VERY COMPETITIVE MARKET OUT THERE RIGHT NOW WITH GOLF. IN 1998 THERE WERE 20 GOLF COURSES IN THE REGION. IN 2004 WE HAVE 40... 40 GOLF SOURCES IN THE -- COURSES IN THE REGION. SO WE'VE DOUBLED THE GOLF COURSES. SO IT'S INCUMBENT UPON US TO REMAIN EXTREMELY COMPETITIVE, EXTREMELY SHARP IN PROVIDING OUR GOLF PROGRAM. THE RECREATION ENTERPRISE FUND PROPOSED EXPENDITURES, 2.9 MILLION. PROPOSED F.T.E.'S, 19 AND A HALF. AND THIS IS YOUR ENTERPRISE FUND THAT PROVIDES PREDOMINANTLY YOUR FEE BASED PROGRAMS IN YOUR RECREATION CENTERS. YOUR SOFTBALL FUND PROPOSED EXPENDITURE IS 8.. 845,000, PROPOSED F.T.E.'S, SEVEN. AND THEN YOUR GRANTS FUND PROPOSED EXPENDITURES, 2.6 MILLION. THIS INCLUDES YOUR SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM, YOUR SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM, AND YOUR SENIOR AIDES PROGRAM. THERE ARE 12 F.T.E.'S IN THE GRANT FUNDED AREA. WE WILL HAVE ONE REDUCTION OF ONE F.T.E., WHICH IS VACANT IN THE GRANT AREA. GENERAL FUND REVENUE FACTS: OUR FEE SCHEDULE WILL REMAIN VIRTUALLY UNCHANGED, BUT WE DO HAVE A NOTABLE ONE THAT WE WANT TO BRING ON TO YOUR ATTENTION. THE PARKING FIAT ZILKER BOTANICAL GARDENS

WE'RE RECOMMEND FOG A NET REVENUE INCREASE OF 85,000. THIS IS GOING TO SERVE A TWO-ROLE PURPOSE IN THE REVENUE. WE'RE GOING TO SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE REVENUE. THOSE REVENUES WILL BE DIRECTLY TARGETED TO THE AUSTIN AREA GARDEN CENTER AND THE BOTANICAL GARDENS. OBVIOUSLY TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS OF THE GARDEN CENTER, THIS IS ONE OF OUR CROWN JEWELS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN. THE SECOND PART OF THAT REVENUE AND THAT DHARJING WILL ALLOW US TO MANAGE THE PARKING AT THE FACILITY. IT'S BECOME MORE POPULAR AND OUR TRAFFIC, WE NEED TO START MANAGING IT IF THIS WILL ALLOW TO US MANAGE THAT CONDITION AS WELL. WE ALSO HAVE SOME MISCELLANEOUS FEES THAT WILL RESULT IN 3200 DOLLARS' WORTH OF REVENUE. GENERAL FUND REVENUE FACTS, ENTRY FEES, 1 POINT A MILLION DOLLARS. THIS INCLUDES YOUR MUNICIPAL POOLS, WALTER E. LONG PARK, EMMA LONG PARK, BARTON SPRINGS. WE ALSO HAVE PARKING FEES, WHICH WILL GENERATE \$285,000. THAT IS FOR ZILKER PARK AND THE AUSTIN AREA GARDEN CENTER. OTHER REVENUE FACTS: FACILITY AND BUILDING RENTALS, THINGS SUCH AS THE RENTAL FIESTA GARDEN, AUDITORIUM SHORES, GENERATE 449,000. CONCESSION REVENUES, REVENUES FROM CONCESSIONS SUCH AS THE ZILKER TRAIN, THE ZILKER FOOD CONCESSION, THE ROWING CONCESSIONS ALONG TOWN LAKE GENERATE 471,000. AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS, PRIMARILY THE TRAIL OF LIGHT SPONSORSHIPS WILL GENERATE 208,000. A TOTAL OF 2.9 MILLION IN GENERAL FUND REVENUE. THE PIE CHART SHOWS YOU HOW THE REVENUES BREAK DOWN IN PERSONALS. OBVIOUSLY ENTRY FEES MAKE UP THE MAJORITY OF OUR REVENUES, FOLLOWED BY THE CONCESSION REVENUES, FACILITY AND BUILDING AND ALSO PARKING FEES. EXPENDITURE FACTS: EXPENDITURE BY MAJOR PROGRAM, I WON'T GO THROUGH ALL THEM BUT I'LL NOTE THE TOP THERE WHICH ARE WORTHY. FACILITY SERVICES, OUR EXPENDITURES OF 11.5 MILLION, THAT'S PRIMARILY FOR PARK OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION. COMMUNITY SERVICES, 11.1 MILLION, THAT'S YOUR RECREATION CENTERS AND YOUR SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTERS AND YOUR PROGRAMS. AND THEN \$9.5 MILLION IN EXPENDITURES IN YOUR PORTS MANAGEMENT,

THAT'S YOUR GOLF COURSES, YOUR SOFTBALL AREA AND YOUR AQUATICS AREAS, WHICH INCLUDES YOUR POOLS. THE CHART ON THAT SHOWS A FAIRLY BALANCED EXPENDITURE BETWEEN COMMUNITY SERVICES, WHICH ARE YOUR PROGRAMS, AND ALSO FACILITY SERVICES, WHICH CONSTITUTE YOUR PARKS AND YOUR OPERATIONS. FOLLOWED BY SPORTS MANAGEMENT AT 22%. PROPOSED REDUCTIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND, LET ME HIGHLIGHT A FEW OF THOSE IF I MAY. WE'RE LOOKING AT ELIMINATION OF THREE AND A HALF VACANT POSITIONS IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. OF THAT THREE AND A HALF VACANT POSITIONS, TWO AND A HALF ARE IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE AREA AND THEN WE HAVE ONE IN THE SPLASH EXHIBIT AS EXHIBIT COORDINATOR OVER IN THE SPLASH EXHIBIT. \$140,000 ALSO IN THE RETURN OF OPERATING FUNDS FOR THE DEBIT MORE GYM ENCLOSURE WE DID HAVE IDENTIFIED 140,000 IN O AND M THAT WE'RE RETURNING. THAT WAS FOR THE GYM ENCLOSE ENCLOSURE THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE CONSTRUCTED AND WE DID NOT BRING THAT ONLINE. ELIMINATE THE YOUTH OUTREACH AND (INDISCERNIBLE). THIS IS THE SECOND REDUCTION OF A TWO-YEAR REDUCTION PLAN. WE'RE GOING TO RESTRUCTURE THE ROWING PROGRAM WITH A REDUCTION OF 46,000, BUT I'M HAPPY TO SAY I THINK WE CAN KEEP THE ROWING PROGRAM GOING, WE'LL SIMPLY DECENTRALIZE IT AND RESTRUCTURE IT IN THE RECREATION CENTERS AND CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THAT IT SERVICE. REDUCED COMMODITIES AND CONTRACTUALS, ALSO GOING TO REDUCE MIDNIGHT BASKETBALL BY 25,000. ELIMINATE OLD ST. JOHN'S RECREATION CENTER FUNDING, AND THE CHIEF WAS WILLING TO GIVE UP HIS ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLE AS WELL. SERVICE LEVELS CONTINUED OR ENHANCED: VERY PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE'LL BE OPENING BY THE END OF THE YEAR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PARK CHESTNUT PARK WILL BE OPENING BY THE END OF THE YEAR. CHESTNUT WILL HAVE A SPLASH POOL, A WATER FEATURE, A PLAYSCAPE, PAVILION, AND IT SHOULD BE, AS I INDICATED, SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE YEAR. GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER THEATER AND MUSEUM SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN OCTOBER OF 2004, WE'RE VERY, VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS. IT'S GOING TO BE QUITE AN OPENING. WE'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. STAFF IS REALLY MOVING

FORWARD AND ACCELERATING AND GETTING READY.

POOLS: I'M PLEASED TO SAY THAT NO POOLS WILL SEE ANY REDUCTION IN SERVICE FOR NEXT YEAR. AND OUR SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM, WE'RE PROVIDING 30 SITES THIS YEAR VERY SUCCESSFULLY AND WE'LL PROVIDE 30 SITES NEXT YEAR AS WELL.

SERVICE LEVELS: I WANT TO BRING SOME ATTENTION TO A WONDERFUL -- THIS PAST YEAR HAS BEEN WONDERFUL IN PROVIDING MAJOR EVENTS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND OUR PARKS IN PUBLIC SPACES.

OBVIOUSLY AUSTIN CITY LIMITS MUSIC FESTIVAL WE HAD 170,000 PARTICIPANTS AT ZILKER. WE HAD ANOTHER WONDERFULLY SUCCESSFUL FOURTH OF JULY CONCERT.

AS A MATTER OF FACT, WE HAD TWO CONCERTS ON THE CORRIDOR WHICH WE THINK DREW 110,000 ON OUR TOWN LAKE CORRIDOR. TRAIL OF LIGHTS LAST YEAR EXCEEDED 300,000. AND THIS PAST YEAR WAS OUR FIRST YEAR TO BRING THE PRO BEACH VOLLEYBALL TO AUSTIN TEXAS ON AUDITORIUM SHORES AND WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT IT, VERY SUCCESSFUL, LOOK FORWARD TO IT NEXT YEAR.

CAPITAL 10,000 IS COMING BACK, MOTOROLA MARATHON, SOUTH BY SOUTHWEST. HAD A GREAT EVENT THIS YEAR AND LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER GOOD ONE NEXT YEAR.

AND FARMERS MARKET, WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWN HOW POPULAR THAT WOULD BE. WHAT AN EVENT, WHAT A DEAL THAT FARMER'S MARKET AT REPUBLIC SQUARE.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2004: AGAIN, I'M VERY, VERY PLEASED TO SAY WE WERE NOMINATED AND AWARDED THE BEST PARKS SYSTEM IN THE STATE OF TEXAS THROUGH THE TEXAS RECREATION AND PARK SOCIETY.

ALSO, WE HAVE BEEN NOMINATED AS ONE OF THE TOP FOUR IN THE NATION AS BEING YOUR BEST PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT IN THE NATION.

WE HAVE WIRELESS INTERNET AT REPUBLIC SQUARE. WE ALSO WILL HAVE WIRELESS INTERNET SOON AT PLAZA SALTILLO AND ALSO AT AUDITORIUM SHORES, SOON TO COME.

JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO WE HAD THE REOPENING OF THE CANTU RECREATIONAL CENTER. AND NOT ON OUR HIGHLIGHTS, BUT I WANTED TO MAKE MENTION THAT WE WERE ALSO THE RECIPIENT OF THE DOROTHY MULLEN ARTS AND MUMMANTIES AWARD BY THE TEXAS RECREATION AND PARKS SOCIETY THIS PAST WEEK AS WELL.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR 2004, PUBLIC PATRONS PERCEIVE SAFETY

AT 83%. NUMBER OF SUPERVISED YOUTH ACTIVITIES, 5,300 SUPERVISED YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN 2004. KEY GOALS FOR 2005, OFFER 30% OF COMMUNITY RECREATION PROGRAMS FREE. THIS PAST YEAR WE OFFERED 36% OF OUR PROGRAMS FREE. SERVE 147,000..... 147,000 MEALS TO SENIOR CITIZENS. WE SERVED 148,000. AND 24 ACRES OF PARKLAND TO A THOUSAND POPULATION. AND ON THE NEXT CHART YOU WILL SEE THAT WE ARE COMPLYING WITH THAT NATIONAL BENCHMARK AT 24.61 ACRES PER THOUSAND POPULATION. THIS DOES PLACE AMONG THE HIGHEST IN THE NATION OF ACRES OF PARKLAND PER CAPITA. THE NEXT BAR GRAPH SHOWS CITIZEN RANKING OF SAFETY IN PARKS, 83%. PERCEIVED SAFETY IN PARKS ALSO RATES US REAL HIGH IN THE NATION. F.T.E.'S PER HUNDRED ACRES AS THE CHIEF INDICATED IN HIS PRESENTATION, WE'RE AT 1.59 STAFF MEMBERS PER HUNDRED ACRES OF DEVELOPED PARKLAND. SO WITH THAT WE CONCLUDE OUR PRESENTATION AND I'LL BE HAPPY TO ENTERTAIN ANY QUESTIONS.

Mayor Wynn: COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS.

Thomas: COULD YOU EXPLAIN WHEN YOU SAY RECONSTRUCT THE ROWING PROGRAM, WHAT DID YOU DO AND ALSO MIDNIGHT BASKETBALL AND ELIMINATION OF OLD ST. JOHN'S RECREATION CENTER FUND.

YES, SIR. ON THE ROWING PROGRAM, WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO, COUNCILMEMBER, IS THIS WAS A CENTRALIZED PROGRAM. IT WAS PROVIDED BY ONE STAFF MEMBER. AND SINCE WE HAD A VAIK SI, THAT VACANCY WAS ELIMINATED. WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO IS SIMPLY WE'VE ALREADY GOT ALL THE EQUIPMENT, ALL THE CANOES, ALL THE PADDLES AND ALL THE YEAR AND ALL THE PFD'S AND SO FORTH NECESSARY TO DO THAT PROGRAM. WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE THAT PROGRAM OUT OF SOME RECREATION CENTERS THIS NEXT YEAR, COMAN CHAO, PAN AM, OTHER RECREATION CENTERS THAT WE CAN DECENTRALIZE THAT PROGRAM IN. YOUR NEXT QUESTION WAS?

Thomas: MIDNIGHT BASKETBALL.

YES, SIR. THAT'S A 75,000-DOLLAR CONTRACT. WE'RE NOT GOING TO ELIMINATE THE PROGRAM, SIMPLY GOING TO REDUCE THE PROGRAM BY 25,000. WE'RE GOING TO ASSIST JAMES IN THE PROGRAM. WE'RE GOING TO UTILIZE SOME OF OUR STAFF TO ENSURE THAT THE YOUNG MEN BETWEEN 18 AND 25 CONTINUE TO HAVE THE SAME SERVICE LEVEL.

Thomas: AND THE OLD ST. JOHN'S RECREATION.

THE 13,000?

Thomas: YES, SIR.

THAT'S THE OLD CENTER THAT BURNED DOWN, COUNCILMEMBER. AND THAT 13,000 WAS IDENTIFIED TO THAT CENTER AS UTILITIES.

Thomas: OKAY. AND THAT'S IN -- (INDISCERNIBLE).

NO, SIR, IT NEVER DID.

Thomas: OKAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: THANK YOU, FOR THAT PRESENTATION. AND NOTING SOME OF THE FACILITIES THAT HAVE COME ONLINE, THE PAN AM REC CENTER. AND REALLY WANTED TO JUST ASK YOU TO REPORT A LITTLE BIT ON MOVING FORWARD WITH THE EXPANSION AT LEAST OF THE METZ RECREATION CENTER WHICH I THINK IS GOING TO GO OUT FOR BID IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. SO WE MAY OR MAY NOT SEE US GO TO CONSTRUCTION JUST YET, BUT THAT CONTINUES TO BE IN THE PLANNING STAGES AND THEN ALSO -- AND ALSO MOVING FORWARD WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER. I BELIEVE ALSO IT'S GOING TO GO OUT FOR KIDS IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. SO I THINK THOSE ARE -- IN ADDITION TO EVERYTHING YOU'RE DOING ALREADY AND REALLY I THINK YOU'VE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB OF TAKING ON NEW CHALLENGES AND NEW PROGRAMS AND NEW SERVICES WITH ACTUALLY A MORE LIMITED BUDGET, THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, BECAUSE LIKE I SAY, WE HAVE HAD SOME

INCREDIBLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OVER THE LAST YEAR EVEN THOUGH WE'RE OPERATING WITH LESS RESOURCES THAN WE WERE A YEAR AGO. AND SO I DO WANT TO COMMEND YOU FOR THAT. AND ALSO WE LOOK TOWARDS THE FUTURE IN TERMS OF SOME ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR THE COMMUNITY THAT WILL BE COMING ONLINE THROUGH OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT SERVICES. I GUESS I SHOULD MENTION THE CARVER CULTURAL CENTER AS WELL, WHICH IS GOING TO BE ACTUALLY OPENING IN A FEW MONTHS. SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT PARTICULAR FACILITY, BUT ALL THESE OBVIOUSLY I THINK ARE VERY IMPORTANT ADDITIONS TO OUR PARKS AND RECREATION SYSTEMS.

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. THE FUTURE IS INDEED BRIGHT. WE'RE ON THE UPTICK. WE'VE GOT A NUMBER OF FACILITIES COMING ON BOARD IN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS WHICH I THINK IS EXTREMELY EXCITING. THE METZ RECREATION CENTER, AND WE'RE 95% COMPLETE ON OUR CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS AND WE WILL SOON BE READY FOR BID. THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER AS WELL WILL BE BIDDABLE IN JUST A FEW MONTHS AND READY TO GO. WE'RE WORKING ON THE O AND M MONEYS .. AS YOU'RE AWARE OF TO PREPARE FOR THAT AS WELL. WHAT I FAILED TO MENTION WAS THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PAVILION AND DEDICATION OF THE PAVILION AT FIESTA GARDENS ON THE WEST END WHICH HAS SERVED US TO WELL AND IS GOING TO SERVE CONTINUALLY IN THE FUTURE TO THE CITIZENS WHO USE FIESTA GARDENS. BUT THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT.

Alvarez: AND ADDRESS THE CARVER CULTURAL CENTER.

YES, THE MUSEUM. I TALKED ABOUT IN MY PRESENTATION, IT WILL BE COMING ON BOARD IN OCTOBER. WE ARE HIRING THE STAFF EFFECTIVE OCTOBER AND GETTING THEM ON BOARD, ORIENTED AND TRAINED. WE LOOK TO HAVE THE FACILITY OPEN IN OCTOBER AND THEN WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR A GRAND OPENING, A GALA OPENING IN FEBRUARY DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN FEBRUARY. SO WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT THAT AS WELL. SO THAT'S COMING

AROUND THE CORNER.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS?

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. OKAY. YOU JUST MENTIONED BRIEFLY AND DESCRIBED THE CHALLENGES ON WHAT I JUST CALLED SORT OF THE RAW MAINTENANCE OF OUR PARKS. I PROBABLY HEAR MORE GENERAL CONCERN ABOUT JUST MOWING THE GRASS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. OBVIOUSLY THESE HAVE BEEN VERY DIFFICULT BUDGET YEARS FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT AND I REMIND PEOPLE THAT THAT'S LITERALLY ONE AREA WHERE YOU CAN VISUALLY SEE OUR BUDGET STRAIN. CAN YOU TALK ABOUT HOW YOU'RE TRYING TO PERHAPS REALLOCATE RESOURCES AND DEAL WITH THEM?

THE PARK OPERATION SIDE OF THE, THEY WERE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. WHAT WE'RE DOING IS AS WE INDICATED, WE'VE MADE IN ROADS IN LEVERAGING OTHER OPPORTUNITIES. CITY MANAGER, WITH HER HELP WE'VE GOT THE DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT, WHICH HAS JOINED US IN WORKING ON OUR RIGHT-OF-WAYS, OUR MEDIANS AND TRIANGLES. IT'S A MAJOR AREA THAT TOOK A REDUCTION, THE QUALITY OF OUR STREETS. AND I THINK WE'RE TRYING TO LEVERAGE AND I THINK VERY SUCCESSFULLY WITH GREG TOOMEY AND THE COMMUNITY COURT. OTHER THINGS WE'RE DOING IS THAT OBVIOUSLY WE'VE GOT TO WORK SMARTER WITH RESPECT TO EQUIPMENT. WE'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE IT'S EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE AND MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO TARGET THOSE AREAS THAT ARE SERVING THE MOST OF OUR NEEDS. OUR BALL FIELDS, OUR ATHLETIC FIELDS, OUR MAJOR PARKS, AUDITORIUM SHORE. SO WE'RE TARGETING BETTER OUR AREAS THAT REALLY NEED THAT MAINTENANCE AND WE'RE LEAVING SOME OF OUR PARKS A LITTLE MORE NATURAL IN SOME AREAS, OBVIOUSLY. THOSE AREAS THAT ARE NOT NECESSARILY HEAVILY ATTENDED, WE'LL LEAVE THOSE A LITTLE MORE NATURAL AND WE'LL SPEND OUR TIME MORE ON THE DEVELOPED ACRES THAT SERVE THE MAJORITY OF OUR NEEDS.

Mayor Wynn: FAIR ENOUGH. THANK YOU. ANY FURTHER

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: I HAD A NOTE FROM ONE OF OUR CITIZENS TO PLEASE EXPLAIN WHAT AN F.T.E. IS.

FULL TIME EQUIVALENT.

Dunkerley: A FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT. THIS COULD BE ONE POSITION OR TWO HALF-TIME POSITIONS OR THREE-QUARTERS POSITION.

Mayor Wynn: OR HALF OF A PERSON WORKING DOUBLE TIME, RIGHT? [LAUGHTER]

ON OCCASION, RIGHT.

Dunkerley: IT WOULD BE THE NEW LANGUAGE. I THOUGHT I WOULD AT LEAST ANNOUNCE THAT. IT'S NOT JUST YOU. WE'VE ALL SAID IT ALL DAY LONG. THANKS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU ALL.

Futrell: WE HAVE ONE LAST PRESENTATION. LET'S LET THEM CATCH UP WITH US IN THE POWERPOINT IN WE CAN.

THANK YOU. >

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, THE NEXT DEPARTMENT IS THE COMMUNITY CARE DEPARTMENT: THIS PRESENTATION WILL BE PRESENTED A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY, BUT A LOT OF THE INFORMATION THAT WAS INCLUDED IN OTHER PRESENTATION WILL BE IN A CERTAIN -- IN THE SECOND SESSION OF THIS PRESENTATION. WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU IN THREE SECTIONS. THE FIRST WILL BE A HISTORY THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S CONTRIBUTION TO HEALTH CARE. THE SECOND AREA WILL BE COMMUNITY CARE'S PROPOSED BUDGET TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. EARLIER THIS MONTH A PROPOSED DRAFT BUDGET WAS SUBMITTED FOR EXPLAINING WHAT THE COSTS WOULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH OPERATING THE CLINICS TO THE HOSPITAL BOARD. AND THEN LEGAL REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT ITSELF. A LITTLE HISTORY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

IN THE 18... 1880'S, THE CITY AND COUNTY ESTABLISHED THE CITY-COUNTY HOSPITAL. IN 1915 THE CITY ASSUMED FULL OWNERSHIP OF BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL. IN THE 1970'S, THE CITY STARTED FUNDING PRIMARY CARE CLINICS TO HELP OFFSET THE INDIGENT CARE BURDEN PLACED ON THE OH IS AND CREATED THE MEDICAL -- ON THE HOSPITAL AND CREATED THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. IN 1998 BASED ON PHYSICIAN SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY DEMAND, THE CITY ESTABLISHED AND FUNDED CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. IN THE 1880'S AND EARLY -- 1980'S AND EARLY 1990'S, THE HEALTH CARE CLIMATE WAS CHANGING. MANY HOSPITALS WERE EITHER PURCHASED OR JOINED LARGER NETWORKS BECAUSE OF THE RISING HEALTH CARE AND OPERATING COSTS. BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL CONTINUED TO EXPERIENCE RISING DEBT. THE GENERAL FUND SUBSIDIZED THE HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE FUND BY 92.3 MILLION OVER A 10-YEAR PERIOD. BECAUSE BRACKENRIDGE WAS PUBLIC, OTHER HOSPITALS IN THE AREA HAD A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE. WE EXPLORED SEVERAL OPTIONS DURING THIS TIME AND DECIDED THAT THE LEASE WAS OUR BEST ALTERNATIVE. THERE WERE FOUR MAJOR OBJECTIVES WE WERE LOOKING FOR IN A LEASE AT THAT TIME. ONE WAS TO KEEP THE HOSPITAL OPEN AND VIABLE. SECOND WAS TO MAINTAIN HEALTH CARE SAFETY NET WITH SPECIFIC SERVICES. LIMIT THE CITY'S EXPOSURE FOR INCREASING CHARITY CARE COSTS AND HOSPITAL OPERATIONS AND MAINTAIN PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY. A LITTLE ABOUT OUR LEASE HISTORY. IN 1995 WE ENTERED INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY HEALTH SERVICES OF AUSTIN SETON. THE LEASE HAS SINCE BEEN AMENDED TWO TIMES, THE FIRST AMENDMENT WAS THE AUSTIN WOMEN'S HOSPITAL, SECOND AMENDMENT WAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF AUSTIN. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THESE AMENDMENTS PROVIDED US AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN THE LEASE IN EACH CASE. THE INITIAL LEASE WITH SETON WAS A 30-YEAR LEASE WITH 30-YEAR EXTENSION, FIXED CHARITY COST, PHYSICIAN SERVICE AND M.A.P. HOSPITAL SERVICE PAYMENTS. THE CITY HOSPITAL OPERATIONS WAS ELIMINATED AS SETON INCREASES RISK AND VOLUME. ARRANGEMENTS WERE ESTABLISHED WHERE THE CLINICS RECEIVE 16%, SETON 37% AND THE CITY 46%. THIS -- THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF TALK ABOUT THIS AND I

THINK IT'S IMPORTANT AT THIS POINT THAT I GIVE AN EXPLANATION OF EXACTLY WHAT DISPRO IS AND WHAT IT REPRESENTS. DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE PAYMENTS ARE RETROSPECTIVE PAYMENTS REIMBURSED TO HOSPITALS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR EXPENSES THEY HAVE ALREADY INCUR FOR TREATING A DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE OF MEDICAID AND MEDICARE PATIENTS. REGULAR MEDICAID AND MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENTS RATES ARE CONSIDERED AS INADEQUATE TO HOSPITALS THAT SERVE A GREATER DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF MEDICARE AND MEDICAID PATIENTS. DISPRO PAYMENTS ATTEMPT TO REDUCE THIS REIMBURSEMENT IN EQUITY. ALTHOUGH THE LEASE WITH SETON WAS A GREAT ADVANTAGE TO THE CITY, THERE WAS STILL SOME REMAINING EXPOSURES WITH THAT LEASE. SETON HAS THE ABILITY TO DISCONTINUE THE CONTRACT WITH A FIVE-MILLION-DOLLAR PENALTY. THE CITY HAD TO REMAIN PREPARED TO ABSORB START-UP COSTS IF WE HAD TO ONCE AGAIN OPERATE THE HOSPITAL IF SETON BROKE THE LEASE. DISPRO WAS RELATIVELY NEW AT THE TIME AND THERE WAS NO WAY TO REASONABLY FORECAST HOW LONG IT WOULD CONTINUE. SOME CITY EMPLOYEES AND THEIR BENEFITS WERE STILL CARRIED BY THE CITY AT THE TIME. THE FIRST AMENDMENT WAS -- THE FIRST AMENDMENT WAS THE AUSTIN WOMEN'S HOSPITAL. UNDER THE FIRST LEASE AMENDMENT, SETON WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSTRUCTING A STAND ALONE HOSPITAL ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF BRACKENRIDGE. THIS ALLOWED REPRODUCTIVE SERVICES TO CONTINUE AT BRACKENRIDGE WITHOUT CONFLICT WITH THE ETHICAL AND RELIGIOUS DOCTRINE. THIS WAS A SIGNIFICANT ENHANCEMENT BECAUSE A MAJOR COMPONENT OF REPRODUCTIVE SERVICES IN THIS COMMUNITY WAS NO LONGER AT RISK. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

IN EFFECT ESTABLISHING A \$50 MILLION RESERVE. IT ENSURED THAT WE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE DISPRO AT THE CURRENT LEVELS. THE \$50 MILLION PROVISION MADE IT FAR MORE DIFFICULT FOR SETON TO BREAK THE LEASE. SPECIFICALLY, WE REQUIRED -- THE LEASE REQUIRES SETON TO PAY \$50 MILLION IF THEY BREAK THE LEASE. THIS PROVIDES AN OPERATING RESERVE SHOULD THE CITY OR THE DISTRICT HAVE TO TAKE BACK THE OPERATION OF

BRACKENRIDGE. THIS AMENDMENT ELIMINATES ONE OF THE GREATEST EXPOSURES I TALKED ABOUT THAT WAS REMAINING IN THE '95 LEASE, THAT WAS SETON'S ABILITY TO WALK AWAY. EARLIER IT WOULD HAVE TOOK, IN '95, 5 MILLION IF THEY BROKE THE LEASE. IT'S NOW 50 MILLION. IN 2004 VOTERS DESIRED TO CREATE THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT TO ADDRESS OUR GROWING HEALTH CARE NEEDS. THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS WAS APPOINTED AS OF JULY 29th, 2004 AND IS NOW DULY ESTABLISHED. THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER, ADOPT AND RECOMMEND A BUDGET TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THIS -- IN AUGUST OF 2004. THIS MONTH. THE HOSPITAL BOARD, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE, THE HOSPITAL BOARD BEGINS THIS ERA WITH A SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS THAT WILL TRANSFER FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN. THERE WERE THINGS THAT WE DID THAT ISY.. THINK IS GOING TO CERTAIN HELP THIS HOSPITAL DISTRICT TO BE SUCCESSFUL. THE FIRST IS BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL AND THE PLAINTIFFS ARE UNENCUMBERED WITH DEBT TO THE DISTRICT. IN 1995, WE SPENT 56.4 MILLION TO -- TO RELIEVE THE GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT THAT WAS IN PLACE. MAJOR EQUIPMENT PURCHASES IN THE CLINICS WERE MADE THROUGH A PURCHASE AND NOT LEASED OR BONDED. CURRENT AND ANNUAL DISPRO RELATED REVENUE STREAMS REMAIN CURRENTLY AT ABOUT 13.2 MILLION. CHARITY CARE FOR ALL RESIDENTS WHO COME TO ANY SETON FACILITY IS ANOTHER BENEFIT. SETON IS REQUIRED TO INVEST 50 MILLION IN EQUIPMENT, IN BRACKENRIDGE, OVER A 20 YEAR PERIOD. ONE OF THE REASONS RESERVES ARE ESTABLISHED ARE TO COVER CAPITAL COSTS. SETON HAS ESTABLISHED THIS HOSPITAL RESERVE FOR THE DISTRICT THROUGH THE LEASE THAT WE RECEIVED -- THAT WE AGREED TO WITH THEM. IF SETON BREACHES THE LEASE, THE DISTRICT WILL RECEIVE \$50 MILLION AS AN OPERATING RESERVE. THE STABILITY OF UTMB OPERATING THE WOMEN'S HOSPITAL IS ANOTHER BENEFIT WITH THE EXPERIENCE THEY BRING THAT I SPOKE ABOUT EARLIER. THROUGH THE NEGOTIATIONS OF THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF AUSTIN, WE RAISE THE FINANCIAL CAP FOR -- WE RAISE THE FINANCIAL CAP FOR THE AUSTIN WOMEN'S HOSPITAL. THIS WAS A NEW HOSPITAL. IN THE EVENT THERE WERE COST OVERRUNS, SETON WOULD BEAR MOST OF THE

EXPENSE. THE FINANCIAL BENEFITS THAT THE CITY OBTAINS OBTAINING FQHC STATUS IS WORTH 50 MILLION ANNUALLY, NOT TO MENTION THAT OUR CLINICS ARE RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE BEST PRACTICES MODEL IN THE COUNTRY. A HISTORY OF SUCCESSFUL GRANTS, THIS SOUND TRACK RECORD POSITIONS THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN FUTURE GRANTS. OUR CLASS A PHARMACY DISPENSING ALLOWED US TO AVOID APPROXIMATELY ONE MILLION IN PHARMACEUTICAL COSTS FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND AVOID -- IN EXCESS -- AN EXCESS ONE MILLION INVESTMENT IN STAFF, EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES. THE CITY WILL PROVIDE CENTRALIZED, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AT NO COSTS DURING THE TERM OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. THE CITY IS WILLING TO SERVE AS FISCAL AGENT FOR THE DISTRICT FOR THE FIRST YEAR. WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE DISTRICT TO BANK ITS ENTIRE RESERVE AND OPERATE DEBT-FREE. AT THIS POINT WE WOULD LIKE TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE CITY'S LEGACY. BY SPENDING EVERY DIME OF THE CITY'S FEDERAL AND STATE HEALTH CARE FUNDS, STATE TOBACCO FUNDS, AND HOSPITAL AND CLINIC EARNED REVENUE, WEREN'T ENOUGH TO COVER THE CITY'S EXPENDITURES IN HEALTH CARE OVER THE LAST 25 YEARS. EVERYTHING THAT WE SPENT WAS NOT ENOUGH TO COVER EXPENDITURES OVER THE LAST 25 YEARS. THERE WAS A -- WHEN YOU ADD UP ALL OF THAT, THERE WAS A \$630 MILLION GAP AND IT WAS THE CITIZENS OF AUSTIN THAT CLOSED THIS HOLE, NOT JUST FOR THEMSELVES, BUT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF TRAVIS COUNTY AND ALL OF CENTRAL TEXAS AS WELL. BECAUSE, REMEMBER, WHETHER YOU WERE RECOVERED BY M.A.P. OR NOT, IF YOU CAME TO OUR CLINICS OR TO SETON EMERGENCY ROOM, AND YOU NEEDED MEDICAL CARE, WE SERVED YOU REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU LIVED IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN OR NOT. REMEMBER IT WAS THE CITY OF AUSTIN THAT OBSERVED -- THAT ABSORBED THIS EXPENSE. AT THIS POINT I WOULD LIKE TO TURN THE PRESENTATION OVER TO TRISH YOUNG.

GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS TRISH YOUNG, I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN. I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE TWO OF MY STAFF WHO ARE WITH ME

TODAY, WHO HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING US PREPARE NOT ONLY OUR BUDGET FOR THIS NEXT YEAR, BUT ALSO REALLY HELPING WITH THIS TRANSITION TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. WE HAVE GOT QUITE A PROJECT IN FRONT OF US. I WANTED TO GO OVER A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHERE WE ARE TODAY AND WHAT WE ARE PRESENTING TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS FOR OPERATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR '05. WHAT WE ARE LOOKING AT TODAY IN TERMS OF SERVICES. WE OPERATE THE AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS, WE COMMONLY REFER TO THEM IN MULTIPLE WAYS, SOMETIMES WE CALL THEM THE CLINICS, SOMETIMES THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS OR CHC'S, AS CHIEF McDONALD MENTIONED OFTEN THE FQHC, THEY ALL MEAN THE SAME THING. IN ADDITION, WE OPERATE THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. AND I WANT TO MENTION THAT WE OPERATE BOTH THE CLINICS AS WELL AS THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS ON BEHALF OF BOTH THE CITY OF AUSTIN AS WELL AS TRAVIS COUNTY. WE ALSO MANAGE THE HOSPITAL LEASES WITH SETON AND UTMB AND WE ADMINISTER CERTAIN COMMUNITY CONTRACTS FOR THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL CARE. I WANT TO GO OVER WITH YOU A FEW OF OUR CURRENT ISSUES THAT WE FACED BECAUSE THEY ARE IMPORTANT IN -- IN THE -- AS A BACK DROP TO HOW WE PREPARED OUR PROPOSED BUDGET FOR '05. WE HAVE BEEN TALKING WITH MEMBERS OF OF THE HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE LAST YEAR, AT MINIMUM, ABOUT THE CAPACITY THAT WE ARE -- CAPACITIES WE ARE EXPERIENCING IN THE CLINICS, AS WELL AS THE INCREASING ENROLLMENT IN THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND ALSO THE -- THE DIFFICULTIES THAT WE'VE HAD WITH THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE TRYING TO ACCESS OUR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AS WELL AS ACCESS CLINIC SERVICES AND THE FACT THAT THE ELIGIBILITY PROCESS IS REALLY CHALKED FULL. THERE ARE MANY MORE PEOPLE TRYING TO GET IN THAN WE CAN ACTUALLY PUT THROUGH THE ELIGIBILITY PROCESS AND DETERMINE WHETHER THEY ARE ELIGIBLE. WE HAVE BEEN TRACKING STACK STICKS FOR THE LAST SEVERAL MONTH -- STATISTICS FOR THE LAST FEW MONTHS. WE HAVE BEEN MONITORING THE ACTUAL CALL ATTEMPTS INTO OUR SYSTEM FOR ELIGIBILITY, FOR AN ELIGIBILITY APPOINTMENT.

NOT A CLINIC SERVICE, BUT JUST AN ELIGIBILITY APPOINTMENT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY DO QUALIFY FOR SERVICES. OUR SYSTEM LOGGED 250,000 ATTEMPTED CALLS. THAT'S NOT UNDUPLICATED. THAT COULD BE THE SAME PEOPLE TRYING OVER AND OVER AGAIN. WHAT THAT MEANS IS THEY TRIED TO CALL AND COULDN'T GET THROUGH. SO THEY HAD TO HANG UP AND CALL BACK AGAIN. OF THOSE ATTEMPTED CALLS -- ABOUT 10,000, LESS THAN 10,000 ACTUALLY ENTERED THE QUEUE WHERE THEY COULD THEN BE TAKEN ONE BY ONE. WE SERVICED LESS THAN HALF OF THOSE CALLS, MANY OF THEM HUNG UP BECAUSE OF THE WAIT TIMES. WE DID PROCESS THE REMAINING CALLS. A TYPICAL CALL TAKES ABOUT THREE TO FIVE MINUTES TO PROCESS, BUT THE AVERAGE WAIT TIME IN JUNE WAS ABOUT 30 MINUTES BEFORE WE COULD ACTUALLY ROSE THAT CALL. THIS -- PROCESS THAT CALL. THIS SORT OF AS A BACK DROP TO THE -- TO THE EVER INCREASING ENROLLMENT INTO THE CLINIC SYSTEM, AS YOU KNOW, IF SOMEONE ENROLLS IN THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, THEN THEY AUTOMATICALLY BECOME A PATIENT OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER. IF THEY ARE SCREENED AND ELIGIBLE AS WHAT WE CALL A SLIDING FEE SCALE PATIENT OR A SELF PAID PATIENT, THEN THEY ALSO ARE ENROLLED IN THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER SYSTEM. FROM APRIL OF 2001 TO APRIL OF 2004, OUR ENROLLMENT OF THOSE SLIDING FEE SCALE PATIENTS, SELF PAID PATIENTS INCREASED 92%, ALMOST DOUBLED. THE INCREASED COMPTITION -- COMPTITION FOR LIMITED, I DON'T MEAN SMALL NUMBER OF APPOINTMENTS, BUT ACTUALLY JUST A LIMITED NUMBER OF APPOINTMENTS HAS LED TO INCREASE IN REFERRALS TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM FOR NON-EMERGENCY PATIENTS. IN OTHER WORDS WE CAN'T GET THEM IN, THEY NEED TO BE SEEN AND WE WERE FULL OR THEY WERE A NEW PATIENT TRYING TO GET INTO THE SAMD WE CAN'T GET THEM PROCESSED AND APPOINTED SO THEIR HEALTH CARE NEEDS CAN BE TAKEN CARE OF. THEY MAY BE REFERRED TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM. THE OTHER EFFECT THAT THIS HAS IS WE ARE NOT PRACTICING THE MEDICINE FOR WHICH WE WERE DESIGNED TO DO. THAT'S PREVENTIVE AND MAINTENANCE. GOING BACK TO MR. LURIE'S DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW A FOCUS ON PREVENTIVE HEALTH KEEPS OUR COMMUNITY HEALTHIER

AND IMPROVES HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR OUR PATIENT. WE ARE VERY MUCH FOCUSED ON ACUTE CARE, STRUGGLING TO PROVIDE ONGOING CARE FOR CHRONIC CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE TYPE OF ACTIVITIES. THE -- AT THE SAME TIME PERIOD THAT I MENTIONED, THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM HAS OPERATED AT OR ABOUT 100% OF CAPACITY. MEANING IF WE HAD 100 VISITS ON THE TEMPLATE, WE SAW 100 PEOPLE IN THOSE 100 VISIT SLOTS. SO WE MEASURE THAT ON AN ONGOING BASIS, WE CONTINUE TO OPERATE AT OR ABOVE 100%. WE COMPARE OURSELVES TO OTHER FQHC'S AROUND THE NATION, WE ARE CONSIDERED AN URBAN FQHC. WE COMPARE VERY FAVORABLY TO OTHER CENTERS AROUND THE NATION. OUR MOST RECENT STATISTICS SHOW AS 12 PERCENT, NATIONAL URBAN AVERAGE. OUR PRIOR STATISTIC WAS [INDISCERNIBLE], IT SHOWS IT AGAIN, WE ARE SEEING MORE AND MORE INDIVIDUAL WITH THE SAME NUMBER OF STAFF. THIS IS ALSO IN LIGHT OF THE OTHER SAFETY NET PROVIDERS IN THIS COMMUNITY. COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ REFERENCED INDIGENT CARE COLLABORATION. WE DO A CAPACITY REPORT EACH YEAR TO TRACK HOW WE ARE ALL DOING IN TERMS OF DEMAND IN CAPACITY. THE SYSTEM AS A WHOLE HAS BEEN OPERATING ABOVE 108%. -- I WANTED TO -- I WANTED TO TALK WITH YOU SPECIFICALLY ABOUT -- ABOUT SOME POLICY ISSUES REGARDING THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THE -- IN LIFE THE DISTRICT COMING TO BE, WE -- WE HAVE -- WE HAVE -- THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD HAS BEFORE IT A MATTER TO CONSIDER, THAT IS THE DIFFERENCES IN THE M.A.P. PROGRAM AND HOW THEY ARE OPERATED BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE CITY. THERE ARE SOME DIFFERENCE IN WHAT WE CALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH OF THOSE PROGRAMS. IT WILL -- BECAUSE THE TRAVIS COUNTY DISTRICT IS NOW TRAVIS COUNTY AND NOT THE CITY OR THE COUNTY, IT MUST COME ONE A SINGLE PROGRAM TO APPLY FOR ALL OF ITS CITIZENS. RIGHT NOW BOTH THE CITY AND THE COUNTY, WITH THE SEPARATE SYSTEMS, RESIDENTS WITH INCOMES UP TO 200% OF POVERTY CURRENTLY ACCESS OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE CENTERS. SO REGARDLESS OF THEIR MAP STATUS OR THE MEDICAID STATUS OR ANY PAYOR STATUS, IF YOU WERE UP TO 200% OF POVERTY, YOU OTHERWISE MEET OUR

REQUIREMENTS, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICES IN OUR CLINIC SYSTEM, THAT IS WELL FOR THE CITY AS WELL AS THE COUNTY. IN TERMS OF M.A.P., REMEMBER THAT IT IS BASICALLY A BENEFITS PROGRAM. YOU ENROLL AND YOU ARE ENTITLED TO A CERTAIN LEVEL OF BENEFITS THAT EITHER THE CITY OR THE COUNTY PAYS FOR. THE CITY AND COUNTY HAVE CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS. IT NOT EXACTLY AN INSURANCE PLAN BECAUSE WE ARE NOT AN INSURANCE PLAN OPERATOR, BUT YOU MIGHT LIKEN IT TO YOUR OWN PARTICIPATION IN AN HMO OR PPO. THERE ARE DIFFERENCES IN THE ELIGIBILITY BETWEEN THE CITY AND COUNTY PROGRAMS IN TERMS OF WHO CAN QUALIFY FOR THAT MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COVERAGE. IN THE COUNTY -- THE COUNTY COVERS ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS UP TO 100% OF POVERTY. IF THEY ARE BETWEEN --

Slusher: EXCUSE ME, MAYOR. DOES THAT -- WHEN YOU SAY ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS, ARE YOU INCLUDING PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN OR JUST LIVE OUTSIDE THE CITY OF AUSTIN?

IT'S PRESUMED OUTSIDE THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

Slusher: SO UNDER THEIR TERMS, BECAUSE I'VE HEARD YOU SAY THEY DON'T HAVE A CAP, BUT THEY ACTUALLY DO. BECAUSE NO ONE THAT ACTUALLY LIVES INSIDE THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS ELIGIBLE, IS THAT CORRECT?

THAT'S CORRECT. IF A PERSON COMES INTO THE SYSTEM, IF A PERSON WERE TO GO TO THE COUNTY AND THEY -- THEY ARE ACTUALLY A CITY RESIDENT, THEY WOULD BE REFERRED OVER TO THE CITY PROGRAM, THAT'S CORRECT.

Slusher: I WOULD JUST NOTE THAT THIS IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THE TAX INEQUITY SITUATION THAT WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT IN THIS AND OTHER ISSUES, BUT ROUGHLY 75% OF THE TAXES THAT GO TO THE COUNTY ARE PAID BY CITY RESIDENTS AND OF COURSE 100% OF THE TAXES THAT GO TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN ARE PAID BY CITY RESIDENTS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOME SALES TAX PERHAPS, OR OTHER FEES THAT PEOPLE MIGHT PAY. BUT SO 75% OF WHAT THE COUNTY GETS IS COMING FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN

RESIDENTS. BUT SAY THEY HAVE NO CAP BUT THEY ARE EXCLUDED, EVERYONE THAT LIVES IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WE ARE ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS AND COUNTY TAXPAYERS.

Mayor Wynn: MS. YOUNG, SO FOLKS WHO LIVE IN TRAVIS COUNTY BUT HAPPEN TO LIVE INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS, WHEN THEY WOULD VISIT A CLINIC, PROBABLY NOT KNOWING WHETHER IT'S INSIDE THE CITY OR NOT, OBVIOUSLY STILL IN TRAVIS COUNTY, THEY WOULDN'T BE TREATED? THEY WOULD BE SENT TO A CLINIC INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS?

THE WAY THE SYSTEM WORKS NOW, IT'S A TWO STEP PROCESS. FIRST OF ALL, THEY WOULD BE REFERRED FOR ELIGIBILITY. IN OTHER WORDS THEY DON'T TYPICALLY COME TO THE CLINIC FIRST. THEY REFER TO THE ELIGIBILITY PROCESS TO DETERMINE WHERE THEY SHOULD ENROLL. IF THEY ARE A RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WE WOULD TAKE THEM THROUGH THE CITY OF AUSTIN ELIGIBILITY PROCESS AND ENROLL THEM, IF THEY WERE QUALIFIED, ENROLL THEM INTO THE M.A.P. OR IF NOT ENROLL THEM AS A SELF PAID PATIENT AND THEN THEY WOULD BE REFERRED OR ASSIGNED TO A CITY CLINIC. LIKEWISE, IF THEY ARE A RESIDENT OF TRAVIS COUNTY OUTSIDE THE CITY OF AUSTIN LIMITS, THEY ARE REFERRED TO THE COUNTY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM AND THEY ARE IN FACT TREATED IN THE COUNTY CLINIC SYSTEM. SO, YES, THEY ARE SEPARATE SYSTEMS PER SE IN TERMS OF ELIGIBILITY AND ASSIGNMENT. WE OPERATE THEM AS A CLINIC SYSTEM AS A WHOLE.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY, THANK YOU.

CONTRASTING THE COUNTY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS TO THE CITY, THE CITY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ALLOWS INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE U.S. PERMANENT RESIDENTS, THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A COUNTY RESIDENT OR A CITY RESIDENT AND BEING A U.S. PERMANENT RESIDENT, THE CITY ALLOWS U.S. PERMANENT RESIDENCE UP TO 100% OF POVERTY AND AGAIN IF THEY ARE ABOVE 100% BUT UNDER 200% WOULD BE ENROLLED AS A SAFE-PAID PATIENT. THE CITY COVERS UNDOCUMENTED AND HOMELESS, NON-PERMANENT RESIDENTS, UP TO 21% OF POVERTY, WHICH IS THE -- WHICH IS THE -- WHICH IS THE

COUNTY HEALTH CARE INDIGENT REQUIREMENT. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO COVER UP TO 21% AND THE CITY IS REQUIRED TO COVER UP TO 21% BECAUSE WE DO OWN A PUBLIC HOSPITAL. SO THE DIFFERENCE, AS YOU CAN SEE, IS BETWEEN THE UNDOCUMENTED AND THE HOMELESS AND THE COVERAGE BETWEEN -- ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE A COUPLE OF THINGS. I KNOW THAT I HAVE SAID THIS PROBABLY THREE TIMES AT LEAST, BUT I THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO REITERATE ONCE AGAIN. THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS SIMPLY A PROGRAM WHERE PEOPLE ACCESS BENEFITS. IT'S SIGNED TO BE, IT'S GOT ELIGIBILITY LIMITS, SO IT'S THEREFORE DESIGNED TO SERVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF PEOPLE. M.A.P. ELIGIBILITY OR M.A.P. ENROLLMENT AFFECTS THE AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS THAT ARE MADE TO -- TO BRACKENRIDGE OR SETON REPRESENTED TO THE CONTRACTS THAT WE HAVE WITH THEM BOTH THE CITY AND COUNTY FOR -- FOR THE PROVISION OF HOSPITAL AND OTHER SERVICES TO THAT -- TO THOSE M.A.P. ENROLLEES. IT DOES NOT IN ANY WAY AFFECT AN INDIVIDUAL'S ACCESS TO THE CLINIC SYSTEM. YOU ARE -- YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE SERVICES IN THE CLINIC SYSTEM. YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE SERVICES AT BRACKENRIDGE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CITY'S SPONSORSHIP IF YOU ARE UP TO 200% OF POVERTY. SO WE DO IN FACT SERVE ALL INDIVIDUALS, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY HAVE -- THEY QUALIFY FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR NOT. I WANT TO BRIEFLY GO OVER A FEW OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS OVER -- FROM FISCAL YEAR '04. I MENTIONED BEFORE WE ARE OPERATING AT 100% OF OUR CLINIC CAPACITY. WE HAVE SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED OUR PATIENT'S ACCESS TO FREE DRUG PROGRAMS, WHICH HAS HELPED US ADDITIONALLY OFFSET COSTS RELATED TO THE -- THE NUMBER AND COST OF PRESCRIPTIONS. WE ARE -- WE ARE AWARDED GRANTS, SO EXCITED ABOUT THESE GRANTS FOR THE REOPENING OF THE MONTOPOLIS CLINIC, WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO SERVE ANOTHER 5,000 PATIENTS, AS WELL AS A GRANT TO OPEN THE CLINIC AT THE NEW AUSTIN RESOURCE CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS. WE HAVE -- WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTING A NEW PATIENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, WHICH IS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND SERVICE

DELIVERY. WE ARE PARTICIPATING IN A [INDISCERNIBLE] IMPROVE HEALTH OUTCOMES WITH PATIENTS FOR DEPRESSION, AS MR. LURIE MENTIONED EARLIER, ALSO A STRONG PARTICIPANTS IN THE STEPS GRANT COLLABORATIVE IN IMPLEMENTING THAT PROGRAM IN OUR CLINIC SYSTEM. OUR -- EARLIER IN THE SUMMER, COUNCIL APPROVED OUR NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR OUTSOURCING OF OUR CLASS A PHARMACY DISPENSING SERVICES, COST CONTAINMENT STRATEGY, TO TRY TO KEEP OUR COSTS WITHIN OUR CURRENT AFFORDABILITY. ONE SLIGHT CORRECTION TO -- TO A STATISTIC THAT THE CHIEF MENTIONED EARLIER. THE -- I SHOWED YOU A -- A SLIDE WITH A VALUE OF THE FQHC DESIGNATION. AS YOU CAN SEE, IT'S ALMOST 10.5 MILLION A YEAR. THIS IS OUR PROJECTION OF THE FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER STATUS FOR '05. THAT COMES FROM SEVERAL SOURCES. WE RECEIVE ENHANCED MEDICAID AND MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT. WE -- THE SECTION 330 GRANTS THAT I JUST MENTIONED THAT WE ARE AWARDED. THE FAVORABLE DRUG PRICING THAT WE RECEIVE, OUR ACCESS TO THE PATIENT ASSISTANCE, OTHER FREE DRUG PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS SAVINGS THAT WE -- THAT WE BENEFIT FROM, NOT HAVING TO PROVIDE OR ACTUALLY PAY FOR A PRIVATE MEDICAL MALPRACTICE COVERAGE FOR OUR PROVIDERS. SO THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AND REPRESENTS VALUE TO BOTH THE CITY OF AUSTIN AS WELL AS TRAVIS COUNTY BECAUSE THESE BENEFITS ACCRUE TO THEM AS FQHC CLINICS THAT ARE INCLUDED IN OUR UMBRELLA STATUS, SO TO SPEAK. A COUPLE OF -- A COUPLE OF BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS IN TERMS OF HOW WE PREPARE THIS BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR. OUR GOALS FOR '05 INCLUDE EXPANDING THE CAPACITY OF THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, WHICH -- WHICH AS YOU CAN -- AS YOU CAN SEE IN OUR NUMBER, BUT ALSO HAVE SEEN HISTORICALLY, WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED THAT THROUGH -- THROUGH ADDITIONAL FEDERAL GRANT DOLLARS. THERE HAVE NOT BEEN LOCAL DOLLARS, ADDITIONAL LOCAL DOLLARS AVAILABLE IN THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, SO WE HAVE GONE AFTER OTHER SOURCES TO EXPAND OUR CAPACITY. WE HAVE -- WE OF COURSE WANT TO MAINTAIN OUR CURRENT COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE -- COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER PATIENT

SATISFACTION RATING AS WELL AS OUR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SATISFACTION RATING TO -- AT 95%. OUR STRATEGIES FOR NEXT YEAR, INCLUDE A COURSE TRANSITIONING TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. WE ARE -- WE ARE RELYING ON OUR AVAILABILITY OF PRESCRIPTIONS AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR NEW COMMUNITY NETWORK TO HELP US CONTAIN OUR COSTS FOR NEXT YEAR. WE WILL IMPLEMENT OUR NEW TWO CLINIC SITES. WE BEGIN A VERY EXCITING PROJECT FOR THE -- FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ELECTRONIC CLINICAL RECORD, THIS IS A HUGE UNDERTAKING, IT'S GOING TO BE MULTIPLE YEARS, BUT WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL OUTCOMES THAT IT HAS FOR PATIENT CARE AS WELL AS EFFICIENCY OF SERVICE IN THE CLINIC. AND WE CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN URGENT CARE PROPOSAL, WHICH WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT IN RECENT YEARS AND HOPE TO HAVE SOMETHING THAT WE CAN BRING FORWARD TO THE DISTRICT. WHEN WE PREPARE OUR BUDGETS, WE LOOK AT OUR NUMBER OF FACTORS. WE DO TRENDING ON OUR HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE AROUND THE NUMBER OF VISITS THAT WE SEE, OUR PAYOR MIX, SOURCE OF FUND FROM OTHER PAYOR AGENCIES OTHER THAN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, ENROLLMENT LEVELS, HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE ENROLLED WHAT DO WE THINK THE DEMAND FOR SERVICES ARE GOING TO BE. WE INCORPORATE ANY KNOWN CHANGES SUCH AS NEW GRANTS, CHANGES TO THE REIMBURSEMENT RATES WHICH HAPPEN TYPICALLY ANNUALLY. OR CHANGES TO THE METHODOLOGIES. THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS WE'VE HAD CHANGES TO HOW WE ARE REIMBURSED BY CERTAIN OTHER STATE AGENCIES. WE LOOK AT INFLATIONARY TRENDS, MARKET TRENDS, THE COST OF STAFFING AND OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND THINGS THAT SUPPORT OUR OPERATIONS. WE LOOK, OF COURSE, PARTICULARLY AT ANY EXPECTED CONTRACTUAL INCREASES IN CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS. AND THEN WE ALSO ON AN ONGOING BASIS EVALUATE EMERGING TRENDS IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE, WHAT'S CHANGING IN BOTH THE TREATMENT AS WELL AS THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND HOW THAT IMPACTS OUR OPERATIONS. A FEW THINGS THAT NEED TO BE NOTED FOR NEXT YEAR. WE HAVE BROUGHT FORWARD A STANDARDIZED PROPOSAL TO STANDARDIZE OUR CO-PAY. TO A MINIMUM OF \$10 FOR -- FOR A PROVIDER

VISIT IN THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER. WE HAD IN THE PAST, I SHOULD NOTE THAT'S ONLY FOR PROGRAMS IN WHICH A CO-PAY IS ACTUALLY CHARGED. MANY OF OUR PROGRAMS IT'S NOT. MEDICAID PATIENTS DO NOT PAY CO-PAYS, OUR HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS DO NOT. WHERE ALLOWED IT'S INCREASED FROM \$8 TO \$10, NOT INCREASED IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS. THAT IS A BOARD POLICY THAT MUST BE APPROVED AND IT WAS APPROVED IN JULY. OUR MEDICAID AND MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT RATES WILL GO UP NEXT YEAR. THE NEXT SLIDE SHOWS YOU THE ELEMENTS THAT WE PRESENTED TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS LAST WEEK. AND WHAT THIS REPRESENTS IS THE AMOUNTS THAT -- THAT WERE PROVED THROUGH, WHAT I WILL REFER TO AS THE CITY NORMAL BUDGETING PROCESS. IN OTHER WORDS, WE PARTICIPATED IN THE CITY'S BUDGET PROCESS, WE BROUGHT FORWARD ALL OF OUR PROJECTIONS OF REVENUE, OUR PROJECTIONS OF EXPENDITURES, WE ASKED FOR SOME THINGS, SOME OF THOSE THINGS WERE APPROVED, OTHERS WERE PUT ON THE WAIT LIST I GUESS I'LL CALL IT. WHAT THIS REPRESENTS IS WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN APPROVED THROUGH THE NORMAL CITY BUDGETING PROCESS. THIS IS WHAT WAS BROUGHT FORWARD TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD LAST WEEK. IN JUST A MOMENT, I WILL TAKE YOU TO THE NEXT PAGE WHICH IS THE LIST OF THINGS THAT DID NOT GET APPROVED BUT WE STILL HAVE GREAT FONDNESS FOR THEM AND HAVE BROUGHT THEM ALSO FORWARD TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD IN HOPES THAT THEY MIGHT CONSIDER THOSE ITEMS. BUT WHAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU IS WHAT WOULD HAVE, HAD YOU BEEN OPERATING THIS NEXT YEAR, WHAT I WOULD HAVE BROUGHT FORWARD TO YOU AND ASKED FOR YOUR APPROVAL. IT INCLUDES TOTAL USES OF 59,740,000 OR TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF \$49,740,000, AND SOURCES -- \$59,740,000 AND SOURCES OTHER THAN TAX REVENUES OF 29,458,000. IF YOU WILL NOTE ON THE FAR RIGHT COLUMN, THE FOURTH LINE FROM THE BOTTOM, 30,281,000. THAT REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT OF TAX REVENUE THAT WOULD BE NEEDED TO SUPPORT THIS OPERATION TO BRING IT TO BREAK EVEN. WE HAVE ESTIMATED WHAT THE -- THAT THE CITY PROPERTY TAX RATE PORTION -- THE CITY PORTION OF THE COMBINED TAX RATE APPLIED TO TRAVIS COUNTY AS A

WHOLE FOR '05, THE CITY'S PORTION OF THAT REPRESENTS \$37.6 MILLION. SO THERE'S -- WHAT WE ARE ESTIMATING IS THAT THERE'S \$37 MILLION ATTRIBUTABLE TO CITY OF AUSTIN SHARE OF THE TOTAL TRAVIS COUNTY TAX REVENUE FOR THE DISTRICT FOR NEXT YEAR. WE ARE ESTIMATING THAT THERE'S APPROXIMATELY 3 MILLION IN -- IN UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE THAT WOULD BE TRANSFERRED WITH THE CLINIC'S OR BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE CLINIC USE FROM THE CITY. SO THAT REFLECTS TOTAL -- A NET AVAILABLE OF -- IN EXCESS OF \$10 MILLION. OF THE 59.7 IN EXPENDITURES.

Futrell: THESE LAST THREE LINES I THINK ARE VERY IMPORTANT. I WANT TO BE SURE THAT EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS THIS. WHAT YOU ARE SAYING IS THAT WITH THE REVENUE SOURCES IN THE CLINIC, OUR TAX TRANSFERABLE TAX REVENUE THAT WILL GO TO THE DISTRICT AND THE 3 MILLION IN UNRESERVED BALANCE THAT WILL GO FORWARD IN RESERVE, THAT THERE WILL BE 10 MILLION AND THAT INCLUDES THE 3 MILLION RESERVE AVAILABLE FOR THE DISTRICT TO SPEND ON HEALTH CARE.

ON OTHER THINGS. THE OTHER THINGS THAT THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE, A COUPLE OF THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND, THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY -- THIS IS JUST THE CITY PORTION OF CURRENT HEALTH CARE EXPENDITURES, THESE FUND AS YOU HAVE DESCRIBED THEM WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO SPEND ON THINGS SUCH AS WHATEVER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT MIGHT INCUR. A RESERVE THAT THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT MIGHT ESTABLISH. OR ANY OTHER HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS THAT THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT WOULD -- WOULD ESTABLISH FOR ITS PURPOSES. AGAIN, THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE COUNTY PORTION OF THIS EQUATION. THIS ONLY REPRESENTS THE CITY.

THANK YOU, TRISH.

Alvarez: IF YOU COULD EXPLAIN THAT A LITTLE BIT. THIS IS OBVIOUSLY THE SHARE OF SERVICES, THAT THE CITY OPERATES OR ADMINISTERS THAT ARE BEING TRANSFERRED OVER SO WE SEE AN EXCESS OF 10 MILLION OR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES BEYOND I GUESS WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED FOR THE UPCOMING BUDGET YEAR. THEN --

THEN IN TERMS OF THE SHARE FROM THE -- FROM THE --
FROM THE TAX REVENUES THAT GENERATED FROM THE
COUNTY RESIDENTS, TRAVIS COUNTY RESIDENTS OUTSIDE
THE CITY LIMITS, THEN ARE -- THEN IS THERE -- IS THAT
ADDITIONAL REVENUE? OR ARE WE ASSUMING THAT -- THAT
THAT REVENUE WILL MATCH THE SERVICES THAT -- THAT
THE COUNTY HAS BEEN -- YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN? THE
REVENUE THAT -- THAT'S GENERATED FROM THE --

UH-HUH.

-- FROM THE -- FROM THE TRAVIS COUNTY --

Futrell: [INDISCERNIBLE] WILL COME HELP YOU.

Alvarez: FROM THE TRAVIS COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT AREN'T
IN THE CITY, HOW DOES THAT COMPARE VERSUS THE
ACTUAL AMOUNT OF -- OR EXPENDITURES THAT THE
COUNTY MAKES ON SERVICES.

UH-HUH. JOHN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE A STAB?

LET ME TRY TO TAKE A STAB AT THAT.

THIS IS THE TAX MAN HERE.

AGAIN, COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS
-- AS -- AS TRISH SAID, WE HAVE TAKEN ALL OF THE
SOURCES OF REVENUE, BESIDES PROPERTY TAX REVENUE
THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO US, INCLUDING SELF PAY,
MEDICAID, MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT, DISPRO FUNDS, SO
ON. GOTTEN THAT DOWN TO -- TO A TOTAL SOURCES OF 29.4
MILLION THAT YOU SEE THERE. THEN THE DIFFERENCE
THERE, THE 30.2 MILLION IS WHAT WOULD BE NEEDED FROM
PROPERTY TAX. THE NEXT LINE IS THE ESTIMATED
PROPERTY TAX THAT WILL BE GENERATED BY APPLYING
ONLY THE CITY'S TAX RATE, THE AMOUNT THAT WE EXPECT
TO REDUCE OUR TAX RATE BY, IN FISCAL YEAR '05, BECAUSE
OF THE CREATION OF THE DISTRICT. WE ARE APPLYING
THAT TO THE ENTIRE COUNTY ASSISTED VALUE, TO THE --
ASSESSED VALUE, TO THE ENTIRE HOSPITAL DISTRICT
ASSESSED VALUE. SO YOU SEE ESSENTIALLY JUST A --
COMPARING THOSE TWO NUMBERS, THE 30.2 MILLION AND

THE 37.6 MILLION, YOU SEE JUST FROM THOSE -- THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THOSE TWO NUMBERS RIGHT THERE, THE EXCESS OF SOME \$7 MILLION THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT, YOU KNOW, THROUGHOUT THE ELECTION PROCESS FOR THE DISTRICT THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO HELP THE DISTRICT BECAUSE WE ARE EXPANDING THE TAX RATE AND APPLYING THE CITY'S TAX RATE TO THAT. SO THAT'S -- THAT'S CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WE HAVE SAID ALL ALONG AND THEN, FURTHER, AS TRISH SAID, WE ARE -- WE ARE -- THE CITY HAS COMMITTED TO, IN ADDITION, TO TRANSFERRING ITS TAX RATE, WHICH OF COURSE WE WOULD HAVE TO DO UNDER STATE LAW, WE HAVE COMMITTED TO TRANSFERRING THE RESERVE OF 3 MILLION THAT BRINGS THAT TOTAL UP TO 10.3 MILLION.

Alvarez: I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY BECAUSE IT SAYS ESTIMATED CITY PROPERTY TAX REVENUE. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY IF THAT WAS BEING APPLIED COUNTY-WIDE.

YES, SIR, THAT'S CORRECT.

OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: SO IF SOMEONE COULD HELP ME THEN. ESSENTIALLY WE ARE SHOWING THAT -- THAT THERE IS A -- THERE IS A SEVEN MILLION SURPLUS, IF IT IS CLINICS -- IF THE CLINICS THAT ARE IN THE COUNTY, HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN RUN BY THE COUNTY, IF THEIR PORTION OF THE BUDGET WAS JUST BREAK EVEN, THAT IS WHATEVER WAS GOING TO BE BUDGET EXPENDITURE IN THOSE COUNTY CLINICS THIS YEAR, IF THE COUNTY THEN TRANSFERRED THEIR -- THEIR NET TAX RATE OR TAXES INTO THIS COMBINED SYSTEM, --

THERE SHOULD BE \$7 MILLION.

Mayor Wynn: RIGHT, THERE SHOULD BE \$10 MILLION IN AVAILABLE RESERVE.

Futrell: THAT'S RIGHT.

Mayor Wynn: NOT THE THREE THAT WE HAVE BEEN

OFFERING.

Futrell: OR 3 MILLION IN RESERVE AND 7 MILLION FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES. BUT YOU HAVE 10 MILLION DOLLAR WITH WHICH TO DECIDE ADDITIONAL RESERVES, MORE SERVICES, BUT A \$10 MILLION NET PLAY.

REMEMBER WHAT NEITHER THE CURRENT COUNTY OR THE COUNTY CITY NUMBERS INCLUDE ARE ANY ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FOR THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT.

Futrell: THINK ABOUT THE FACT THAT AS A NEW ENTITY THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CREATION OF A NEW ENTITY. JOHN, EARLY ON THAT COST WAS FIGURED IN ABOUT 1.2 MILLION.

THAT'S CORRECT.

Futrell: SO EVEN IF ALL OF THE COST OF THE CREATION OF THE NEW ENTITY CAME OUT OF THIS SURPLUS FROM OUR TRANSFERRED TAX RATE, YOU WOULD STILL BE SITTING ON A CHUNK OF CHANGE WITH WHICH TO EITHER PROVIDE NEW SERVICES OR GROW A RESERVE, A LARGER RESERVE.

Mayor Wynn: SO THAT BEGS THE QUESTION, IS THIS PROPOSED BUDGET THE PROPOSED BUDGET THAT THE NEW HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD WAS GIVEN A WEEK OR SO AGO?

THIS IS THE CITY COMPONENT OF THE BUDGET THAT WAS PRESENTED TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. THIS WAS JUST THE CITY COMPONENT ONLY.

Mayor Wynn: AT THAT PRESENTATION I GUESS THE COUNTY PRESENTED THE COUNTY PORTION OF IT.

WE DID MAKE A COMBINED PRESENTATION, WHICH HAD THE -- WHICH INCLUDED THE COUNTY COMPONENT. SO THERE'S A CORRESPONDING COUNTY COMPONENT, JUST LIKE THERE'S A SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY, THERE'S A SCHEDULE FOR THE COUNTY SO TO SPEAK.

Mayor Wynn: RIGHT. I GUESS MY QUESTION THEN IS DID THE

COMBINED CITY AND COUNTY BUDGET ALSO SHOW THIS APPROXIMATE \$7 MILLION SURPLUS?

IT DID NOT SHOW A SURPLUS THAT LARGE, MAYOR. FOR AT LEAST A COUPLE OF REASONS. ONE OF WHICH WAS THE ADMINISTRATIVE COST THAT THE CITY MANAGER REFERRED TO. THEN WE ALSO PRESENTED TO THE HOSPITAL BOARD SOME ENHANCEMENTS. THAT ARE NOT INCLUDED AS -- AS TRISH SAID, WHEN SHE WENT THROUGH THIS BUDGET, THIS IS THE BUDGET THAT THE CITY WOULD HAVE ADOPTED AFTER GOING THROUGH OUR -- THROUGH OUR BUDGET PROCESS. IN ADDITION, WE PRESENTED TRISH APPROXIMATELY 900,000, BETWEEN 900,000 AND A MILLION WORTH OF ENHANCEMENTS.

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932,000 ON THE CITY'S SIDE THAT WAS INCLUDE UNDERSTAND THAT PRESENTATION -- INCLUDED IN THAT PRESENTATION TO THE HOSPITAL BOARD.

Futrell: JOHN, ON THE COUNTY SIDE OF THE BUDGET, DID YOU HAVE IT BROKEN OUT CITY AND COUNTY, DID THE COUNTY'S PORTION OF EXPENDITURES, DID THEIR PROPOSED PROPOSAL ON THE BUDGET BREAK EVEN WITH THE REVENUE STREAM GENERATED ON THEIR SIDE?

NO. I DON'T BELIEVE IT DID, CITY MANAGER. BUT I DON'T REMEMBER THE NUMBER THAT -- THAT WAS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THOSE TWO.

Futrell: THANK YOU.

ALSO, I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT, SO THERE'S NO CONFUSION, WHEN WE DID PRESENT A COMBINED BUDGET TO THE DISTRICT, LAST WEEK, WE ALSO BUILT IN A 10% RESERVE. IN OTHER WORDS WE BUILT IN A \$7 MILLION. SO IN THE EXPENDITURE SIDE. IT'S JUST -- I'M JUST TRYING TO CLARIFY IN TERMS OF APPLES TO ORANGES HERE. WE DO NOT HAVE ANY KIND OF RESERVE, SO WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IN THE 10 MILLION IS ALL OF THOSE MONEYS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO GO TO THOSE VARIOUS THINGS THAT THE DISTRICT WOULD LIKE TO DO. EITHER ESTABLISH

A RESERVE, PAY FOR SOME ADDITIONAL ENHANCEMENTS, PAY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. SO THIS IS A -- THIS IS A TOP NUMBER IS KIND OF HOW I REFER TO IT. TAKING EXISTING SERVICES --

Futrell: I THINK THE POINT, THOUGH, IF YOU LOOK AT A 10 MILLION NET, HAD THE COUNTY'S PORTION BROKEN EVEN, YOU SUBTRACT THE \$7 MILLION, \$900,000 SET OF ENHANCEMENT, ADD A MILLION FOR ADMINISTRATION, YOU WOULD HAVE BROKEN EVEN, EVEN WITH A LARGER RESERVE. THERE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN A NEED FOR ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO HAVE BEEN GENERATED. THAT'S JUST INTERESTING TO SEE IT BROKEN OUT SEPARATELY. INSTEAD OF COMBINED.

AGREED.

FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS?

THE NEXT PAGE YOU CAN LOOK AT YOUR LEISURE, JUST OUR LIST OF ENHANCEMENTS WHAT THOSE WERE FOR. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE SALLY HENLEY TO YOU, NOW, WHO IS GOING TO GO OVER A BIT OF THE TRANSITION ISSUES RELATED TO THE CREEFTON THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT.

AS MS. YOUNG STATED EARLIER ONE OF THE BENEFITS [INDISCERNIBLE] ... THERE YOU SOME THINGS THAT ARE LEGALLY REQUIRED BY THE LEGISLATION THAT ALLOWS THE CREATION OF THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. THE POWERS OF THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, ONE, THEY ASSUME OWNERSHIP OF THE HOSPITAL SYSTEM. THEY ALSO ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE FOR INDIGENT AND NEEDY PERSONS WITHIN THE DISTRICT. WHICH OF COURSE IS THE BOUNDARIES OF TRAVIS COUNTY. THE CITY AND COUNTY CAN NO LONGER LEVY OR SPEND TAXES FOR HOSPITAL PURPOSES. AND UNIQUE TO TRAVIS COUNTY, THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT CAN ONLY LEVY [INDISCERNIBLE] TAXABLE VALUE OF PROPERTY. THE FACILITIES THAT TRANSFER TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, REAL PROPERTY, BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL, SETON LEASE, UTMB LEASE, AT SOME POINT POSSIBLY THE FQHC CLINIC FACILITIES. THOSE TRANSFER

ONLY WHEN THE DISTRICT BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER STATUS IS NOT IMPAIRED BY THE TRANSFER. AS PREVIOUSLY POINTED OUT THAT STATUS IS WORTH ABOUT \$10 MILLION ANNUAL. ALSO GIVES THE OPPORTUNITY TO THE CITY TO APPLY AS YOU SAW FOR -- FOR A MULTITUDE OF GRANTS. [MICROPHONE PROBLEMS] [INDISCERNIBLE] THE STATUTE PROVIDES THAT WE CAN LEASE THE CLINIC PORTION TO THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY WOULD MAINTAIN OWNERSHIP. SO THOSE DECISIONS WILL BE MADE LATER ON. ALSO THINGS TRANSFER [INDISCERNIBLE] THE TRANSFER OF THE CLINIC AND HOSPITAL OPERATIONS, AGAIN THE POSSIBLE TRANSFER OF THE CLINICS LATER ON, IF FQHC TRANSFER IS APPROVED, THE M.A.P., COUNTY M.A.P. PROGRAM AND CHAIRT CARE PROGRAM. IN AN INTERIM FACE, PART OF THAT OCCURRING, COULD CONTINUE ON, IT IS PROPOSED THAT THERE WILL AN INTERLOCAL BETWEEN THE CITY AND DISTRICT, SO THAT THE COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES. AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE TRANSFERRING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE SETON AND UTMB LEASES IN ADDITION TO THE CLINICS. ALSO, CERTAINLY OF IMPORTANCE, WHICH YOU HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED SOME TODAY IS TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNDS. THE LAW ONLY REQUIRES TRANSFER OF -- OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED OR APPROPRIATED TO SUPPORT AND MAINTAIN THE HOSPITAL FACILITIES OF THE YEAR IN WHICH THE DISTRICT IS CREATED, TO BE USED BY THE DISTRICT TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THOSE HOSPITAL FACILITIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR. OTHER FUNDS --

Futrell: SALLY, PAUSE THERE FOR A SECOND. IS THAT LANGUAGE, WAS THAT LANGUAGE PART OF WHAT WAS AMENDED FOR THE CITY-COUNTY -- FOR THE TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT?

IT WAS NOT. IT WAS THE OLD LANGUAGE THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY THERE.

IS THIS THE LANGUAGE THAT GOVERNED THEM FROM THE 70s.

TO ANYONE [MULTIPLE VOICES]

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ADDED SPECIFIC TO TRAVIS COUNTY WHICH WE WILL GET INTO LATER IN MATERIALS OF SERVICE THAT'S DO NOT TRANSFER, LIKE E.M.S. THAT TYPE OF THING. THIS WAS CURRENT. THIS IS CURRENTLY THE -- WAS THERE BEFORE.

THE OTHER FUNDS THAT MAY TRANSFER SINCE WE ARE LOOKING AT TRANSFERRING THAT, AT SOME POINT, FUNDS RELATED TO THE CLINIC, THE M.A.P. PROGRAM, THE R M.A.P. WHICH IS THE COUNTY M.A.P. PROGRAM, CHAIR CARE. CHAIR TEE CARE. COULD INCLUDE CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATIONS, IT'S PROPOSED THAT THE INTERLOCALLY NOT START UNTIL OCTOBER 1. CURRENT YEAR APPROPRIATIONS WILL IN ALL LIKELIHOOD WILL BE SPENT. ANY CURRENT YEAR BALANCES, WHICH I BELIEVE IS WHERE THE \$3 MILLION AMOUNT IS COMING, ANY UNEXPENDED C.I.P. FUNDS FOR FACILITIES. AS A PART OF THE ACTION THAT COUNCIL WOULD TAKE TO MAKE THAT TRANSFER, WE WOULD HAVE FINDINGS OF THE TRANSFER FUND SERVES A LEGITIMATE PUBLIC PURPOSE, WE WOULD ESTABLISH SAFEGUARD IN THE INTERLOCAL FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF THAT MONEY. FUNDS THAT NEED NOT TRANSFER ARE ANY GENERAL FUNDS OR RESERVE FUNDS. THAT'S REGARDLESS OF THE ORIGINAL SOURCE, REGARDLESS OF THE NAME OF THE FUND. BOTH DISPRO AND TOBACCO FUNDS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO -- THOSE ARE RETURNED TO THE CITY. PAID TO THE CITY, NOT REQUIRED TO BE SOANT HEALTH CARE. CITY LEASE PAYMENTS, PATIENT REVENUES PRIOR TO THE LEASE ... NONE OF THOSE ARE REQUIRED TO BE TRANSFERRED BY THE STATUTE WHICH I READ TO YOU JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO, EXTREMELY NARROW. AGAIN, REGARDLESS OF THE NAME OF THE FUND, AS YOU KNOW THE CITY FROM TIME TO TIME CHANGES THE NAMES OF FUNDS, CHANGES ITS USE OR TRANSFERS IT TO ANOTHER FUND FOR OTHER PURPOSES DEPENDING ON THE CURRENT BUDGET NEEDS THAT THE COUNCIL SEES. WHAT ABOUT THE 33 MILLION DOLLAR RESERVE? THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF DISCUSSION OF THAT. WITH -- WE NEED HISTORY HERE TO PUT THAT IN PERSPECTIVE. WITH THE 1995 LEASE OF BRACKENRIDGE, THE CITY WAS ABLE TO PAY OFF THE HOSPITAL DEBT. INCLUDING \$56 MILLION IN GENERAL

OBLIGATION DEBT, WHICH MEANS THE HOSPITAL IS GOING TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT DEBT FREE. IF THAT WAS STILL OUTSTANDING THE DISTRICT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO ASSUME THAT DEBT. THE CITY WAS ABLE TO SPEND \$76.4 MILLION FOR HEALTH CARE SINCE 1995. THE CITY WAS ABLE TO MAINTAIN AN ENDING BILLION BETWEEN 30 MILLION AND 40 MILLION. THE BALANCE WAS MAINTAINED BECAUSE OF CONCERNS ABOUT -- ABOUT THE CONTINUATION OF THE DISPRO PAYMENT PROGRAM AS WELL AS THE VIABILITY OF SETON LEASE. WE WERE DOING A NEW VENTURE AND WEREN'T SURE HOW IT WOULD WORK OUT. IN ALL INDICATIONS WAS THAT DISPRO WOULD GO AWAY FAIRLY QUICKLY. BUT WE CURRENTLY BELIEVE THESE CONCERNS NO LONGER EXIST. THE SETON LEASE, AS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED EARLIER, HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED IN A NUMBER OF WAYS. DISPRO APPEARS TO BE STABLE AND IN FACT IT'S BEEN INCREASING AND WE -- WE EXPECT IT TO BE STABLE FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. SO THE DECISION WAS MADE TO TRANSFER THE ENDING BALANCE TO THE GENERAL FUND, 2002, TO MAKE IT VERY CLEAR TO BOND RATING AGENCIES THAT THOSE FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL APPROPRIATION. JUST A QUICK SUM UP ON THE SERVICES THAT DON'T TRANSFER. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH IS TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY WIDE WELLNESS AS OPPOSED TO INDIVIDUAL HEALTH CARE. IT'S TO PREVENT DISEASE AND PROTECT THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY FROM INFECTIOUS DISEASES, ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS, EPIDEMICS, IT DOES NOT TRANSFER. E.M.S. AND AUSTIN TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR CONTRACT ALSO DO NOT TRANSFER. I BELIEVE MS. YOUNG WILL COVER THE LAST SLIDE.

JUST WANTED TO TAKE A MOMENT ON RECAP THE CITY OF AUSTIN HEALTH CARE CONTRIBUTIONS. IN CLOSING FOR OUR PRESENTATION. WE HAVE MENTIONED SEVERAL STATISTICS BEFORE, BUT JUST TO REITERATE A FEW. THE CITY OF AUSTIN TAXPAYERS HAVE SPENT MORE THAN 630 MILLION IN HEALTH CARE OVER THE LAST 25 YEARS, AGAIN WE MENTIONED BEFORE THAT, THAT WAS NET OF ALL SOURCES OF REVENUE. SO THAT'S NET OF TOTAL SOURCES AGAINST EXPENDITURES. BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL IS DEBT FREE. IT GOES TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT UNENCUMBERED.

CURRENTLY RECEIVING DISPRO AT APPROXIMATELY 13.2 MILLION A YEAR. CHARITY CARE THAT COMES TO ALL SETON FACILITY THAT OFFERS THE SPECIFIED SERVICES THEY REQUIRE. WE NOW HAVE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH GALVESTON OPERATING THE WOMEN'S BRANCH HOSPITAL FOR US ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY. IN ADDITION TO OPERATING THE HOSPITAL AND PROVIDING THAT SOURCE OF STABILITY, THEY ARE INCREASING GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THIS COMMUNITY, INCREASING THE NUMBER OF IF I SEES AND OTHER CLINICAL -- PHYSICIANS AND OTHER CLINICAL STAFF AVAILABLE TO TREAT OUR PATIENTS. WE HAVE EXPANDED THE FINANCIAL CAP WITH SETON TO FUND THE AUSTIN WOMEN HOSPITAL. IN OTHER WORDS THE EXPOSURE ON AUSTIN WOMEN'S HOSPITAL [INDISCERNIBLE] HAS BEEN REDUCED. WE HAVE CHIEFED AND MAINTAINED SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL BENEFIT OF THE FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS. WE MENTIONED THAT WAS WORTH ALMOST 10.5 FOR NEXT YEAR ALONE. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTSOURCING OF OUR CLASS A PHARMACY DISPENSING IS GOING TO ALLOW US TO AVOID SIGNIFICANT COSTS IN THE FUTURE. THE DISTRICT WILL NOT NEED TO BUDGET FOR VERY, VERY SIGNIFICANT INCREASING COSTS, AT LEAST FOR FISCAL YEAR '05. THE CITY HAS OFFERED TO PROVIDE CENTRALIZED ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AT NO COST TO THE DISTRICT DURING THE TERM OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DISTRICT. THE CITY ALSO INDICATED ITS WILLINGNESS TO SERVE AS A FISCAL AGENT DURING THE FIRST YEAR WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE DISTRICT TO BANK IT'S RESERVE AND OPERATE DEBT FREE. I CONCLUDE AT THIS TIME AND TAKE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS.

COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: IF YOU COULD GO OVER THOSE LAST TWO BULLETS ON THAT SHEET. SINCE THAT'S BEYOND OBVIOUSLY WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IN THE SPREAD SHEET WITH REGARD TO THE RESOURCES THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, FOR DISTRICT.....DIRECT SERVICES, HOW THOSE TWO LAST BULLETS MIGHT HELP. ALSO SAVE SOME MONEY, BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY IF THEY OPT TO -- TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT, YOU KNOW, THAT WOULD EAT UP SOME OF THAT RESERVE THAT COULD BE USED FOR -- FOR

INCREASED HEALTH CARE SERVICES. AND SO -- SO DO WE KNOW -- SORT OF HAVE A DOLLAR VALUE AMOUNT OF WHAT THOSE SERVICES MIGHT BE? AND ALSO YOU KNOW HOW HAS THE DISTRICT RESPONDED TO -- TO YOU KNOW OUR PROPOSAL OF PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES AS A WAY OF -- OF TRYING TO MAINTAIN AS MANY OF THE REVENUES THAT THEY ARE GOING TO RECEIVE FOR DIRECT CARE.

REGARDING THE PROVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT, COUNCILMEMBER, WE DO KNOW WHAT THE -- WHAT THE APPROXIMATE VALUE OF THAT IS. WE PREPARE AS YOU KNOW A COST ALLOCATION PLAN EVERY YEAR TO ALLOCATE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT COST THAT'S WE INCUR TO -- TO CITY DEPARTMENTS. BUT WE HAVE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AS A MATTER OF POLICY NOT ALLOCATED THOSE COSTS TO THE FQHC, TO THE -- TO THE COMMUNITY CARE DEPARTMENT. THE LAST COST ALLOCATION PLAN THAT WE DID INDICATED THAT -- THAT THE APPROXIMATE VALUE OF THOSE SERVICES TO THE FQHC WOULD BE SLIGHTLY MORE THAN A MILLION A YEAR. THAT THEY WILL AVOID PAYING BECAUSE WE WILL BE PAYING FOR PAYROLL COSTS AND HUMAN RESOURCES COSTS AND SO ON FOR ALL OF THE COMMUNITY CARE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES. SO THAT WOULD BE A SAVINGS. IF THE DISTRICT WERE TO TAKE THAT ON ITS OWN, AND NOT CONTRACT THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY TO RUN ARE THE CLINICS, THEY WOULD HAVE TO INCUR APPROXIMATELY THAT AMOUNT IN ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. THE LAST LINE IS THAT THE CITY WILL OFFER TO, DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION, THE CITY WILL OFFER THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO SERVE AS THE PAYING AGENT FOR THE DISTRICT TO MAKE PAYMENTS FOR EXAMPLE FOR THE DISPRO PROGRAM WHERE BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL, WHICH IS ONE OF NINE TRANSFERRING HOSPITALS IN THE STATE THAT HAVE TO SEND UP FUNDS TO THE STATE, TO THEN BE MATCHED WITH THE FEDERAL FUNDS THAT COME BACK DOWN, THE CITY WILL SERVE AS THE PAYING AGENT FOR THAT. AND THERE BY ALLOW THE DISTRICT TO HANG ON TO WHATEVER RESERVE IT HAS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR AND SIMPLY BANK THAT RESERVE FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR.

Alvarez: SO THAT HAS BEEN OFFERED TO THE DISTRICT.

YES, SIR, IN DISCUSSION WITH THE BOARD WE HAVE OFFERED THAT. OF COURSE AS YOU KNOW THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT IS NOT IN PLACE. BUT THOSE ARE SERVICES THAT WE EXPECT TO OFFER THE DISTRICT THROUGH THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND WE EXPECT THEM TO -- TO TAKE US UP ON THAT.

Dunkerly: ONE ADDITIONAL BENEFIT, IF THEY ACCEPT THE OFFER OF US BEING A PAYING AGENT, IT ALLOWS THEM TO NOT HAVE TO GO BORROW MONEY IN SOME FASHION, WHICH WOULD COST MONEY, BUT IN ADDITION WHATEVER RESERVE IS ESTABLISHED LET'S IT STAY THERE AND GROW THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. THEY WILL BE ABLE TO GET INTEREST EARNINGS ON THAT, AS WELL AS THE ABORTED COSTS OF HAVING TO PAY INTEREST. SO THAT'S ANOTHER BENEFIT AS WE GO THROUGH AND TRY TO DETERMINE WHAT AN ADEQUATE LET ME OF RESERVE IS.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US BACK TO THE 4:00 ZONING HEARINGS AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. WE WILL WELCOME MS. ALICE GLASGO.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, I'M ALICE GLASGO GO DIRECTOR OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. OUR ZONING CASES ARE AS FOLLOWS, WE DO HAVE A LOT OF REQUESTS FOR POSTPONEMENT AND/OR CLARIFICATION. ITEMS NUMBER 45 THROUGH 48, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE IS A DESIRE FROM COUNCIL TO POSTPONE THOSE ITEMS TO -- TO AUGUST THE 26th. SO, MAYOR, IF YOU CAN -- IF YOU CAN LET ME KNOW ON THAT, ON THOSE -- THOSE ITEMS. 48 -- FROM -- ON ITEM NO. 49, THIS IS A -- A CASE NUMBER C14-04-67, LOCATED AT 5607, 5611 AND 5701 TRAVIS COOK ROAD. THE CASE ON FIRST READING, COUNCIL GRANTED ZONING CHANGE TO SINGLE FAMILY 3 WITH A CONDITION THAT THE LOTS BE AT A HALF ACRE. THE APPLICANT, WHILE THEY AGREED TO IT, AFTER CHECKING WITH HIS ENGINEER ON THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION, THE SUBDIVISION SHOWS WITH RIGHT-OF-WAY BEING DEDICATED IT REDUCES THE

LAND AREA AND THEREFORE IS REQUESTING THAT COUNCIL CONSIDER DELETING THAT REQUIREMENT FOR HALF ACRE REQUIREMENT TO SIMPLY APPROVE WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE ZONING AND PLATTING, WHICH IS SINGLE FAMILY 3, WITHOUT A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY LIMITING THE SIZE OF THE LOTS. ON ITEM NO. 50, WE JUST RECEIVED A REQUEST BY THE PROPERTY OWNER, MARK CASH MAN FOR 5602 CLAY AVENUE TO POSTPONE THIS PARTICULAR TRACT TO SEPTEMBER THE 30th. THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION CONCURS WITH THAT REQUEST SO THEY CAN CONTINUE NEGOTIATING ON JUST ONE LITTLE ITEM. THAT CONCLUDES THE ITEMS THAT ARE SCHEDULED UNDER THE 4:00 ORDINANCES, MAYOR.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, SO, COUNCIL, APPARENTLY SOME OR MORE OF US WOULD LIKE TO SEE ITEMS 45 THROUGH 48 POSTPONED. I HAVEN'T BEEN INVOLVED IN THOSE DISCUSSIONS, BUT WOULD -- WELCOME SOME CLARIFICATION. COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER?

Slusher: MAYOR, THE THINKING ON THAT WAS THAT SINCE THESE ARE ALL RELATED TO THE UNO PLAN, THAT IT WOULD MAKE SENSE TO TAKE THEM UP EITHER AT THE SAME TIME OR AFTERWARD. I KNOW I WAS INCLINED TO WANT TO GO THROUGH SOME OF THEM MYSELF JUST BECAUSE IT TAKES SO LONG AND I FIGURED THAT WE COULD KNOCK SOME OUT TONIGHT. BUT ONCE I GOT TO THINKING ABOUT IT, THAT DIDN'T SEEM LOGICAL SINCE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN NEGOTIATED ALTOGETHER AND ONE DEPENDS ON THE OTHER ONE. SO I THINK THAT WE SHOULD WAIT UNTIL -- UNTIL THE UNO PLAN AND BEING REALISTIC, I DON'T KNOW IF WE WILL GET THEM ALL DONE THAT SAME NIGHT THAT WE DO THE UNO.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER, FURTHER COMMENTS? WITHOUT OBJECTION, COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER, SO UNO, MS. GLASGO, IS SCHEDULED FOR --

FOR AUGUST 26th. YES.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. SO COUNCIL WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE HAVE A COUNCIL SUGGESTED POSTPONEMENT OF ITEMS 45 THROUGH 48, TO AUGUST 26th, 2004. THAT WILL INCLUDE ON

OUR -- THAT WE WILL INCLUDE ON OUR CONSENT AGENDA.
I'M SORRY, MS. GLASGO, ITEM NO. 49?

Glasgo: 49 WE ARE OFFERING CONSENT FOR YOUR
APPROVAL WITH THE REQUEST FROM THE PROPERTY OWN
MER TO DELETE THE CONDITION FOR HALF ACRE
REQUIREMENT. WE DO HAVE AN ORDINANCE THAT
REFLECTS WHAT YOU APPROVED ON FIRST READING WITH A
CONDITION FOR THE HALF ACRE REQUIREMENT AND ONE
THAT REFLECTS WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED TO YOU BY THE
ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION WITHOUT THAT
CONDITION. SO --

Mayor Wynn: SO AN ORDINANCE EITHER WAY.

Glasgo: CORRECT EITHER WAY. IF COUNCIL IS WILLING TO
MAKE A MOTION ON EITHER OF THOSE TWO OPTIONS, THEN
WE WILL BE READY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCIL, WHAT'S YOUR PREROGATIVE ON ITEM
49?

THIS IS THE CASE WHERE JIM BENNETT IS THE AGENT. TWO
WEEKS AGO OR A WEEK AGO WHEN COUNCIL CONSIDERED
THE CASE, COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER AND -- THE MOTION
OF COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ RECOMMENDED SINGLE
FAMILY 3 ZONING WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE LOTS BE
SUBDIVIDED TO NO MORE THAN A HALF ACRE LOT EACH.
WITHOUT KNOWING AT THAT TIME THAT POINT IT WAS GOING
TO AFFECT -- THAT SIZE LIMITATION WOULD BE REDUCED
FURTHER ONCE RIGHT-OF-WAY IS DEDICATED. NOW THAT
THE APPLICANT HAS ASSESSED WHAT IS GOING TO BE
REQUIRED, IT SHRINKS THE LAND AREA AND REQUESTS
THAT YOU REMOVE THE CONDITION. FROM THE SINGLE
FAMILY 3.

Mayor Wynn: MS. GLASGO, WITHOUT THE CONDITION THE
APPROXIMATE SIZE OF THOSE LOTS WOULD BE?

Glasgo: THAT WOULD BE BASED, THE WATERSHED
REGULATIONS WOULD DICTATE THE SIZE AND THAT WOULD
BE PROBABLY ABOUT AN ACRE OR SO PER LOT, A LITTLE BIT
MORE. WE WOULD JUST DEFER TO THE WATERSHED

REGULATIONS TO REGULATE THE SIZE.

Mayor Wynn: ALL RIGHT. THAT WAS THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION.

Glasgo: CORRECT.

Mayor Wynn: ALL RIGHT. SO, COUNCIL, LET'S GO AHEAD AND TAKE UP, WE HAVE REQUESTS FOR POSTPONEMENT ITEMS 45 THROUGH 48 TO AUGUST 26th 2004. AND A REQUESTED POSTPONEMENT OF ITEM 50 TO SEPTEMBER 30th, 2004. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON THAT AS BEING OUR CONSENT AGENDA.

SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY, I'LL SECOND THAT. DISCUSSION ON THE POSTPONEMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH THE MAYOR PRO TEM OFF THE DAIS. AT LEAST WITH ITEM NO. 49, COUNCIL, THIS IS AGAIN THE -- THE TRAVIS COOK ROAD PROJECT. WE HAVE ORDINANCES PREPARED FOR A SECOND AND THIRD READING WITH OR WITHOUT THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT.

Dunkerly: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION OF S.F. 3, WITH NO CONDITIONS.

SECOND.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken TO APPROVE ON SECOND AND THIRD READING ON ITEM NO. 49 THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION. OF S.F. 3 OF THE..... 3. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED?

NO.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 5-1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER VOTING NO AND THE MAYOR PRO TEM TEMPORARILY OFF THE DAIS.

OKAY. MAYOR, THAT TAKES US ON TO THE 4:00 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. THESE ARE ITEMS THAT YOU ARE HEARING FOR THE FIRST TIME. UNDER THE PUBLIC HEARING PORTION OF OUR ITEM. Z-1 AND 2 ARE RELATED, Z-1 BEING THE REQUEST TO AMEND THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN FOR NORTH LOOP AND ITEM NO. Z-2 THE COMPANION ZONING CASE. WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM THE PROPERTY OWNER, WHO IS OUT OF TOWN, COULD NOT MAKE IT IN TODAY, REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT TO SEPTEMBER THE 2nd AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE IN CONCURRENCE WITH THE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST. SO Z-1 AND Z-2 REQUESTED POSTPONEMENT TO SEPTEMBER THE 2nd. ITEM NO. Z-3, C14-04-60, THE WALLGREEN'S PROPERTY ON SOUTH LAMAR BOULEVARD, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM THE SOUTH LAMAR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TO POSTPONE THIS CASE TO SEPTEMBER THE 2nd. THIS IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION'S FIRST REQUEST AND THE APPLICANT IS IN AGREEMENT WITH THE REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT.

Mayor Wynn: I'M SORRY SEPTEMBER?

Glasgo: SEPTEMBER THE 2nd. SEMI NUMBER Z-4, MAYOR, DO YOU HAVE CARDS FOR -- FROM CITIZENS IN OPPOSITION? THAT WAY I WON'T OFFER IT ON CONSENT.

Mayor Wynn: YES, WE DO.

Glasgo: OKAY, THEN WE WILL DISCUSS THAT ITEM.

Mayor Wynn: FOUR AGAINST AND NEUTRAL.

OKAY. ITEM NO. Z-5 C14-04-24, NAMELY BRODIE 31, CARE OF WALTERS SOUTHWEST, WE HAVE RECEIVED TWO REQUESTS FOR POSTPONEMENT FOR THE FIRST TIME FROM THE DEAR..... DEER PARK AND MAPLE RUN HOMEOWNERS

ASSOCIATION AND CASTLE OAK VALLEY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION TO AUGUST THE 26th. THIS CASE HAS BEEN POSTPONED BEFORE THROUGH OTHER REQUESTS, SO IT'S -- IT'S UP TO YOU COUNCIL TO DECIDE IF YOU WANT TO HONOR THIS POSTPONEMENT FOR TWO OTHER ASSOCIATIONS THAT HAVE NOT REQUESTED A POSTPONEMENT BEFORE. THE APPLICANT IS OPPOSED TO THE POSTPONEMENT BECAUSE THEY WOULD NOT LIKE TO BE DELAYED ANY FURTHER.

MAYOR?

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

Dunkerly: WERE THESE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS WERE IN THE NOTIFICATION AREA OR WHY WERE THEY SO LATE COMING IN?

Glasgo: THEIR BOUNDARIES DO NOT EXTEND TO INCLUDE THIS PROPERTY. SO THEY WERE NOT NOTIFIED BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT PART OF OUR -- THEY WERE NOT IN OUR DATA BASE AS CLAIMING THIS AREA FOR THE POSTPONEMENT -- FOR THE NOTIFICATION. SO THEY JUST FOUND OUT FROM -- FROM HERE..... HEARSAY FROM OTHER NEIGHBORS. LEGALLY WE WERE NOT REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THEM. BASED ON THEIR -- I SEE SOME -- SOME PUZZLED LOOKS.

Dunkerly: WHAT ARE THE RULES OF HOW FAR OUT YOU GO --

Glasgo: THERE ARE TWO REQUIREMENTS. THE FIRST REQUIREMENT IS THAT WE NOTIFY BY STATE LAW AND BY CITY CODE THAT RENOTIFY REGISTERED PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET. THAT IT IS JUST THE PROPERTY OWNERS. THEN IN ADDITION WE NOTIFY REGISTERED NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS WITHIN THOSE AREAS AND THE WAY WE IDENTIFY THOSE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS, THEY REGISTER WITH US, THEY GIVE US -- THEIR BOUNDARIES AND IF THIS BOUNDARIES FALL WITHIN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, THEN THEY GET NOTIFIED. BUT IF THEIR BOUNDARIES DO NOT INCLUDE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY THAT IS BEING REZONE THEY DO NOT GET NOTICE. THEY DEBT GET TO DETERMINE WHERE THEIR BOUNDARIES BEGIN AND END AND THAT GETS TO

DETERMINE WHETHER THEY RECEIVE NOTICE OR NOT. IT IS NOT OUR CALL. IT IS A MATTER OF THEM DEFINING THEIR BOUNDARIES.

Mayor Wynn: SO IN THIS INDICATION THEY REDEFINED THEIR BOUNDARIES ARE STILL ARE NOT -- ARE NOT PART OF THIS TRACT OR VICE VERSA?

THAT IS CORRECT. STILL NOT PART OF THIS PROPERTY TRACT.

Dunkerly: I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND. DOES THIS MEAN THEN A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IN NORTHWEST AUSTIN COULD COME IN AND SAY I WANT A DELAY?

Glasgo: YES. THAT IS REALLY -- THE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST IS REALLY -- DOES NOT DICTATE JURISDICTION OR WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO REQUEST A POSTPONEMENT. YOU HAVE GRANTED POSTPONEMENT REQUESTS TO EITHER INDIVIDUALS WITHIN -- WHO HAVE INDICATED AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY OR YOU HAVE GRANTED A REQUEST TO -- TO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS AND THE DISTINCTION IS WHETHER THEY RECEIVE NOTICE FROM US BECAUSE OF THEIR -- BECAUSE THEIR BOUNDARIES INCLUDE THE SUBJECT TRACT OR NOT. SO YOUR POSTPONEMENT REQUIREMENTS DO NOT MAKE A DISTINCTION. AS TO WHO HAS THE -- THE RIGHT TO REQUEST A POSTPONEMENT.

MAYOR?

McCracken: SO IS THIS A DISCRETIONARY QUESTION FOR US, ABOUT WHETHER WE POSTPONE THIS OR NOT?

THAT'S CORRECT.

McCracken: WE HAVE POSTPONED THIS SEVERAL TIMES ALREADY AND I THINK WE ARE PRETTY CLEAN TWO WEEKS AGO THAT THIS WAS GOING TO BE THE FINAL POSTPONEMENT. WE EXPECTED EVERYBODY TO GET TOGETHER AND WORK TOGETHER. SO -- YOU KNOW, I PERSONALLY DO NOT THINK WE SHOULD POSTPONE THIS ANOTHER TIME. THIS HAS BEEN POSTPONED SINCE JUNE.

WE ARE INTO MID AUGUST NOW.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: COULD YOU CLARIFY THAT. ACTUALLY THIS HAS BEEN POSTPONED SINCE JUNE? I THOUGHT THIS WAS JUST POSTPONED TWO WEEKS AGO, I BELIEVE. TO LOOK AT -- I NEED TO LOOK AT MY SNARE DOCUMENT TO -- SUMMARY DOCUMENT TO LOOK AT WHEN IT CAME TO COUNCIL. I FEEL TO BORROW -- NEED TO BORROW, MR. GUERNSEY. JUNE 24th WAS THE FIRST TIME IT CAME TO YOU, COUNCIL, THEN YOU POOEN POSTPONE IT TO JULY 29th. ON JULY 29th YOU POSTPONED IT TO 9th.

Alvarez: BUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ONLY HAD ONE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST. HOW DID THESE OTHER POSTPONEMENTS OCCUR?

Glasgo: WE ARE FOCUSING ON THE POSTPONEMENTS AT THE COUNCIL LEVEL. NOT FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Alvarez: I UNDERSTAND. BUT I THINK THE NEIGHBORHOOD, GIVE THEM AN AUTOMATIC POSTPONEMENT ON THE FIRST REQUEST. I BELIEVE THAT HAPPENED TWO WEEKS AGO. REALLY THIS HAS ONLY BEEN DELAYED TWO WEEKS BECAUSE OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD POSTPONEMENT REQUEST. ORIGINALLY THEY ASKED FOR FOUR WEEKS, WHICH IS WHAT I WAS GOING TO ORIGINALLY SUPPORT, THE COUNCIL OPTED FOR TWO WEEK POSTPONEMENT. SO THIS HAS ONLY BEEN DELAYED TWO WEEKS. AS A RESULT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S FIRST REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT. SO I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT.

Glasgo: THAT'S CORRECT. IF YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY -- IF YOU ARE LOOKING SPECIFICALLY AT HOW LONG A DELAY OCCURRED AS EFFECT FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S REQUEST, YES, TWO WEEKS.

Mayor Wynn: WHAT WAS THE ACTION ON JUNE 24th.

Glasgo: JUNE 24th THE REQUEST FOR THE POSTPONEMENT WAS BY THE APPLICANT BECAUSE HE WAS NOT GOING TO BE AVAILABLE THE DATE REQUESTED BY THE -- AT THAT

TIME. SO THE POSTPONEMENT WAS TO JULY 29th. THEN WE RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD ON THE 29th FOR A LONGER TIME FROM WHEN COUNCIL AGREED ON, COUNCIL POSTPONED IT TO THE 12th.

Alvarez: FINALLY, DO WE HAVE A MAP THAT SHOWS WHERE THE OTHER TWO ASSOCIATIONS ARE IN RELATION TO THE PROJECT?

Glasgo: I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION. BUT MR. GUERNSEY WHO DID THE RESEARCH CAN TELL YOU WHAT THEIR BOUNDARIES ARE.

Guernsey: COUNCILMEMBER, THE DEER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IS LOCATED FURTHER TO THE EAST. IF YOU WERE TO GO DOWN DAVIS, KEEP ON GOING PAST THE FIRE STATION, AND KEEP GOING DOWN THAT ROAD, YOU WILL EVENTUALLY GET TO THEIR SUBDIVISION ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE. SO IT IS WEST OF BRODIE LANE. THE OTHER ONE, THE CASTLE-WOOD OAK IS LOCATED TO THE EAST TOWARDS MANCHACA ROAD. SO BOTH OF THEIR BOUNDARIES FALL SHORT OF THE NOTICE, BUT THEY HAVE EACH TURNED IN A REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT.

Alvarez: ARE THERE REPRESENTATIVES HERE FROM THOSE --

Guernsey: I BELIEVE THERE'S A REPRESENTATIVE HERE FROM THE DEER PARK, I'M NOT SURE ABOUT CASTLE WOOD. JOHN LARK KIN IS HERE FOR BRODIE LANE WHO MADE THE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST FOR A FOUR WEEK POSTPONEMENT THAT WAS GRANTED TWO WEEKS TO TONIGHT.

Alvarez: OKAY. WELL, --

IT'S DISCRETIONARY UPON YOU, COUNCIL. SO IT'S REALLY -- IT'S NOT MANDATORY, BUT --

Mayor Wynn: AGREED, THANK YOU, MS. GLASGO. SO COUNCIL, LET'S SEE. Z-4 WILL BE DISCUSSION. WE HAVE THE REQUEST ON Z-3 THAT I SUSPECT WE WILL GRANT FOR A POSTPONEMENT AS WITH Z-1 AND Z-2. WE NEED TO DECIDE

WHETHER WE ARE GOING TO POSTPONE ITEM Z-5 AGAIN.

McCracken: I WILL MOVE TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR PROMOTE. IS THAT THE PROCEDURAL WAY THAT WE WOULD HANDLE THAT?

Mayor Wynn: TELL YOU WHAT, LET'S GO AHEAD AND ON -- I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA TO POSTPONE ITEMS Z-1 AND Z-2 TO SEPTEMBER 2nd, '04, Z-3 TO SEPTEMBER 2nd, '04.

SO MOVE.

SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE. >>

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0. POSTPONING ITEM Z-1 THROUGH Z-3. NOW I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON A POSTPONEMENT REQUEST ON ITEM Z-5.

Alvarez: IF I COULD COMMENT ON THAT, I BELIEVE WHAT -- A COUPLE OF COUNCILMEMBERS HAD MENTIONED WHEN WE WERE CONSIDERING THE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST LAST WEEK, OR TWO WEEKS AGO, WAS THAT -- WAS THAT WE MIGHT POSTPONE JUST FOR TWO WEEKS AND THEN TAKE UP FIRST READING ONLY, YOU KNOW, ON THIS PARTICULAR READING FOR THE -- FOR THE COUNCIL'S CONSIDERING THIS ITEM. SO THAT'S PRETTY MUCH TANTAMOUNT TO POSTPONING FOR TWO WEEKS, WHENEVER IT COMES BACK. IS THAT THE INTENT OF -- COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN, YOU WERE INTERESTED IN NOT POSTPONING, BUT IS YOUR INTEREST IN DOING ONE READING OR ALL THREE READINGS, BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT THE APPLICANT WOULD LIKE TO DO ALL THREE. SO I PERSONALLY THINK THAT IF WE ARE GOING TO TAKE ACTION, THAT WE DO JUST ONE READING, THAT SEEMED TO BE THE DISCUSSION OF THE COUNCIL LAST -- LAST TIME WE CONSIDERED THIS ITEM. BUT

CERTAINLY I WOULD ENTERTAIN ANOTHER TWO WEEK POSTPONEMENT, THAT WOULD GIVE US THE FOUR WEEKS THAT I ORIGINALLY HAD HOPED TO SECURE. BUT -- BUT I WASN'T SURE IF THAT WAS THE INTENT IN MAKING THAT MOTION.

McCracken: YEAH. I -- IN REGARDS TO THE COUNCILMEMBER'S QUESTION, I DON'T KNOW RIGHT NOW. IT, YOU KNOW, IT COULD WELL BE THAT ONE WEEK I MEAN FIRST READING IS WHAT'S APPROPRIATE. I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO BE ABLE TO AT LEAST HEAR, THE PUBLIC HEARING THIS EVENING, THEN WE COULD MAKE A DETERMINATION OF IF IT'S THE WILL OF THE COUNCIL EITHER TO POSTPONE, FIRST READING OR ALL THREE READINGS. BUT WE HAD EVERYBODY ROLLED IN HERE SEVERAL TIMES. I THINK AT LEAST GET THE PUBLIC HEARING, WE CAN MAKE A DETERMINATION, I THINK WE AT LEAST SHOULD DO FIRST READING. I CAN'T TELL YOU RIGHT NOW BECAUSE I HAVEN'T HEARD THE PRESENTATION YET.

Slusher: MAYOR? I WOULD SAY -- I WOULD PREFER FIRST READING TONIGHT BECAUSE THE -- [INDISCERNIBLE] DOING THEIR CHARETTE WHICH THEY ASKED US TO POSTPONE FOR FOUR WEEKS SO THEY COULD DO IT. I DIDN'T CONSIDER FOUR WEEKS TO BE APPROPRIATE. BUT I -- DID -- THEY HAVE GOTTEN IT TOGETHER WHERE THEY ARE DOING THAT ON SATURDAY, IS THAT RIGHT? AND THERE'S -- THERE'S A LOT MORE GOING ON IN THIS AREA BESIDES JUST THIS DEVELOPMENT, WHICH THEY WANT TO TALK ABOUT. I REALIZE THEY DON'T OWN THE PROPERTY, SO THAT LANDOWNER DOESN'T NECESSARILY HAVE TO ACCEPT THEIR RECOMMENDATION, BUT I THINK THAT IT -- I WOULD RATHER LET THEM GO AHEAD WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING BEFORE WE MADE A FINAL DECISION ON THIS CASE.

Mayor Wynn: SEEMS TO ME, COUNCIL, THEN REGARDLESS, I THINK WE ARE PREPARED TO HEAR THE CASE TONIGHT, THEN WE WILL TAKE UP WHETHER THIS WILL BE ON FIRST VERSUS 1, 2, THIRD READINGS, WE WILL CONSIDER Z-5, AT LEAST THE PUBLIC HEARING ON Z-5 NOT BEING POSTPONED, WE WILL TAKE THAT UP AS SOON AS WE GET BACK FROM OUR BREAK. THAT TAKES US TO 5:30, WHEN WE BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. I PANS PATRIOT US --

ANTICIPATE US TAKING APPROXIMATELY 20, 25 MINUTES, WE WILL COME BACK AND TAKE UP DISCUSSION ITEMS Z-4 AND Z-5 IMMEDIATELY AFTER OUR PROCLAMATIONS, WE ARE NOW IN RECESS. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. FOLKS, IF I COULD HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN, TIME FOR THE LIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCE AT THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING. THIS WEEK WE'RE PLEASED TO BE JOINED BY THE LUCRETIA QUARTER AT THE TIME. THEY HAD THEIR BEGINNING WHEN MEMBERS JUNE REBEGAN PERFORMING WITH JUNE CLAP BACK IN 1999. OBVIOUSLY THEY'VE GROWN TO A QUARTET SIZE. PLEASE HELP ME IN WELCOMING THE LUCRETIA QUARTET. [APPLAUSE] [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)] [(music) MUSIC PLAYING (music)(music)] [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: SO PLEASE TELL US WHERE WE CAN HEAR THE LUCRETIA QUARTET IN THE FUTURE, CAN WE GET A CD, HOW DO WE BOOK YOU? AND WHAT'S THE DEAL?

WELL, WE HAVE A WEBSITE AT LEAK.....
LUCRETIASRINGS.COM AND WE HAVE MP3 SAMPLES OF OUR PLAYING. AND YOU CAN BOOK US THROUGH OUR WEBSITE BY CONTACTING ME. AND EITHER E-MAIL OR CALL ME, WHICH IS ON THE WEBSITE.

Mayor Wynn: BEFORE YOU GET AWAY, WE HAVE A OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION THAT READS, BE IT KNOWN THAT WHEREAS THE LOCAL MUSIC COMMUNITY MAKES MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF AUSTIN'S SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND WHEREAS THE DEDICATED EFFORTS OF ARTISTS FURTHER AUSTIN'S STATUS AS THE LIVE MUSIC CAPITOL OF THE WORLD, NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO HERE BY PROCLAIM TODAY, AUGUST 12TH, 2004, AS THE LUCRETIA STRING QUARTET DAY IN AUSTIN AND CALL ON ALL CITIZENS IN CONGRATULATING THIS GREAT TALENT. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. IN OUR FIRST PROCLAMATION IS ACTUALLY A SERIES OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION. THIS IS FOR THE SOUTHEAST AUSTIN YOUTH ADVISORY

COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND WE HAVE ALMOST A DOZEN OF THEM HERE WITH US. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF CERTIFICATES. PERHAPS ALL THE KIDS COULDN'T JOIN US TODAY. I'LL FIRST READ THE ACTUAL CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION, AND I THINK WE HAVE SOME FOLKS HERE FROM OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT OR OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT ACTUALLY WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS THAT CAN TALK MORE ABOUT WHAT THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAS BEEN DOING FOR ALL OF US THROUGHOUT THE CITY. THE CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION READS: THE FOUNDATION OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY IS GOOD CITIZENSHIP, WHICH IS ESTABLISHED THROUGH EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. WE HERE BY HONOR EACH OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THEIR COMMITMENT OF TIME AND TALENT TO THE BETTERMENT OF THE SOUTHEAST AUSTIN, THAT'S 78744, NEIGHBORHOOD AND OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY. THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED IN RECOGNITION THERE OF THIS 12TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2004, SIGNED BY MAY, WILL WYNN, BUT ALSO ACKNOWLEDGING MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN, AND COUNCILMEMBERS ALVAREZ, SLUSHER, DUNKERLEY AND MCCracken AND THOMAS AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING OUR YOUTH ADVISE I HAVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS. [APPLAUSE]

GOOD AFTERNOON. CAN YOU HEAR ME? MY NAME IS JOHN HARRISON. I'M THE COORDINATOR FOR THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE, IT IS A YOUTH COMPONENT OF THE SOUTHEAST AUSTIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. IT'S A PROJECT GRANT FUNDED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES. AND WHAT WE DO IS WE'RE A PROJECT THAT FOCUS PRIMARILY ON THE 78744 AREA CODE, SOUTHEAST AUSTIN. WHAT WE DO IS WE UTILIZE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS TO BUILD CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP. AND ACTUALLY THESE MEMBERS HAVE DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB. WE'VE BEEN REAL BUSY THE LAST MONTH. WE'VE HAD THE TEEN SUMMIT THAT WAS HELD AT A STATEWIDE TEEN SUMMIT THAT RECOGNIZES ALL OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEES THROUGHOUT THE STATE. IT WAS HELD AT ST. EDWARD'S UNIVERSITY. THE STUDENTS CAME THERE AND FELLOWSHIPED WITH OTHER MEMBERS

AND THEY HAD LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS AND IT WAS LIKE A SMALL THINK TANK FOR THE ORGANIZATION. AT THE END OF JULY WE ALSO HAD THE HEALTH FAIR, THE COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR HELD AT THE DOVE SPRINGS RECREATIONAL CENTER AND THAT WAS A REAL GOOD PROJECT TO WORK IN BECAUSE IT OFFERED THE COMMUNITY FREE IMMUNIZATIONS, IT OFFERED FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS. THERE WAS ALSO A DENTAL VAN THERE. THE CANCER SOCIETY, THERE WERE -- SETON HOSPITAL WHERE YOU COULD HAVE YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED, YOU COULD HAVE VARIOUS THINGS. ALSO IT JUST HELPED OUT AS FAR AS UTILIZING SOME OF THE THINGS THAT GOES ON IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE KIDS REALLY PLAYED A BIG PART IN THAT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE MEMBERS. HERE IS DEVON LOFTON. [APPLAUSE] NEXT IS ASHANTE LOFTON. [APPLAUSE] LEKESHIA JOHNSON. [APPLAUSE] VERONICA SOLIZ. [APPLAUSE] CHRISTIAN NUNEZ. [APPLAUSE] KYRA DOLFUS. [APPLAUSE] AND TECOL, DOLFUS. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: ONE LAST ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THESE GREAT YOUNG MEN. [APPLAUSE] OKAY. I THINK IS VALERIE PIPER HERE? AM I PRONOUNCING THAT RIGHT, VALERIE? PLEASE COME JOIN ME. I EVEN REMEMBER DOING THIS LAST YEAR.

SO DO I.

Mayor Wynn: THIS IS NATIONAL PAYROLL WEEK, AND WE HAVE A PROCLAMATION. FOR THOSE OF US WHO WORRY ABOUT OUR WEEKLY CHECKS. [LAUGHTER] BE IT KNOWN THAT WHEREAS PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS SUPPORT OUR WORKERS BY PAYING WAGES, REPORTING WORKER EARNINGS AND WITHHOLDING FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT TAXES IN COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS AND WHEREAS PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS ALSO PLAY A KEY ROLE IN MAINTAINING AUSTIN'S ECONOMIC HEALTH BY PAYING INTO THE INSURANCE SYSTEM, BY TAKING CARE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AND TAKING CARE OF TAX WITHHOLDING AND DEPOSITING. WHEREAS IT'S PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE TO RECOGNIZE THE VALUABLE WORK OF PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS ON BEHALF OF OUR NATION'S 140 MILLION WORKERS DURING THE WEEK

THAT INCLUDES LABOR DAY. WE ESPECIALLY HONOR THOSE WHO BELONG TO OUR LOCAL CENTEX CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN PAYROLL ASSOCIATION, SO NOW THEREFORE I, WILL..... WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO HERE BY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER SIXTH THROUGH 10th AS NATIONAL PAYROLL WEEK AND WOULD ASK VALERIE PIPER TO PLEASE SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION, THE WORK THAT THEY DO. OBVIOUSLY SORT OF UNSUNG, BUT THOSE OF US WHO DO THE 140 MILLION OF US WORKING AMERICANS, DO GREATLY APPRECIATE IT. VALERIE, PLEASE A FEW WORDS. THANK YOU. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING THEM.

THE CENTEX CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN PAYROLL ASSOCIATION IS A GROUP THAT FURTHERS THE PAYROLL PROFESSION THROUGH EDUCATION OF ITS MEMBERS, EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS DO. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MAYOR WILL WYNN AND THE ESTEEMED CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS ON BEHALF OF THE THOUSANDS OF PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS WHO ENSURE THAT WORKERS ARE PAID ACCURATELY WE HOPE MOST OF THE TIME, RIGHT, AND ON TIME EVERY PAYDAY. THE SAME PROFESSIONALS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT COMPANIES ARE -- REMAIN IN COMPLIANCE AND STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE MYRIAD OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE WITHHOLDING SYSTEM. THE NATIONAL PAYROLL WEEK THEME, AMERICA WORKS BECAUSE WE'RE WORKING FOR AMERICA, HIGHLIGHTS THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE PAYROLL INDUSTRY TO OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY. THROUGH THE PAYROLL WITHHOLDING SYSTEM, PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS COLLECT, REPORT AND DEPOSIT NEARLY 70% OF THE DOLLARS FLOWING INTO THE U.S. TREASURY. IT IS FOR THIS EFFORT THAT THE CENTEX CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN PAYROLL ASSOCIATION WISHES TO HONOR ITS MEMBERS AND ALL THE PAYROLL PROFESSIONALS IN AMERICA FOR A JOB WELL DONE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A QUICK BREAK FOR A COUPLE OF PHOTOGRAPHS AND THEN COME HAS OUR -- COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken HAS YOUR LAST PROCLAMATION. PHOTOS FIRST. [APPLAUSE]

McCracken: IT'S A VERY BIG MOMENT FOR KERRY WYNN, THE TOOTH FAIRY TODAY. WE EVERY MONTH OR TWO MONTHS WE ANNOUNCE WHAT THE UNITED WAY DOES EVERY MONTH, WHICH IS TO IDENTIFY THE VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH. AND SO TODAY WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE THAT WILL MAKE THE REST OF US FEEL LIKE COMPLETE SLACKERS OUT HERE. AND I'M GOING TO CALL FIRST RAY KELLER, WHO IS OUR JULY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]. RAY, I THINK OF YOU AS A BODY DOUBLE. ANYWHERE I GO IN TOWN. AND WE HAVE ANNE STAFF FORD WITH AMD, RIGHT, AUSTIN,..... ANNE. AND SHE IS OUR POINT PERSON FOR UNITED WAY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH AND SHE'S GOING TO TELL US A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT RAY. WE'LL HEAR FROM RAY AND READ THE PROCLAMATION. ANNE?

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. WELL, BREWSTER'S RIGHT WHEN HE SAYS THAT RAY KELLER MAKES US FEEL LIKE SLACKERS. I SAT HERE AND DID A QUICK CALCULATION, AND IN 15 YEARS, RAY KELLER HAS DELIVERED OVER 7,700 MEALS. [APPLAUSE] TO HOMEBOUND AND ELDERLY IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. ON THE AFERLG HE PUTS IN -- AVERAGE HE PUTS IN ABOUT 140 HOURS A YEAR, BUT HE DOES A LOT MORE THAN DELIVER MEALS FOR MEALS ON WHEELS AND MORE. HE ALSO IS THE GO-TO GUY WHEN THE SUMMER HEAT STARTS ENDANGERING LIVES FOR ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND PEOPLE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. HE TRAINS VOLUNTEERS TO INSTALL AIR CONDITIONERS AND HELPS FIND THOSE AIR CONDITIONERS TO BE INSTALLED, AND DOES A LOT OF THEM HIMSELF. HE MAKES SURE THAT HIS COMPLIANTS, THE PEOPLE HE DELIVERS TO, HAVE SAFE HOMES, THAT THEY HAVE SECURE GRAB BARS IN THEIR BATDZ ROOMS. THAT THE LIGHT BULBS HAVE BEEN CHANGED BECAUSE A LOT OF THESE FOLKS CAN'T GET TO A LIGHT BULB TO CHANGE IT, ESPECIALLY A CEILING LIGHT. HE GOES OUT ON CALLS WHENEVER MEALS ON WHEELS -- AND WE HAVE A COUPLE OF FOLKS FROM MEALS ON WHEELS TODAY. WE HAVE SUE ELLEN MILLS AND MARY KAY PETERS WHO WILL TESTIFY TO THE FACT THAT THIS MAN HAS MADE A REAL DIFFERENCE OVER THE LAST 15 YEARS TO A NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. AND WE SHOULD ALL BE GRATEFUL TO RAY'S SERVICE. OBVIOUSLY HE'S GOT A

FAN CLUB. [LAUGHTER] [APPLAUSE]

McCracken: RAY, COULD YOU COME UP AND TELL US A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT YOU DO AND WHY YOU DO IT AND JUST TELL US A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT YOUR..... YOURSELF?

I'M RAY KELLER, AS Y'ALL KNOW. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]. I WANT TO THANK MEALS A WHEELS AND MORE, AND ESPECIALLY SUE ELLEN AND MARRY FOR NOMINATING ME FOR THIS AWARD. IT'S A GREAT HONOR. I'M VERY PROUD OF IT. THE ORGANIZATION THAT THEY HAVE IS FANTASTIC. I ABSOLUTELY LOVE IT. LIKE I SAID, I'VE BEEN DOING IT ALMOST 15 YEARS, AND I'M GOING TO DO IT UNTIL I CAN'T DRIVE ANY MORE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE FAMILY AND THE FRIENDS THAT ARE HERE, ESPECIALLY MY WIFE, COLLEEN. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]. AND THIS WEEKEND WE'RE HAVING A HANDY WHEELS WORKSHOP, AND WE'VE GOT AIR CONDITIONERS STACKED TO THE CEILING IN THE ENTRYWAY AT MEALS ON WHEELS RIGHT NOW. AND ANY VOLUNTEERS THAT WANT TO COME, I'LL BE GLAD TO TAKE YOU OUT WITH ME. [LAUGHTER] Y'ALL CAN CALL MEALS ON WHEELS TOMORROW AND LET THEM KNOW. THANK Y'ALL VERY MUCH. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE].

McCracken: SINCE COLLEEN IS THE MEALS ON WHEEL WIDOW, WE HAVE TO GET THEM TOGETHER HERE. HALF LAUGH..... LAUGHTER] YOU KNOW, IN AUSTIN WE ALWAYS ASPIRE TO BE A DIFFERENT KIND OF CITY. IN 1861 WHEN TEXAS VOTED TO SE SEED FROM THE UNION, AUSTIN VOTED TO SE SEED FROM TEXAS AND REMAIN IN THE UNITED STATES. WE'VE BEEN MARCHING TO A DIFFERENT DRUMMER EVER SINCE. WE LOOK OUT FOR OUR OWN, WE TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER AND WE ASPIRE TO BE A BETTER KIND OF A COMMUNITY. AND IT REALLY IS BECAUSE OF FOLKS LIKE RAY THAT THAT'S POSSIBLE. AND SO IT'S A REAL PRIVILEGE, RAY, TO HAVE YOU HERE. I WANT TO READ MAYOR WYNN'S CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS. THIS IS A CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS FOR HAVING BEEN SELECTED BY THE UNITED WAY CAPITAL AREA AT THE JULY 2004 VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH, RAY KELLER IS DESERVING OF PUBLIC ACCLAIM AND RECOGNITION. NOMINATED BY MEALS ON WHEELS AND MORE, RAY PERSONPHIZE MEAL DELIVERY PLUS. SINCE 1991 RAY HAS

BEEN DELIVERING 10 MEALS TO HOMEBOUND AND ELDERLY CLIENTS EACH WEEK. STARTING IN 1995 HE BEGAN DOING MORE, BY INSTALLING NEEDED ITEMS LIKE GRAB BARS, DOOR BELLS, SMOKE ALARMS AND LIGHT BULBS FOR CLIENTS. NOT SATISFIED, RAY BECAME INSTRUMENTAL IN GETTING AIR CONDITIONER INSTALLATION ON THE MANY SERVICES THAT MEALS ON WHEELS OFFERS. NOW HE EVEN TRAINS FELLOW VOLUNTEERS ON INSTALLING THEM LIKE THIS SATURDAY, FOR INSTANCE, AND WE ARE PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE RAY'S PASSION FOR HIS VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES AND THE LOVE HE SHARES WITH HIS CLIENTS WITH THIS CERTIFICATE PRESENTED THIS 12TH DAY OF AUGUST IN THE YEAR 2004, THE CITY COUNCIL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, THE GREATEST CITY IN AMERICA, WILL WYNN, MAYOR. RAY, CONGRATULATIONS. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE] F [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE] F CLEAR..... AND WE'RE NOT STOPPING THERE BECAUSE WE ALSO HAVE THE UNITED WAY'S AUGUST VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH, AND THAT'S PAULA COOPWOOD. AND ONCE AGAIN, ANNE STAFF FORD IS GOING TO TELL US -- INTRODUCE PAULA TO US AND THEN PAULA WILL TELL US ABOUT HERSELF AND WHAT SHE DOES. SO COME ON UP, PAULA. ANNE, CAN YOU TAKE OVER AGAIN?

I WILL, THANKS. I ALWAYS TAKE OVER. BEFORE I TELL YOU ABOUT PAULA, I WANT TO INVITE EVERYONE WHO IS HERE AND EVERYONE WHO IS LISTENING THAT IT'S NOT VOLUNTEERING CURRENTLY TO VISIT THE VOLUNTEER CENTER'S WEBSITE, WHICH IS VOLUNTEERAUSTIN.ORG. IT COULDN'T BE SIMPLER AND THEY MAKE IT VERY EASY. AND I HOPE THAT RAY AND PAULA WILL INSPIRE YOU TO LOG ON AND CHECK IT OUT BECAUSE THERE'S SOME WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES OUT THERE. PAULA COOPWOOD IS ONE OF THOSE AMAZING PEOPLE WHOSE COMMITMENT HAS EXCEEDED WHAT ANY OF US EVER DREAMED POSSIBLE. OVER THE LAST I BELIEVE IT'S 23 YEARS THAT SHE'S BEEN VOLUNTEERING -- CAN'T BELIEVE THAT, CAN YOU? SHE STARTED WHEN SHE WAS FOUR. OVER THE LAST 23 YEARS SINCE SHE'S BEEN VOLUNTEERING WITH THE AUSTIN MUSEUM OF ART FESTIVAL PROGRAM, SHE HAS DONATED OVER 10,000 HOURS. THAT IS THE EQUIVALENT OF FIVE FULL-TIME WORK YEARS. IT'S AMAZING. HER CO-VOLUNTEERS AND THE STAFF AT THE MUSEUM SAY THAT

PAULA, THERE IS NOTHING ABOVE OR BENEATH PAULA'S CAPABILITIES, THAT SHE WILL PICK UP TRASH ONE MINUTE AND MAKE A HIGH LEVEL DECISION THE NEXT MINUTE AND ASK SOMEBODY FOR A BIG CHECK ON BEHALF OF THE MUSEUM THE NEXT MINUTE. SHE IS PART OF THAT AMAZING GROUP THAT SEES TO IT THAT THE ARTS IN AUSTIN, TEXAS ARE ALIVE AND THEY'RE VIBRANT AND THAT ARTISTS HAVE AN OUTLET AND A COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT. AND THAT IS CLEARLY PART OF WHAT MAKES THIS CITY SO UNIQUE. SO PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING PAULA WOOPWOOD FOR HER -- COOPWOOD FOR HER GREAT HELP. [APPLAUSE]

McCracken: PAULA, IF YOU COULD COME UP AND TELL US A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE DONE AND WHY YOU DO IT.

I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE FESTIVAL SINCE '81. AND MY FIRST EXPERIENCE AT THE FESTIVAL WAS WITH MY HUSBAND. I HAD NEVER BEEN TO AN ART FESTIVAL EVER IN MY LIFE AND MY HUSBAND SAID -- AT THAT TIME WE WEREN'T MARRIED. AND HE SAID LET'S GO TO THE FESTIVAL AND I WANT TO SHOW YOU THIS ART SHOW. IT'S REALLY GREAT. I ABSOLUTELY LOVED IT. WHEN I LEFT THAT EVENING I TOLD MY HUSBAND I HAVE TO GET INVOLVED WITH THIS FESTIVAL AND I'VE BEEN INVOLVED EVER SINCE. IT'S A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT THE LOCAL ARTISTS, NOT JUST LOCAL, BUT NATIONAL ARTISTS. IT'S A GREAT WAY TO REPRESENT ALL ARTS. AND I JUST LOVE THE EVENT, BEEN INVOLVED IN THE EVENT, AND THANKS SO MUCH FOR BEING RECOGNIZED THIS EVENING. [APPLAUSE]

McCracken: ONE THING WE SAW THIS EVENING IS WHAT WE GET TO SEE HERE EVERY THURSDAY, AND THAT IS THE IMPACT OF HOW DIVERSE OUR ARTS COMMUNITY IS JUST IN MUSIC. WE HAD A STRING QUARTET AND WE HAD THE CHIS SHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO WHICH IS ONE OF THE BEST MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS IN THE COUNTRY. WE HAD ANOTHER HIGH SCHOOL BAND. WE'VE HAD CHOIRS, THE ARTS REALLY PERMANENT 80'S THIS COMMUNITY. AND -- PERMANENT '80S THIS COMMUNITY. AND THEATER, ACTUALLY PAINTING, EVERYTHING. BUT WHEN PAULA, SHE'S OUT THERE DOING THAT HARD WORK TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE ARTS TO THRIVE, IT'S REALLY A CENTRAL PART OF OUR QUALITY OF LIFE IN AUSTIN. PAULA

AND EVERYONE WHO HELPS ON THAT WE OWE A BIG DEBT OF GRATITUDE. HERE WE START TONIGHT. THE CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS FOR HAVING BASKETBALL SELECTED BY THE UNITED WAY CAPITAL AREA AS THE AUGUST 2004 VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH, PAULA COOPWOOD IS DESERVING THE PUBLIC ACCLAIM AND RECOGNITION. AS HER 23 YEARS AND THOUSANDS OF HOURS TO THE AUSTIN FINE ARTS FESTIVAL INDICATE, SHE IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTER AND DEDICATED WORKER ON BEHALF OF THE ARTS IN AUSTIN. PAULA SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF ALMOST EVERY ARTS FESTIVAL COMMITTEE AND HAS SERVED AS OVERALL FESTIVAL CHAIRMAN FOR AN UNPRECEDENTED THREE TERMS. IN 1998, 2003 AND 2004. OUR COMMUNITY HAS ALSO BENEFITTED FROM HER SERVICE TO THE TREMD MEDICAL ALLIANCE, THE SETTLEMENT HOME, THE JUNIOR LEAGUE AND AQUA FESTIVAL. WE ARE PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE PAULA'S TIRELESS DEDICATION AND ENERGY WITH THIS CERTIFICATE PRESENTED ON THIS 12TH DAY OF AUGUST IN THE YEAR 2004, THE CITY COUNCIL OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WILL WYNN, MAYOR. PAULA, CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] [APPLAUSE] .

Mayor Wynn: THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT, AT THIS TIME I'LL CALL BACK TO ORDER THE MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. COUNCIL, IF YOU REMEMBER, WE HAD DONE OUR POSTPONEMENTS PRIOR TO THE 5:30 BREAK AND NOW WE'LL TAKE UP DISCUSSION ITEM Z-4 AND Z-5. AND WE'LL WELCOME MS. ALICE GLASGO.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS. WE'RE ON TO ITEM NUMBER Z-4. AND ITEM Z-4 IS CASE NUMBER C-14-04-35, NAMELY THE EPPRIGHT 12-ACRE TRACT. THIS CASE IS LOCATED AT 9300 THROUGH 9800 BLOCK OF RM 620. THE EXISTING ZONING IS INTERIM RURAL RESIDENTIAL. THE APPLICANT IS SEEKING A CHANGE TO SINGLE-FAMILY 6. 6, WHICH STANDS FOR TOWNHOUSE AND CONDOMINIUM DISTRICT. THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND THAT OF THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION IS TO GRANT SINGLE-FAMILY 6 WITH A CONDITIONAL OVERLAY. THIS CASE HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. THEY PREVIOUSLY HAD A PETITION, BUT THAT HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN, SO NONE EXISTS AT THIS POINT. WE HAVE AN ORDINANCE READY THAT REFLECTS WHAT HAS BEEN

RECOMMENDED AND AGREED TO BY ALL PARTIES AND IS READY FOR ALL THREE READINGS. I WILL PROBABLY JUST PAUSE HERE AND RESPOND TO QUESTIONS AS THEY MAY ARISE. THIS CASE WAS ON YOUR AGENDA A WEEK AGO. IT WAS POSTPONED TO TONIGHT BECAUSE MR. ZIMMERMAN WITH NORTHWEST AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT ASKED FOR A POSTPONEMENT IN ORDER TO BE HERE WITH OTHER PEOPLE TO SPEAK. SO I'LL PAUSE HERE AND RESPOND TO QUESTIONS AFTER WE HEAR FROM THE APPLICANT AND THE CITIZENS. THANK YOU, MAYOR.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. FLAS CO-. -- GLASGO. SO AT THIS TIME, COUNCIL, WE'LL HEAR THE FIVE-MINUTE PRESENTATION BY THE APPLICANT TO BE FOLLOWED BY CITIZENS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR OF THE ZONING CASE, FOLLOWED BY CITIZENS IN OPPOSITION AND THEN THE APPLICANT WILL HAVE A THREE-MINUTE REBUTTAL.

MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBER, MY NAME IS PAUL LINEHAN AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING FRED EPPRIGHT ON A 12-ACRE PIECE OFF OF HIGHWAY 620 IN THE CANYON CREEK SUBDIVISION. I'VE BEEN FORTUNATE TO WORK ON THIS MASTER PLAN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS AND DID THE INITIAL ROAD LAYOUT. IN THIS PAST DECEMBER THE CITY DECIDED TO GO AHEAD AND ANNEX THE PROPERTY BETWEEN 620 IN THE CANYON CREEK SUBDIVISION. AND BECAUSE OF THAT MR. EPPRIGHT DECIDED IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO GO AHEAD AND ZONE THE PROPERTY, AND WE PUT IN A ZONING REQUEST FOR SF-6 BECAUSE WE WANTED TO GO IN AND DO A DETAILED SITE PLAN, ONE-LOT SUBDIVISION BECAUSE WE FELT LIKE IT WOULD BE COMPATIBLE TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SINCE THAT TIME WE HAVE MET WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ON MANY OCCASIONS, AND WE WENT TO THE -- WE WENT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND GOT A CONSENT VOTE, 8-0 AFTER WE READ OUR LETTER AGREEMENT THAT WE HAD WORKED OUT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD INTO THE RECORD. SINCE THAT TIME WE HAVE WRITTEN A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAS SIGNED, AND SOME OF THE ISSUES ON THAT ARE THAT WE'LL PROVIDE A 75-FOOT SET BACK FROM THE BACK OF THE YARDS ON THE BORDERING PROPERTY, THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO LOOK AT OUR SITE PLAN WHEN WE BRING IT IN. WE HAVE A CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN THAT

WE'VE ALREADY GIVE ENTHEM THAT WE WILL USE THE EXISTING SITE TOPOGRAPHY FOR DRAINAGE AND LIMIT IT TO ONE AND TWO-STORY HOMES. THERE'S A CEF ON THE PROPERTY THAT WE WILL SET BACK FROM ACCORDING TO THE CITY REGULATIONS. WE ARE PUTTING IN A GATED COMMUNITY, SO THE STREETS WILL BE PRIVATE. THE RESIDENTIAL UNITS ARE 59 UNITS, ALTHOUGH ACCORDING TO THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE, YOU CAN PUT IN 94 SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS. AND WE WILL DO 75% MASONRY ON THE HOMES, 50% ON THE SECOND FLOOR, AND THEN WE'LL DO 25-YEAR ROOFS AND THEN WE'LL ALSO POST SIGNS TO LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT THERE ARE CHILDREN PLAYING IN THE AREA. AND IT DIDN'T JUST HAPPEN BY ACCIDENT THAT WE GOT THE NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPORT. WE WORKED VERY DILIGENTLY AND I JUST WOULD LIKE TO ADD THAT WE FELT LIKE WE DID A GOOD JOB. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN PLANNING A LOT OF THE SINGLE-FAMILY -- THE MULTI-FAMILY HOMES UP ALONG 620 AND SO WE HAVE DONE A TREE SURVEY. AND THIS IS THE DRAWING OF THE CENTRAL SITE PLAN. THOSE TREES ON THERE ARE REAL TREES. THE ROADWAYS ARE LAID OUT TO FOLLOW THE WATER MAINS THAT ARE IN THE AREA, AND THE HOMES ARE SET BACK TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SO WE HAVE FULL SUPPORT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, FULL SUPPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AND WE'RE HERE TONIGHT TO REQUEST YOUR FULL SUPPORT FROM THE CITY COUNCIL. AND I'D LIKE TO REITERATE THAT THE REASON WE CAME IN IS BECAUSE THE CITY ANNEXED THIS PROPERTY AT THE END OF DECEMBER AND IT CAME IN UNDER RURAL RESIDENTIAL AND WE WANTED TO GO AHEAD AND GET THE PROPER ZONING, AND WE FELT LIKE SF-6 WAS A GOOD TRANSITION ZONING TO THE SF-2. AS I MENTIONED, THERE IS A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT WORKED OUT THAT WE BELIEVE IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SO IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THOSE AT THIS TIME.

Mayor Wynn: MR. LINEHAN CAN YOU SHOW ON THE PREVIOUS GRAPHIC THE SITE?

YES, I'M SORRY I DIDN'T DO IT.

Mayor Wynn: YOU MIGHT WANT TO USE THE MIC SO MR.

CHAPA CAN PICK YOU UP.

THIS IS BOULDER LANE THAT GOES THROUGH. IT'S THE MAIN ARTERIAL COMING OFF OF HIGHWAY 620. THERE'S A CHURCH HERE RIGHT NOW. THIS IS SAVANNAH RIDGE THAT WAS PUNCHED OUT TO SERVICE THIS AREA. AND THERE'S ANOTHER SAVANNAH RIDGE THAT WAS PUNCHED OUT AT THIS LOCATION. AND THE IDEA WAS TO TIE THESE TWO TOGETHER, BUT ECHO RESOURCES OWNS THIS LAND HERE AND WE COULD NOT CUT ACROSS THEIR PROPERTY WITH A PUBLIC ROAD. THEY WANTED TO LEAVE THEIR PROPERTY INTACT. SO WE WERE COMING OFF OF SAVANNAH RIDGE AND DOING A LOOP SYSTEM SO IT COMES BACK OUT INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND SO THIS IS THE SITE THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT THAT'S 12 ACRES NEXT TO THESE RESIDENCES. AND THESE ARE THE PARTICULAR RESIDENTS THAT WE MET WITH ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS TO WORK OUT THAT RESTRICTIVE COVENANT. THESE ARE PRIMARILY APARTMENT COMPLEXES. THERE'S A MOBILE HOME -- EXCUSE ME. MOBILE STORAGE UNIT BEING PUT IN RIGHT HERE AND A PLAN FOR MULTI-FAMILY ON THIS LOCATION. SO WE WANTED TO PUT SOMETHING ON OUR TRACT THAT WAS COMPATIBLE TO THE MULTI-FAMILY THAT WE'LL BE NEXT TO IN THE FUTURE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. [BUZZER SOUNDS].

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF THE APPLICANT, COUNCIL? IF NOT, WE'LL GO TO THE CARDS OF FOLKS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR OF THE ZONING CASE. FIRST CARD LOOKS LIKE DAVID RICHTER OR RICHTER.

YOUR HONOR, AND COUNCIL, I'M NOT DAVID CRIDER, BUT DAVID HAD TO LEAVE AND SO I'LL BE SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS OF SAVANNAH RIDGE. MOST OF WHOM WERE PARTICIPANTS IN THE ORIGINAL PETITION THAT WAS BEFORE YOU. OVER THE COURSE OF MANY, MANY MONTHS, WE HAVE WORKED TIRELESSLY IN AN EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT THE NEIGHBORS WERE PROPERLY REPRESENTED AND THAT THE CONCERNS OF THE NEIGHBORS WERE ADDRESSED PROPERLY BY THE DEVELOPER IN THIS MATTER. WE SET UP AN ORIGINAL MEETING, FOUR FOLLOW-UP MEETINGS AND SUBSEQUENTLY MET WITH THE

DEVELOPER ON TWO DIFFERENT OCCASIONS, HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK THE DEVELOPER AND ADDRESS OUR CONCERNS. THE PRIMARY CONCERNS WERE THE FACT THAT WE WANTED TO ENSURE THAT WE HAD SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES NEXT TO US. THAT WE HAD A SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF SET BACK TO ENSURE THAT OUR PROPERTY VALUE WAS MAINTAINED. THAT WE HAD A NICE NEIGHBORHOOD NEXT TO US. THAT WAS CONSISTENT WITH OURS. IT HAD THE SAME AMOUNT OF MASONRY ON THE EXTERIOR SO IT WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THAT THERE WAS PRESERVATION OF THE TREES. THAT THERE WAS ADEQUATE CLEANUP DURING THE CONSTRUCTION. THAT WE HAD PROTECTION OF THE CAVE ON THE LAND. THAT THERE WAS A GATE TO ENSURE THAT THE CHILDREN THAT LIVE ON SAVANNAH RIDGE WERE SAFE AS WELL. WE ULTIMATELY COMBINED THE PRIMARY CONCERNS OF OURS INTO A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT. THE NEIGHBORS ALSO HAD A CONCERN ABOUT THE M.U.D. ISSUE. ALL OF THE CANYON CREEK HOMEOWNERS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT CANYON CREEK'S DOUBLE TAXATION THAT HAS RESULTED FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S ANNEXATION OF THE M.U.D. INFRASTRUCTURE WITHOUT ASSUMING THE DEBT. IT HAS CAUSED AN INCREDIBLE BURDEN ON OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THAT BEING SAID, WE ASK THE COUNCIL RESPECTFULLY TO HONOR THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT WE HAVE REACHED, THAT WE HAVE WORKED SO TIRELESSLY TO REACH, REGARDLESS OF WHAT YOU DO WITH REGARD TO THE M.U.D. WE BELIEVE THAT ENSURE THAT EACH OF THE AGREEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT WILL PRESERVE OUR CURRENT PROPERTY VALUES AND WE ASK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. CRUMP. ERIC PENN SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK IF COUNCIL HAD QUESTIONS, BUT IN FAVOR OF THE ZONING CASE. THANK YOU, MR. PENN. COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL THE CITIZENS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR. WE'LL NOW GO TO THE CARDS OF FOLKS IN OPPOSITION. DON ZIMMERMAN, WELCOME, MR. ZIMMERMAN. LET'S SEE, IS SCOTT SEXTON HERE? HELLO, SCOTT, HOW ARE YOU? LOOKS LIKE ASH (INDISCERNIBLE). HELLO, SIR. WELCOME. AND FRANK RILEY. IS HE HERE? OKAY. SO MR. ZIMMERMAN, YOU'LL HAVE UP TO 12 MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT.

OKAY, THANKS, BUT I DON'T THINK WE'LL SNEED THAT MUCH. LET ME BRING SOME DOCUMENTS TO YOU QUICKLY. SO THANK YOU MR. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS. I FIND MYSELF IN VIOLENT AGREEMENT WITH KAREN. THEY DID WORK VERY, VERY HARD, THE SAVANNAH RIDGE RESIDENTS. I THINK THEY DID A REALLY GOOD JOB PUTTING TOGETHER SOME COVENANT RESTRICTIONS. AND TO ME IT MAKES A LOT OF SENSE FOR THE DEVELOPER AND FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD WHAT THEY'VE DONE. THE ONLY REASON I'M HERE IS BECAUSE WE HAVE AN ISSUE WITH THE M.U.D. ANNEXATION, SO REALLY THE M.U.D.'S OPPOSITION TO THE ZONE I THINK IS LIMITED TO THE M.U.D. ANNEXATION. SO WE HAVE CONCERNS THAT IF THE ZONING GOES THROUGH AS PLANNED, THERE WILL BE SOME PROPERTY VALUE, SOME PROPERTY VALUES DIMINISH ALONG THE SAVANNAH RIDGE AREA. THERE WILL BE A LOT MORE TRAFFIC IN THERE, IT'S A LOT MORE DESIRABLE. YOU HAVE SMALL CHILDREN PLAYING IN YOUR YARD. THERE WILL BE SOME PROPERTY VALUE DECREASE. AND THAT BURDEN WILL HAVE TO BE PICKED UP BY OTHER M.U.D. TAXPAYERS. WE HAVE ABOUT 1200 HOMES IN THE ENTIRE M.U.D. THERE'S ANOTHER ISSUE ABOUT FAIRNESS, AND KAREN BROUGHT THIS UP AS WELL ABOUT HOW THIS NEIGHBORHOOD HAS TWO AD VALOREM MUNICIPAL TAXES. WE HAVE THE CITY TAX, WHICH CAME IN IN JANUARY OF 1988. AND THEN THE M.U.D. TAX CAME IN IN MARCH OF 1988. SO ACTUALLY, I THINK WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU APPROVE THE ZONING, ENCOURAGING THE PARTIES TO ADD SOMETHING. IN THE HANDOUTS I GAVE YOU ON THE SECOND PAGE I'VE GOT A LITTLE THING THAT SAYS THE SOLUTION. AND WHAT WE WANT TO DO IS WE'D LIKE TO ADD TO THOSE COVENANT RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE ALREADY IN PLACE A SENTENCE THAT SAYS THIS TRACT, BY VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT BY ITS OWNERS, BE ANNEXED INTO THE JURISDICTION OF THE NORTHWEST AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NUMBER 1. IF YOU LOOK AT THE MAP UP HERE, THERE'S AN EXISTING STREET, SAVANNAH RIDGE, WITH EXISTING HOMES, THAT ARE PAYING BOTH CITY AND M.U.D. TAXES TODAY. AND THE M.U.D. TAX GOES TO PAYING OFF INFRASTRUCTURE. SO ALL WE WANT IN THE NAME OF FAIRNESS IS TO HAVE THIS ADDITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE M.U.D. SO THAT ALL THE HOMES ON SAVANNAH RIDGE ALL HAVE THE SAME

TAX SITUATION. AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, WE HAVE A LEGAL CASE PENDING ON THE TAXATION ISSUE. WE'D LIKE TO SEE THE M.U.D. TAX GO AWAY FOR EVERYONE, BUT UNTIL THAT HAPPENS, WE'RE ASKING THAT ANY PROPERTIES THAT CONNECT TO M.U.D. SUBSIDIZED INFRASTRUCTURE SHARE THE M.U.D. TAX BURDEN TO HELP US PAY OFF THE -- UNTIL WE CAN GET RID OF THE M.U.D. DEBT. HOWEVER WE DO IT. I JUST QUICKLY WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THIS THING HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR A LONG, LONG, LONG TIME. AND I INCLUDED IN YOUR HANDOUT A LETTER FROM A MR. JACK STUBER. HE'S BEEN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD SINCE ABOUT 1990. AND MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED FOR YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS TO GET SOME HELP ON THIS SITUATION. ONE OF OUR PAGES HERE, THERE ARE SOME QUOTATIONS FOR SOME PEOPLE RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL. I BELIEVE THIS WAS IN '96 -- '94, '96 SOME OF THESE COMMENTS WERE TAKEN. AND I WANT TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO ONE FROM A CERTAIN KIRK WATSON, AND I WANT TO QUOTE FROM THIS. IT SAYS, I DO NOT KNOW WHY THE CITY COUNCIL HAS NOT DIRECTED CITY MANAGEMENT TO EITHER ASSUME OUR M.U.D. DEBTOR FOR GO YOUR CITY TAXES. THE FIRST I HEARD ABOUT THE ISSUE WAS IN YOUR LETTER. HE SAYS, CERTAINLY HAVING TO PAY BOTH M.U.D. TAXES AND CITY TAXES ON TOP OF YOUR ROUND ROCK SCHOOL TAXES IS A VERY DIFFICULT BURDEN. BASED ON THIS INFORMATION, IT IS CLOOR THAT SOME KIND OF REMEDY TO THIS PROBLEM IS NEEDED. AND AS MAYOR I CAN PROMISE THAT MY OFFICE WILL BE RESPONSIVE TO YOUR CONCERNS. SO WE'VE HAD NUMEROUS PROMISES. WE'VE HAD A STATE REPRESENTATIVE PROMISE TO HELP US. AND I'VE BEEN EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED WITH THE LACK OF HELP THERE. ALSO, MARK STRAUNA. I WANT TO THANK MARK. HE HAS REALLY WORKED VERY HARD, I THINK, FOR THE M.U.D. TAXPAYERS. I WANT TO COMMEND HIM FOR HIS EFFORTS. AND HE HAD A LETTER -- I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE RECEIVED THIS LETTER THAT HE WROTE. I HAVE ONE COPY HERE WITH ME. YEAH. MARK, IF YOU COULD -- DO YOU HAVE SOME EXTRA COPIES WITH YOU? THANKS A LOT. HE'S WRITTEN A NICE LETTER TOO I THINK THAT SUMMARIZES OUR CONCERNS. HE DID A VERY GOOD JOB. HE'S RAMPD UPPED..... UP ON THE M.U.D. HISTORY. HE'S REALLY GOOD. WE APPRECIATE HIS EFFORTS IN TRYING TO

HELP OUT. SO AGAIN JUST TO CONCLUDE MY COMMENTS HERE, WE'RE NOT REALLY OPPOSED TO THE ZONING. I THINK THAT THE COVENANT RESTRICTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT OUT, I THINK ARE A GOOD DEAL FOR SAVANNAH RIDGE. IT'S A GOOD DEAL FOR THE BUILDER. I THINK HE'LL DO WELL WITH THAT DEVELOPMENT. ALL WE WANT TO DO IS MAKE IT EQUITABLE FOR THE REST OF THE M.U.D., OKAY, AND JUST HAVE EVERYBODY INCLUDED IN THE SAME TAX SITUATION. THAT'S ALL WE'RE ASKING FOR. THANK YOU. DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF MR. ZIMMERMAN? THANK YOU, SIR. AND MR. MARK STRAMA SIGNED UP NOT WISHING TO SPEAK, NEUTRAL, BUT ASKING US TO PLEASE READ THE WRITTEN TESTIMONY. THANK YOU. SO COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL THE CITIZENS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR , AGAINST OR NEUTRAL, SO TYPICALLY WE HAVE A THREE-MINUTE REBUTTAL FROM THE APPLICANT. MR. LINEHAN.

MAYOR, I'LL TRY TO BE BRIEF. FIRST OF ALL, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THERE WILL BE ANY VALUE DECREASE BY WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING NEXT TO THE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES. WE SURELY DON'T THINK HAVING CHILDREN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD DECREASES PROPERTY VALUES. WE ARE TOTALLY AGAINST ANY VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT TO BE PUT INTO THE CANYON CREEK M.U.D., SEEING THAT WE WERE JUST ANNEXED INTO THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S JURISDICTION THIS PAST DECEMBER. WE'RE HERE FOR A ZONING CASE THAT IS TRIGGERED BY ANNEXATION. ON APRIL 23rd OF THIS YEAR, WE FAXED A LETTER TO MR. DON ZIMMERMAN FROM MR. EPPRIGHT, BELIEVING THAT WE WOULD RESEARCH THE ABILITY TO GET INTO THE M.U.D. WE FOUND OUT THAT THE M.U.D. HAD SUED THE CITY, SO WE BACKED OFF AND REALIZED THAT IT WAS NOT FEASIBLE FOR US TO BE IN THE M.U.D. AND I WOULD LIKE TO JUST CLOSE ON THE FACT THAT WE'RE HERE FOR A ZONING CASE ON A PARTICULAR PIECE OF LAND. WE HAVE NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPORT AND WE'VE WRITTEN A WELL DRAFTED RESTRICTIVE COVENANT, AND WE FEEL LIKE THE USE THAT WE'RE HERE FOR IS APPROPRIATE, AND WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF THE APPLICANT, COUNCIL, OR OF STAFF? OR ANYBODY ELSE?
COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken.

McCracken: YEAH. FIRST IS, MR. LINEHAN, YOU INDICATED THAT THERE IS NOT AN OPPORTUNITY TO PUT A CROSS ROAD ANYWHERE OVER THERE, THAT IT CONNECTS TO 620?

THAT'S CORRECT. IT IS ROADBLOCKED, AND ACTUALLY A PRELIMINARY PLAN ON THE OTHER SAVANNAH RIDGE IN THIS AREA HAS BEEN DESIGNED. SO PLANS HAVE GONE FORWARD ON BOTH SAVANNAH RIDGE ON THIS END AND SAVANNAH RIDGE ON THAT END NOT TO GO FORWARD.

McCracken: I CAN'T SEE THE PHOTO. I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER. I THINK CANYON CREEK HAS TWO ENTRANCES, DOES IT?

YES, THERE'S A MAJOR ENTRANCEWAY UP HERE AND THERE'S ANOTHER ENTRANCEWAY OVER HERE. CANYON CREEK GOES ALL THE WAY DOWN ALMOST TO FOUR POINTS ON 620. IT'S A LOT OF FRONTAGE ON THE HIGHWAY 620.

McCracken: IS THERE CURRENTLY ANY LIKE RESIDENCES OR COMMERCIAL WITHIN -- I'M LOOKING AT THAT LAND USE PATTERN AND I THINK WE HAVE A DISASTER COMING UP ON 620 THE WAY IT SEEMS TO BE BUILDING OUT AT THE MOMENT.

MOST OF THIS HAS BEEN APARTMENTS. THERE'S A CHURCH HERE AT THIS LOCATION NOW AND THERE'S TWO SMALL RETAIL TRACTS ON BOTH THOSE CORNERS THAT WERE ZONED. I DID THEM BACK IN THE '90'S.

McCracken: AND THIS MAY BE A QUESTION FOR STAFF. AS I UNDERSTAND, SO THIS DEVELOPMENT IS INCLUDED WITHIN THE CANYON CREEK SUBDIVISION?

NO, THIS IS NOT. IT'S A STAND ALONE TRACT. IT IS NOT PART OF THE CANYON CREEK SUBDIVISION.

McCracken: IS IT GOING TO TAP IN TO THE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM THAT WAS INSTALLED FOR THAT

SUBDIVISION?

MY UNDERSTANDING FROM OUR WATER AND WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT IS THAT AT THE TIME OF DEVELOPMENT THEY WILL REQUEST SERVICES FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AND THEY WILL ASSESS THEIR NEEDS AT THAT TIME, BUT WE WILL BE PROVIDING SERVICES BECAUSE THEY'RE IN OUR SERVICE AREA.

McCracken: THAT'S NOT WHAT I ASKED. I ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO TAP INTO THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE M.U.D. AND ALL THE RESIDENTS OF CANYON CREEK ARE PAYING FOR?

I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT, BUT NANCY, WHO IS HANDLING THE LITIGATION, IS HERE TO HELP US WITH SOME OF THOSE RESPONSES.

GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNCILMEMBERS, NANCY MATCHES WITH THE CITY LAW DEPARTMENT. THIS AFTERNOON I WAS ASKED TO LOOK INTO THAT QUESTION. SOME OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE OUT THERE IS INFRASTRUCTURE INSTALLED BY THE M.U.D. SOME OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS ALSO LINES INSTALLED BY MR. EPPRIGHT OUTSIDE OF THE DISTRICT. SO THE OTHER THING THAT THE WATER UTILITY TOLD ME WAS UNTIL THE SITE PLAN COMES IN, THEY DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHICH LINES WILL BE CONNECTED TO WHAT, BUT IN LOOKING AT THE MAPS OUT THERE, IT IS LIKELY THAT AT LEAST THE WATER WILL BE CONNECTED TO A LINE INSIDE THE SUBDIVISION AND THAT THE WASTEWATER IS POSSIBLY CONNECTING TO A LINE MR. EPPRIGHT PUT IN OR THE DEVELOPER OF THIS PROPERTY PUT IN.

McCracken: WHAT ARE -- WHAT OPTIONS DO WE HAVE CONCERNING ANYONE WHO USES THAT INFRASTRUCTURE CHIPPING IN TO HELP PAY FOR THE CAPITAL COSTS OF IT? IT APPEARS THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT AT LEAST WILL BE BENEFITTING FROM THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE WHOLE NEIGHBORHOOD CURRENTLY PAYS THAT SECOND FEE OR TAX ON.

THIS WOULD BE -- THESE ARE CONSIDERED CITY OF AUSTIN

WATER LINES. THEY ARE OWNED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN. THEY WILL BE TREATED LIKE ANYBODY CONNECTING TO A CITY SYSTEM, THAT INCLUDES THE PAYMENT OF CAPITAL RECOVERY FEES TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN. IT ALSO INCLUDES POSSIBLE COST REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS. IF OVER SIZING HAS TO HAPPEN. MY UNDERSTANDING IS MR. EPPRIGHT BEFORE HE COULD DEVELOP ANOTHER APARTMENT COMPLEX HAS PAID FOR ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SYSTEM OUT THERE THROUGH A COST REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY THAT REIMBURSED HIM PART OF HIS COST TO UPGRADE THE WATER SYSTEM IN THE SUBDIVISION. SO HE'S PUT ADDITIONAL CAPITAL IN TO THE SYSTEM BECAUSE WE DON'T OPERATE IT AS SEPARATE SYSTEMS. IT'S ALL ONE SYSTEM. SO HE WOULD BE TREATED AS A CUSTOMER. SO WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS? IT'S TO TREAT HIM LIKE A CUSTOMER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN UTILITY.

McCracken: I AM TROUBLED THAT -- BY THE PROSPECT THAT WE WOULD BE CHARGING A CAPITAL RECOVERY FEE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE RESIDENTS ARE PAYING FOR THROUGH THAT SECOND FEE OR TAX. I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY WOULDN'T PAY THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ACTUALLY PAYING FOR THE INFRASTRUCTURE. I MEAN, BECAUSE IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR ANYONE IN THAT SUBDIVISION OR ON THAT SYSTEM TO USE THAT INFRASTRUCTURE -- TO TAP INTO THAT INFRASTRUCTURE. IF THE RESIDENTS ARE PAYING FOR IT, I THINK IT'S TROUBLING THAT BASICALLY THE RESIDENTS WOULD BE ASKED TO SUBSIDIZE SOMEONE ELSE.

CAN I --

Slusher: I'M WORRIED THAT WE'RE STRAIG OVER INTO SOMETHING OVER WHICH WE HAVE LITIGATION. AND I WOULD BE CONCERNED THAT -- WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SOMEBODY HOOKING UP TO THE WATER LINES. I WOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT THEM HAVING TO PAY EXTRA. I THINK IF WE GO ANY FURTHER THAN THIS, WE NEED TO HAVE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Wynn: I WOULD TRUST THAT OUR CITY LAW

DEPARTMENT WOULD ADVISE US IF --

RIGHT NOW WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE, BUT IF YOU WANT POLICY OR DISCUSSIONS ABOUT STRATEGY IN THE LITIGATION, THEN BECAUSE THAT IS CORRECT, WE DO HAVE LITIGATION, WE DID PREVAIL IN THAT LITIGATION WHERE THEY FOUND IT IS NOT DOUBLE TAXATION. THAT IS THE UNDERSTANDING. AND I WOULD POINT OUT AS PART OF OUR POSITION AS THE CITY WHEN WE ARGUED THE CASE IS THAT ALL SUBDIVISIONS HAVE TO PAY FOR THIS SUBDIVISION ONE WAY OR THE OTHER, SO THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE IN OTHER SUBDIVISIONS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN CITY OF AUSTIN WHO PAID FOR THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE THROUGH EITHER INCREASED LOT COSTS OR OTHER COSTS THAT WERE PASSED ON TO THEM. THIS JUST HAPPENS TO BE THE WAY THIS IS DONE IN THIS PARTICULAR SUBDIVISION. BECAUSE THE CITY OF AUSTIN DOESN'T PAY FOR INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN A SUBDIVISION. SO THAT -- IN TERMS OF FAIRNESS AND EQUITY, THAT WAS ONE OF THE CITY'S POSITION IS WHEN YOU'RE CONNECTING TO A CITY SYSTEM IN SOME FORM OR FASHION, THE DEVELOPER PAYS FOR THAT INFRASTRUCTURE.

McCracken: YEAH. I GUESS WHAT I'M WONDERING IS THIS: IF THEY'RE TAPPING INTO INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE RESIDENTS ARE PAYING THROUGH THEIR MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT ASSESSMENT, TWO THINGS. WHY IS THE CITY GETTING THE CAPITAL RECOVERY COSTS IT'S THE NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS WHO ARE PAYING THE CAPITAL COSTS? AND THE SECOND THING IS WHAT MECHANISMS WOULD WE HAVE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE TAPPING INTO THIS SYSTEM THAT THE RESIDENTS ARE PAYING THE CAPITAL COSTS OF?

CAPITAL RECOVERY FEES GENERALLY RELATE TO THE LARGER INFRASTRUCTURE, SUCH AS OUR SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS, OUR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS, THE MAIN LINES THAT ARE COLLECTING, OUR 54-INCH CROSS TOWN TUNNEL. THOSE THINGS ARE SHARED EQUALLY AMONG ALL USERS OF THE SYSTEM. THAT'S WHAT CAPITAL RECOVERY FEES ARE FOR. WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE IS THE INTERNAL INFRASTRUCTURE. AND THE CAPITAL RECOVERY FEES ARE NOT DESIGNED TO ARE

DESIGNED FOR THAT. THAT'S NOT WHAT THEY COLLECT CAPITAL RECOVERY FEES FOR.

McCracken: THEY'RE PAYING CAPITAL RECOVERY FEES FOR STUFF OUTSIDE THE CANYON CANYON CREEK SUBDIVISION.

LIKE ANYBODY ELSE WHO HAS TO PAY FOR THE WATER SYSTEM, THE LARGE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS THAT WE HAVE, THE LARGE WATER LINES.

McCracken: I GUESS THE SECOND PART, WHAT OPTIONS DO WE HAVE IN TERMS OF IF FOLKS WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BEING PART OF THIS VERY NICE NEIGHBORHOOD, WHAT OPTIONS DO WE HAVE TO HELP SHARE THE BURDEN OF THE CAPITAL AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THEY'LL BE USING?

THAT WOULD BE A QUESTION I DON'T KNOW THE -- YOU WOULD HAVE TO ASK FOR A PRESENTATION FROM THE STAFF TO GIVE YOU THAT KIND OF INFORMATION.

McCracken: FROM WHOM?

WATER AND WASTEWATER OR THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT.
[ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

Mayor Wynn: I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM Z-4, COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER?

Slusher: MOVE APPROVAL.

SECOND. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. AND APPROVE WHAT EXACTLY, COUNCILMEMBER, HOW MANY READINGS?

Slusher: ALL THREE.

Mayor Wynn: TO APPROVE THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION, INCLUDING THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ON ALL THREE READINGS. FURTHER COMMENTS?

MAYOR, THAT RESTRICTIVE COVENANT IS A PRIVATE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IT IS NOT WHAT -- NOT WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN. IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR YOU TO APPROVE THAT. NATURE OKAY. WE DON'T NEED -- MAIRTS OKAY, WE DON'T NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE IT IN THERE --

NO, SIR.

Mayor Wynn: BEFORE WE PASS IT ON ALL THIRD READINGS, THE STAFF HAS CONFIRMED THAT IT'S BEEN FULLY EXECUTED --

Glasgo: YES, WE HAVE A COPY FOR INFORMATION --

Mayor Wynn: I SEE THE NEIGHBORHOOD NODDING.

[INAUDIBLE - NO MIC]

Mayor Wynn: YES, OKAY.

Slusher: SO IT'S FILED OR SIGNED AND IT'S CONTINGENT ON THE APPROVAL HAPPENING TONIGHT, THEN IT WILL GO INTO EFFECT.

Glasgo: CORRECT.

Slusher: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY TO APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS, COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN?

McCracken: I GUESS THAT I STILL HAD A QUESTION ON THE FLOOR THAT I THOUGHT WAS PRETTY IMPORTANT. SO IF WE ARE GOING TO DO ALL THREE READINGS I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION FIRST ABOUT WHAT THE OPTIONS ARE ABOUT HAVING THEM HOOK INTO THE CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS PAYING FOR.

Mayor Wynn: DO YOU HAVE STAFF FOR THAT HERE THIS

EVENING?

Glasgo: THEY ARE NOT HERE. THE RESPONSE WE HAD FROM THEM WAS THIS IS A ZONING CASE, WE REALLY DON'T GET INTO DETAILS OF WATER AND WASTEWATER CONNECTIONS OR THE USE OF INFRASTRUCTURE UNTIL A DEVELOPER, I'M JUST READING A RESPONSE THAT WE HAVE, FROM -- FROM A UTILITY, THAT INDICATES THE RECENTLY A 24-INCH WATER MAIN WAS EXTENDED ALONG 620 AND STARTED AT BOULDER LANE. THIS IS A PROPOSED ZONING CASE. AS OF THIS DATE THE LANDOWNER AND ENGINEER HAS NOT SUBMITTED THE WATER AND WASTEWATER PLANT TO SERVE THE SITE. GENERALLY, SUCH PLANS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AUSTIN WATER UTILITY AT THE TIME OF SUBDIVISION PLATTING OR WITH A SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR AT THE TIME THE SITE IS DEVELOPED. REGARDING WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE PLANS, HE SUGGESTS THAT MR. DON ZIMMERMAN CONTACT THE LANDOWNER OR HIS ENGINEER. THIS IS THE RESPONSE THAT WE IN RESPONSE -- WE GOT IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS FROM MR. ZIMMERMAN ON THE USE OF INFRASTRUCTURE. THIS IS THE WRITTEN RESPONSE WE HAVE GOTTEN FROM THEM. THEY INDICATED THIS IS A LAND USE ISSUE AND THE ISSUE OF CONNECTIONS CAN BETTER BE ADDRESSED WHEN THE DEVELOPER HAS GREATER DETAILED PLANS TO GO THROUGH THEIR SYSTEM FOR REVIEW. THEY COULD NOT COMMENT. IN MORE DETAIL.

McCracken: I GUESS THE CONCERN THAT I HAVE IS THAT, YOU KNOW, TYPICALLY FOR BETTER FOR WORSE, THIS IS THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE TO RESOLVE SOME NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS THROUGH -- LIKE WE HAVE A COVENANT HERE TONIGHT, TOO. I'M JUST, YOU KNOW, I STILL DON'T HAVE AN ANSWER AND I KNOW ALICE YOU CAN'T GIVE IT TO ME TONIGHT, IT'S A WATER AND WASTEWATER ISSUE. BUT IT IS, YOU KNOW, WHAT OPTIONS ARE THERE TO ENSURE THAT FOLKS HERE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE BENEFITS OF A NEIGHBORHOOD INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HELPED SHARE THE LOAD ON THE COSTS OF IT. I MEAN IT SOUND LIKE THAT LETTER THAT AFTER TONIGHT WE WON'T HAVE MUCH OPPORTUNITY, IF ANY, PROBABLY NONE TO HELP INFLUENCE THAT.

Slusher: BUT, I MEAN, THAT MS. MATCHUS, STOP ME IF WE GET INTO ALMOST TERRITORY BUT, I MEAN, YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT TAKING SOME LAND -- THIS LAND IS NOT IN THE M.U.D., RIGHT? IT'S NOT IN THE M.U.D. AND SO YOU WOULD BE SEEMS TO ME ADDING SOME COST ON TO PEOPLE WHO, ON TO PROPERTY THAT WASN'T IN THE M.U.D. DISTRICT THAT HAD -- THAT'S THE SUBJECT OF THE ORIGINAL MUD AGREEMENT. THERE'S DISPUTE, WHICH, YOU KNOW, THE CITY PREVAILED ON IN COURT BUT I'M -- I DON'T SEE HOW WE COULD ASK FOLKS THAT MOVE INTO THIS NEW NEIGHBORHOOD THAT'S NOT PART OF THAT TERRITORY TO SHARE IN THAT M.U.D. COST BECAUSE THEY WOULD JUST SEEMS LIKE WE WOULD HAVE TO TREAT THEM LIKE ANY OTHER WATERSHED WATER AND WASTEWATER CUSTOMERS AND NOT ADD ANY -- I WOULD THINK THERE WOULD BE SOME PROBLEMS LEGALLY WITH ADDING ON ANY COST TO THAT.

McCracken: WELL, THAT WOULD DEFINITELY BE THE CASE IF THEY WEREN'T GOING TO BE TAPPING INTO THAT INFRASTRUCTURE. BUT THEY ARE. I MEAN IF THEY ARE GOING TO TAP INTO THE INFRASTRUCTURE, THAT THE CITY - - THAT ALL OF THE CITY TAXPAYERS THAT SHARE THE BURDEN ON, NOT THIS PARTICULAR MUD, BUT THEY ARE USING M.U.D. INFRASTRUCTURE. THAT'S THE PROBLEM. THEY ARE GOING TO TAP IN AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE M.U.D. INFRASTRUCTURE AND SO I MEAN IF THERE HAD BEEN -- IF WE HAD LOST THE SUIT THAT WOULD RESOLVE IT IN ONE SENSE. BUT NOW I MEAN THE COURT HAS RESOLVED THAT IT SAYS THAT THE FOLKS OUT THERE WHO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF THAT INFRASTRUCTURE, THEY HAVE TO PAY FOR THE CAPITAL COSTS, SO NOW WE HAVE SOMEONE ELSE COMING AND SAYING I WANT TO USE THAT M.U.D. INFRASTRUCTURE THAT -- THAT AT LEAST AS OF NOW I DON'T WANT TO SHARE THE COSTS OF IT. I THINK IT'S A VERY DIFFERENT SITUATION.

Dunkerly: MAYOR?

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLY?

Dunkerly: I HAVE ONE, MAYBE IT'S A QUESTION, BUT WHEN THIS PARTICULAR TRACT IS BUILT OUT, THEY WILL ALSO

BEAR THE OF THEIR -- THE COSTS OF THEIR OWN INFRASTRUCTURE, INTERNAL WATER LINES, SEWER LINES, THEY ARE GOING TO COLLECT IT A DIFFERENT WAY. PROBABLY THROUGH THE PRICE OF THE LAND RATHER THAN THROUGH A TAX RATE. SO I'M NOT SURE BUT I WOULD THINK THAT THIS GROUP IS PAYING THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE AND THIS OTHER GROUP IS PAYING THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE, THEY MAY CONNECT THEM. THEY CONTACT ALL OVER AUSTIN .BUT I THINK THAT THE CHIEF DIFFERENCE HERE IS THAT IN ONE CASE YOU ARE USING ONE MECHANISM TO COLLECT THE COST OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND IN ANOTHER INSTANCE THEY CHOSE TO USE A DIFFERENT WAY. BUT EVERY DEVELOPMENT, AS FAR AS I KNOW, PAYS FOR THEIR OWN INTERNAL INFRASTRUCTURE. IF I'M NOT CORRECT, SOMEBODY NEEDS TO EXPLAIN IT.

Mayor Wynn: SO SOUNDS LIKE THE COUNCILMEMBER IS CORRECT.

McCracken: I DON'T SEE IT THAT WAY.

SHE IS --

Dunkerly: YOU WOULD IF YOU WERE THESE PEOPLE HAVING TO PAY FOR THIS OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE.

McCracken: GRANTED THERE IS NO SITUATION LIKE THIS IN THE ENTIRE STATE OF TEXAS. WE ARE ENTERED A VERY CONCEPTUALLY DIFFERENT AREA. THAT IS I DON'T -- I THINK IT REALLY BEARS THE BURDEN OF THE FOLKS WHO DEVELOPED THIS BACK IN THE 80s WHO STRIPPED OUT THE SEPARATE COSTS OF INFRASTRUCTURE. BUT WE DO HAVE THE MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT, IF THEY ARE -- SURE THEY SHOULD PAY FOR THEIR OWN INFRASTRUCTURE, THEY ARE GOING TO BE USING THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT EVERYBODY ELSE IS PAYING THE CAPITAL COSTS FOR, TOO. ESSENTIALLY WHAT THE COURT HAS DETERMINED IS THAT THESE FOLKS HAVE TO PAY FOR THIS INFRASTRUCTURE, HOW SOMEONE ELSE IS GOING TO TAP INTO IT. HELP SHARE THE BURDEN. I THINK IT IS DIFFERENT.

Mayor Wynn: AGAIN, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE HAVE A

ZONING CASE OR A LAND USE CASE IN FRONT OF US AT SOME POINT THE LAND OWNER HAS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT HIS OR HER, YOU KNOW, ENTITLEMENTS ARE, PROBABLY SPEND REAL DOLLARS AND TIME AND EFFORT TO EVEN FIGURE OUT WHAT THOSE UTILITY PIECES OF UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE WOULD BE. SOUNDS LIKE WE ARE BEING TOLD BY OUR WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY THAT IT'S AT THAT TIME THAT THEY THEN EITHER MAKE AN ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION BASED ON EXISTING CITY POLICIES OR PERHAPS, IN SOME FORM OR FASHION, COME BACK TO COUNCIL FOR SOME DIFFERENT KIND OF DIRECTIVE BASED ON WHAT WOULD BE THE ENGINEERING PLAN BASED ON WHAT -- WHAT ZONING OR LAND USE IS APPROVED. SO I -- I THINK THAT I SEE THIS AS THE LAND USE CASE IN FRONT OF US. THE APPROPRIATE -- WHAT IS IT THAT WE FROM A -- FROM A REGULATORY AUTHORITY STANDPOINT WANT TO SEE DEVELOPED ON THE PROPERTY AND SO FAR AS THE USE, THE DENSITY, RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, AND THEN WE ALLOW FOR THE ENGINEERING TO DECIDE WHAT IF ANY OTHER INPUT THEY NEED FROM US AS TO THE -- AS TO THE UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE.

McCracken: MAYOR, I WILL RESPECTFULLY SAY THAT IF WE ARE GOING TO UP ZONE AND GRANT GREATER INTENSITY OF THE USE, THEN TAPS INTO THE INFRASTRUCTURE IT IS A LAND USE DEAL. BUT IT BECOMES DE FACTO AN INFRASTRUCTURE USE, ALSO, BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO -- I THINK EVERYBODY IN -- EVERYBODY IS IN AGREEMENT THAT THE ISSUE IS NOT THAT THESE APARTMENTS ARE IN THERE, THAT WE ARE MAKING A LAND USE DECISION THAT WILL ALLOW -- THE LANDOWNERS TO TAKE THE BENEFIT OF A BUNCH OF INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE RESIDENTS OF THAT NEIGHBORHOOD ARE PAYING FOR. WHICH NO ONE ELSE IS -- SO I THINK THAT THE LAND USE AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED BECAUSE WE ARE PUTTING EXTRA INFRASTRUCTURE BURDEN ON SOMETHING THAT THE FOLKS IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD ARE PAYING FOR.
- MAYORS.....

Mayor Wynn: MR. LINEHAN WOULD YOU LIKE TO --

I WOULD LIKE TO SAY HE HAS WORKED WITH THE CITY ON BUILDING IT OUT THERE, OVERSIZED IT, PAID FOR IT, HAS

CAPITAL REIMBURSEMENT, HE HAS BEEN OUT THERE PAYING PROBABLY MORE THAN HIS FAIR SHARE BECAUSE I HAD TO GO LANDSCAPE THE WATER LINE AFTER HE PUT IT IN. HE HAS BEEN OUT THERE PUTTING IN THAT INFRASTRUCTURE, IT'S NOT LIKE HE JUST ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. HE HAS BEEN WORKING TO PUT THAT INFRASTRUCTURE IN.

THANK YOU, MR. LINEHAN. COUNCIL, WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE TO APPROVE ITEM Z-4, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION ON THREE READINGS. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED?

McCracken: NO.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 5-1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN VOTING NO AND MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN OFF THE DAIS. COUNCIL, FOLKS, I -- I APOLOGIZE, WE HAVE ONE MORE ZONING CASE, Z-5, BUT I KNOW WE HAVE A NUMBER OF FOLKS HERE WHO WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY ON OUR PUBLIC HEARING NUMBER 51, WHICH IS TESTIMONY REGARDING THE CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET THE TWO 2004-2005 FISCAL YEAR. I BELIEVE SOME OF THESE FOLKS NEED TO CATCH PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR THE LAST BUS LEAVES THIS PART OF TOWN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE WILL GET THROUGH THESE CARDS I THINK RELATIVELY QUICKLY, LET'S TAKE UP ITEM NO. 51. WHICH IS TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CITY OF AUSTIN FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 PROPOSED BUDGET. AND WITH THAT, THE FIRST CARD IS MS. CHARMAN LILI, SIGNED UP SWISHING TO SPEAK, IN FAVOR. PLEASE ADD COMPACT SHELVING FOR THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER. JENNIFER MCPHAIL, WELCOME, JENNIFER. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SPARKEY METZ, FOLLOWED BY CONSTANCE WITT. THREE MINUTES.

OKAY. I'LL HURRY. MY NAME IS JENNIFER MCPHAIL. AND I'M HERE TO TESTIFY ON THE BUDGET AS IT PERTAINS TO

HOUSING. YOU'VE HEARD US ALL FROM ADOPT TALK ABOUT THE NEED -- ADAPT TALK ABOUT THE NEED FOR MORE AFFORDABLE ACCESSIBLE HOUSING, AFFORDABILITY IS A PROBLEM FOR THOSE OF US THAT LIVE ON SSI OR SSDI, WHICH IS SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. MOST MEDICAL WHERE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO RECEIVE THAT BENEFIT ONLY MAKE ABOUT 550 A MONTH. IT DOESN'T HURT TO EMPHASIZE THAT BECAUSE I THINK THAT MOST PEOPLE FORGET HOW LOW INCOME THAT REALLY IS. 15 PERCENT OF THE MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME. VERY DIFFICULT TO LIVE OFF OF THAT. AND PEOPLE ARE BECOMING DISABLED EVERY DAY, ALL OVER THE CITY, ARE GOING TO NEED TO HAVE AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE HOUSING. IT'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE AN ISSUE. UNTIL WE FIND A CREATIVE WAY TO ADDRESS IT, IT WILL BE A CRISIS IN THIS CITY. THERE'S ALSO THE ABRP PROGRAM, THE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIER REMOVAL. EVERYBODY IN ADAPT IS SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. MOST OF US HAVE BENEFITED FROM IT. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ACTUALLY AS MUCH MONEY AS POSSIBLE PUT INTO THAT PROGRAM BECAUSE THE DEMAND WILL ONLY GROW ALONG WITH THE RANKS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN THE CITY. THEN OF COURSE ENFORCEMENT IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IF ACCESSIBILITY FEATURES ARE REQUIRED BY LAW, AND THEN NOT IMPLEMENTED IN THE STRUCTURES, THEN IT'S JUST AS BAD AS NOT HAVING THE LAWS IN THE FIRST PLACE. AND NOT BEING ABLE TO GO TO THE RESTROOM OR GET IN YOUR HOUSE OR GO VISIT YOUR NEIGHBOR, IT'S ALL VERY IMPORTANT. IT'S WHAT COMMUNITY IS. IF YOU CAN'T INTERACT WITH ONE ANOTHER, THEN YOU ARE SEGREGATED FROM EVERYONE ELSE. THAT'S WHY MANY PEOPLE END UP IN NURSING HOMES AND STATE SCHOOLS, IT'S A TRAVESTY, IT SHOULD CHANGE. AND WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY IN THE AREA OF ENFORCEMENT. BUT WE STILL HAVE A LOT MORE TO DO. THE TENANTS COUNCIL WHO TEACHES FOLKS RENTERS RIGHTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT, THEY GET COMPLAINTS FROM ALL OVER THE COMMUNITY AND AMONG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES -- OR OF PEOPLE THAT COMPLAIN TO THEM, MINORITIES, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES MAKE 50% OF THE COMPLAINTS FOR DISCRIMINATION. 50%. IT'S RISING NOT GOING DOWN. THAT SPEAKS TO THE VALUE OF THE PROGRAM, BUT ALSO TELLS

US THAT WE NEED TO DO MORE IN THE AREAS OF ENFORCEMENT. AND -- AND THEN THERE'S -- THERE'S A -- REQUIRING VISITABILITY FEATURES IN THE BUILDING CODE. WE HAVEN'T GIVEN UP ON THAT. THE BEAUTY OF THAT IS THAT I WOULD BE ABLE TO GO VISIT MY NEIGHBORS OR PARTICIPATE IN WHATEVER IS GOING ON IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, THAT'S ALWAYS IMPORTANT. WHETHER YOU ARE TRICK OR TREATING OR WORKING, VOLUNTEER ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS FOR THE CAMPAIGNS OR STUFF, BECAUSE Y'ALL KNOW AS WELL AS I DO THAT A LOT OF THE CAMPAIGNING AND THINGS THAT GOES ON, GO ON IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS. WE ARE LEFT OUT OF THAT PROCESS. IT'S EVEN MORE IMPORTANT [BUZZER SOUNDING] BECAUSE IF YOU CAN'T PARTICIPATE IN WHAT SOCIETY HAS TO OFFER, THEN YOU ARE GOING TO BE ON THE OUTS FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE. SO THAT MAY BE SOMETHING THAT YOU ALL DIDN'T CONSIDER THAT POLITICAL ASPECT OF IT. BUT IT IS A PROBLEM. I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WAS UNTIL THIS YEAR, BUT IT IS. SO -- SO JUST BRING THAT UP TO YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. MCPHAIL, AGAIN HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

THANK YOU YOU, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL OF THE FUSS, MY MOM ENJOYED IT [LAUGHTER]

Mayor Wynn: MR. SPARKEY METZ, WELCOME, YOU'LL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

[WAITING FOR TRANSLATION]

I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE ABRP, ARCHITECTURAL BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM.

[WAITING FOR TRANSLATION]

ME AND MY ROOMMATE, MOVED INTO A NEW PLACE ABOUT A YEAR AGO. AND IT WAS NOT ACCESSIBLE. IT -- WE HAD TO WAIT ABOUT A YEAR FOR ABRP SERVICES. [WAITING FOR TRANSLATION] AND I FEEL MYSELF THAT THE WAIT WAS RIDICULOUS WHEN YOU CANNOT GET IN YOUR OWN BATHROOM. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. METZ. AND FOR THE HELP, MS. MCPHAIL. CONSTANCE WITT. CONSTANCE SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK. STEPHANIE THOMAS. WHO WILL BE FOLLOWED BY KATHY CRANESSTON.

HELLO, MY NAME IS STEPHANIE THOMAS, I'M WITH ADAPT. AND I'M MOSTLY WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BUDGET. WE BELIEVE AT ADAPT VERY MUCH THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING NEEDS TO FOCUS ON INTEGRATED HOUSING. A LOT OF THE HOUSING THAT THEY ARE DEVELOPING NOW, LIKE WITH THE ASSISTED HOUSING PROGRAM, THAT THEY LOOK TO AS LOW INCOME HOUSING, IS SEGREGATED. DISABILITY ONLY. WE WOULDN'T MAKE RACIALLY SEGREGATED HOUSING IN AUSTIN, WE SHOULDN'T BE SPENDING OUR MONEY ON IT IN OTHER KINDS OF SEGREGATION, IT'S WRONG AND WE SHOULD NOT BE DOING IT. WE SHOULDN'T BE DOING IT IN THAT PROGRAM OR ANY OF THE OTHER PROGRAMS THAT THE CITY FUNDS. AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT 80% AND BELOW. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT 30% AND BELOW OF THE MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME. FRANKLY, WHAT THAT NEED TO BE DOING IS DEEPENING THE SUBSIDIES TO THE DEVELOPERS SO THEY CAN MAKE TRULY AFFORDABLE UNITS. THE EXCUSE THAT WE GET ALL THE TIME IS THE DEVELOPERS CAN'T AFFORD TO MAKE REALLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WELL, THE CITY CAN MAKE IT MORE COMFORTABLE BY DEEP ENDING THOSE SUBSIDIES. THAT'S WHAT THE CITY FEELS TO BE FOCUSING ON MORE. H.U.D. IS CUTTING BACK ON FUNDING FOR SECTION 8 THIS YEAR. THE MONEY THAT THEY GAVE TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, NOW THEY ARE SAYING WE ARE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU AS MUCH AS WE THOUGHT. THEY ARE LOOKING TO CUT BACK ON THE NUMBER OF VOUCHERS FOR NEXT YEAR. THE LIKELIHOOD OF THAT CONTINUING IS GREAT. THAT'S LIKE ONE OF THE ONLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS. PUBLIC HOUSING ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY IS LOOKING TO ALLOW PEOPLE WITH HIGHER INCOMES TO MOVE IN. IN AN EFFORT TO GET PEOPLE WHO ARE WORKING INTO THE PUBLIC HOUSING COMPLEXES, THEY ARE MOVING PEOPLE OF HIGHER INCOMES IN. SO AGAIN THE VERY LOWEST INCOME

PEOPLE HAVE LESS AND LESS AND LESS OPTIONS. NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING NEEDS TO COME UP AND STEP UP TO THE PLATE IN THAT AREA AS WELL. THEY NEED TO MAKE REALLY AFFORDABLE UNITS. FOR 30% AND BELOW. AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT THEY OWE SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON, LIKE THE BUYOUT IN THE UNIVERSITY AREA, THEY ARE ALLOWING PEOPLE TO BUY OUT OF THE AFFORDABILITY PART AT \$40,000. THAT'S RIDICULOUS. THAT IS WAY TOO LOW. AND THAT KIND OF THING IS JUST GOING ON WAY TOO FREQUENTLY. WE NEED TO LOOK AT HOUSING FOR REALLY, REALLY POOR PEOPLE BECAUSE THERE REALLY, REALLY ISN'T ANY HOUSING. AND ENFORCEMENT IS CRITICAL. JENNIFER TOUCHED ON IT VERY WELL. I JUST WANT TO TOUCH ON ONE OTHER AREA, WHICH IS THE BUCK GROUP CONTRACT. THAT IS THE GROUP THAT IS LOOKING INTO THE HOUSING THAT WAS BUILT BY THE CITY WITH CITY MONEY GIVEN TO DEVELOPERS TO BE -- TO BE BUILT AND THEN WHAT TURNED OUT IS THAT THEY DIDN'T REALLY BUILD IT ACCORDING TO THE LAW. THE BUCK GROUP IS GOING BACK AND CHECKING THAT HOUSING OUT AND OTHER HOUSING. AS FAR AS I KNOW, STILL, NONE OF THE PLACES THAT THEY CHECK ARE FULLY ACCESSIBLE. THAT SPEAKS TO THE NEED FOR MORE AND BETTER ENFORCEMENT. OTHERWISE YOU ARE JUST WASTING YOUR MONEY. [BUZZER SOUNDING] I ALSO WANT TO SAY IN THE AREA OF THE PARKS DEPARTMENT, THERE NEEDS TO BE SETTING MONEY ASIDE TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE, TOO. WE FILED A LAWSUIT AGAINST THE CITY. WE HAVE SETTLED WITH THEM AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T DONE ALL OF THE COMPONENTS OVER FIVE YEARS LATER. SO WE REALLY THINK THAT YOU NEED TO LOOK AT ENFORCEMENT IN ALL AREAS. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. THOMAS, KATHY I DON'T KNOWS -- CRANSTON, FOLLOWED BY MARY TALAMENTEZ.

THAT'S ALL RIGHT, THAT'S COOL. I'M WITH ADAPT OF TEXAS. KATHY CRANSTON, I DON'T WANT TO KEEP REITERATING, I DID WANT TO MENTION REGARDING THE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM, WE SUPPORT IT, IT HAS DONE WONDERFUL WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY. IN FACT MY OWN FAMILY HAS BEEN ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM THE PROGRAM. ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT I HAVE, THOUGH, IS IN -- IN

NOTICING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, THEIR REPORT, THEIR ANNUAL REPORT, THEY HAVE THE ABRP INFORMATION UNDER OTHER THAN OCCUPIED AND FOR -- OWNER OCCUPIED. FOR ME WHEN I READ THAT IT CAN BE MISLEADING TO THINK THAT THIS PROGRAM IS FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE HOMEOWNERS ONLY. AND I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO LET PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT NEED THIS KIND OF -- OF ASSISTANCE, THAT IT IS FOR PEOPLE THAT RENT, ALSO. AND SO THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I WANTED TO BRING UP. THE OTHER THING IS -- IS WHAT I HAVE BEEN NOTICING THROUGH THE YEARS IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROCESS, WHAT I HAVE BEEN SEEING IS A TREND GOING -- GOING TOWARD HOME OWNERSHIP. THAT'S -- THAT'S GOOD. BUT -- BUT WHEN YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE THAT LIVE AT 30% MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, THEY ARE VERY UNLIKELY GOING TO OWN A HOME. I'M NOT SAYING THEY WON'T. BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE AT THAT INCOME LEVEL WANT TO RENT AND THAT -- JUST -- THEY WANT TO RENT. AND ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET, THE OVERVIEW PROPOSED BUDGET ON PAGE 15, I WAS LOOKING UNDER NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING, I WAS LOOKING AT WHERE THEY SAY HOUSING ACTIVITIES, I WAS JUST LOOKING AT THE NUMBERS. I'M NOT AN ACCOUNTANT OR A PROFESSIONAL IN ANY WAY, BUT JUST IN ADDING THE NUMBERS OF WHERE THE TESTICULARS ARE -- WHERE THE DOLLARS THAT ARE GOING TO SPENT, [INDISCERNIBLE], VERSUS 3.1 GOING TO RENTAL AND ASSISTED HOUSING. AND -- AND THAT'S -- THAT'S QUITE A BIG DIFFERENCE AS FAR AS HOW MUCH MONEY IS BEING SPENT FOR HOMEOWNERS VERSUS PEOPLE THAT ARE RENTING. I REALLY THINK THAT THAT -- THAT THAT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT. THAT YOU INSTEAD TO LOOK AT THAT. THAT YOU NEED TO LOOK AT THAT. BECAUSE ONE OF THE OTHER ISSUES THAT I THINK STEPHANIE MENTIONED, THAT YOU HAVE HOUSING, APARTMENT -- EXCUSE ME, LANDLORDS THAT -- THAT ARE THROUGH H.U.D., ARE NOT HAVING TO RENEW, YOU KNOW, AFTER THEY -- AFTER THEY DEDICATE 40 YEARS OF THEIR RENTAL PROPERTY TO -- FOR SUBSIDIZED HOUSING, THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO RENEW THAT AGREEMENT WITH H.U.D. SO WE ARE LOSING RENTAL PROPERTIES THAT ARE PEOPLE THAT ARE POOR PEOPLE CAN AFFORD. SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? HOW ARE

YOU REPLACING, REPLACING HOUSING FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE POOR? THEY ARE GOING TO BE DRIVEN OUT. [BUZZER SOUNDING] AND I JUST THINK THAT THAT'S AN INJUSTICE, I THINK YOU GUYS NEED TO LOOK AT THAT. AS FAR AS HOW MUCH MONEY IS BEING SPENT WHERE. ANYWAY, THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. MARY TALAMANTEZ, EARLIER I CALLED CONSTANCE WITT.

COULD I JUST -- THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME COME HERE. MY NAME IS MARY TALAMANTEZ, ON BEHALF OF ADAPT AND THE DISABILITY COMMUNITY. I JUST WANT TO ENCOURAGE THE COUNCIL TO AIM AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR FAMILIES WITH 30% OF FAMILY INCOME OR LESS, LIKE 15% OF FAMILY INCOME, MOSTLY THOSE 15% WOULD BE PEOPLE WHO RECEIVE SSI OR SSDI. ALSO FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSES, SHOULD BE INTEGRATED IN THE AUSTIN AREA. THROUGHOUT THE AUSTIN [INDISCERNIBLE] WE DO NOT SEGREGATE OTHER GROUPS, WE SHOULD NOT SEGREGATE DISABILITIES. WE SHOULD BE INTEGRATED. IF WE INTEGRATED THE DISABILITY COMMUNITY, THEY WOULD BE MORE INVOLVED IN ACTIVITIES IN AUSTIN OR JOBS OR -- OR EVENTS WHICH MAKES AUSTIN UNIQUE IN TEXAS. AND ALSO TO MAKE -- TO MAKE ACCESSIBILITY FOR THOSE HOUSES SO THEY CAN HAVE RAMPS AND MORE ACCOMMODATIONS TO THOSE HOUSES, THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. CONSTANCE WITT, WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY BOB KAFKA.

YES, HI, I'M CONNIE WITT FROM TEXAS ALASKA MALAMUT RESCUE. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE THE ELIMINATION OF RESCUE ANIMAL COORDINATOR ON PAGE 22 OF YOUR PROPOSED BUDGET HANDED OUT TODAY. BOTH THE COORDINATOR POSITIONS AT TOWN LAKE ARE ESSENTIAL TO TRY TO KEEP DOWN THE RISING KILL NUMBERS AT TOWN LAKE ANIMAL CENTER. BECAUSE OF POOR DON'TER AND AN -- ADOPTER AND ANIMAL SCREENING AND LACK OF PROPER EDUCATION, THE RATE OF ADOPTION RETURNS TO TOWN LAKE BY OWNERS AND AS STRAYS IS MUCH TOO HIGH. ALMOST ALL BOUNCE BACK ANIMALS DIE. ANIMALS THAT GO INTO RESCUE PROGRAMS ESCAPED THAT VICIOUS CYCLE. IT

TAKES SKILL, KNOWLEDGE, NETWORKING, MENTORING, DEDICATION, PERSEVERANCE AND AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF TIME FOR THE RESCUE COORDINATORS TO FULFILL THEIR TASKS. EVERY DAY THERE'S STILL MORE TO BE DONE. PLEASE RETAIN THIS VERY ESSENTIAL POSITION. IF ANY MONEY MUST BE SAVED AT TOWN LAKE, I WOULD SUGGEST DOWNGRADING THE LEAD COORDINATOR POSITION TO AN ACTIVE AND ACCOUNTABLE ASSISTANCE POSITION TO THE RESCUE COORDINATORS. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MS. WITT. BOB KAFKA, WELCOME, SIR, YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES, FOLLOWED BY DANNY SAENZ.

HELLO, MY NAME IS BOB KAFKA, ALSO WITH ADAPT. REAL QUICKLY, IT WAS MENTIONED ABOUT AUSTIN HAS A LOT TO BE PROUD WITH THE VISITABILITY ORDINANCE ON PUBLICLY FUNDED, ONE, THERE'S TWO LEVELS THERE. ONE IS THE ENFORCEMENT WHICH WAS TALKED ABOUT, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. AGAIN, AUSTIN SHOULD BE VERY, VERY PROUD OF THAT. BUT WITHOUT ENFORCEMENT OF OUR ORDINANCES, IT DOESN'T REALLY DO ANY GOOD. THE SECOND THING IS NOT A BUDGET SO MUCH AS IT IS JUST A REALITY OF WHAT I THINK SHOULD BE MINIMAL STANDARDS. YOU HAVE THAT IN WATER AND WASTEWATER, ENVIRONMENTAL AND I REALLY BELIEVE THAT WE NEED TO INCLUDE VISITABILITY IN OUR GENERAL BUILDING CODE. THE AGING POPULATION AND THE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES, ALL ARE GOING HOME -- MOST OF THE HOMES BUILT IN THIS AREA ARE PRIVATE, THEY DO NOT HAVE TO HAVE ANY VISITABILITY OR ACCESS. IT'S OUTRAGEOUS, IT REALLY IS. I THINK AUSTIN TOOK THE FIRST STEP WITH PUBLICLY FUNDED. I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO SIT DOWN AND NOT FORGET ABOUT THAT. WE HAVE STARTED THE CONVERSATION, BUT IT KEEPS GETTING LOST. I THINK, AGAIN, IT JUST MAKES GOOD, OVERALL COMMUNITY SENSE AS OUR COMMUNITY AGES, AS PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, PHYSICAL AND MENTAL CONTINUE TO MOVE HERE, AND AUSTIN IS AN EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE CITY. THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE WILL SOON BE ACCEPTED. I THINK IF WE COULD JUST SORT OF INTEGRATE THAT. BUT WE NEED TO START THE PROCESS NOW, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO BE CONTENTIOUS WITH THE DEVELOPERS AND WE WANT TO -- NOT THAT WE ARE

AGAINST CONTENTION, BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO IT COOPERATIVELY AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. THE OTHER THING THAT I JUST WANT TO END WITH IS THAT SOMETIMES THERE ARE GOOD INTENTIONS, BUT I THINK SOMETIMES GOOD INTENTIONS END UP WITH BAD IDEAS. I THINK THIS SPECIAL SERVICES SIGN THAT YOU ARE COMING UP WITH FOR PICKING UP THE GARBAGE FOR PEOPLE WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES MAY BE SOMETHING THAT YOU WANT TO JUST HOLD OFF AND START TALKING WITH PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. BECAUSE I THINK THIS MAY ACTUALLY SEND A VERY SHOCKING MESSAGE TO SOME PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT YOU ARE GOING TO STICK A SIGN ON THEIR LAWN, YOU KNOW, SAYING SPECIAL SERVICES -- WON'T SAY SPECIAL SERVICES BUT AGAIN IT WILL SORT OF TARGET PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. AGAIN WE UNDERSTAND THE INTENTION OF WHY THE GARBAGE PICKUP AND RECYCLING WANTS TO DO THIS. WE UNDERSTAND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ACTUALLY ASSIST, BUT I THINK THIS MAY NOT BE THE SOLUTION AND I THINK I WOULD PULL IT BACK, TALK TO THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY BEFORE YOU START GOING FORWARD WITH THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU.

Futrell: AND IF YOU'LL LET ME, I ABSOLUTELY AGREE WITH YOU. I THINK WE MOVED TOO QUICKLY ON THAT. IT IS BEING RESCINDED AS WE SPEAK. WE ARE LOOKING AT SEVERAL ALTERNATIVES TO THAT THAT OTHER CITIES ARE USING, INCLUDING A G.P.S. TYPE SOLUTION IN THE TRUCKS THAT MIGHT HELP US, BUT WE ARE GOING TO OPEN UP A DIALOGUE AND SEE WHERE WE ARE GOING.

WE UNDERSTAND THE INTENT OF IT. BUT I THINK IT'S SORT OF NOT -- I THINK SPECIAL SERVICES SIGN IS JUST NOT, MAY NOT BE THE ANSWER THAT YOU WANT TO GO FORWARD WITH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. DANNY SAENZ. WELCOME, DANNY, YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CAROL EISENBERG.

I HAVE BEEN -- IT'S ALL BEEN SAID, I JUST WANTED TO TOUCH ON THE THING ABOUT WHAT -- WHAT KATHY WAS

TALKING ABOUT, THE HOME OWNERSHIP I MEAN THE ABRP. I SAW THAT, TOO, AND, YOU KNOW --, YOU KNOW, WHAT -- I'M A RENTER, SO IS LIKE I THINK I HEARD 30% OF THE PEOPLE ARE RENTERS. AND WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO GET OUR HOMES MODIFIED AND -- ENFORCEMENT. AND ALSO JUST WHAT BOB WAS TALKING ABOUT, THAT SPECIAL STUFF, SPECIAL, YOU KNOW, THE SEGREGATED HOUSING, THE SPECIAL SIGN IN YOUR FRONT LAWN, ALL THAT KIND OF STUFF, IT'S GOT TO GO. THAT IS SO -- YOU KNOW, THAT'S SO '60S. I GREW UP GOING TO A SPECIAL SCHOOL. I GREW UP GOING ON A SPECIAL BUS, YOU KNOW. ANYWAY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. SAENZ.

Futrell: PAUL DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT YOU CAN ADD THERE TO HELP US?

I WANTED TO CLARIFY ONE THING, THE POINT THEY BRING UP ABOUT THE ABRP PROGRAM -- THE ARCHITECTURAL BEAR..... BARRIER REMOVAL PROGRAM THAT IS BEING SPOKEN OF, KATHY IS ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, THAT IS ELIGIBLE. FOLKS WHO RENT ARE ABSOLUTELY ELIGIBLE FOR THAT PROGRAM. IN FACT AS A RESULT OF THE CONSOLIDATED PLANNING PROCESS, WE INCREASED THE NUMBER TARGETED FOR RENTALS THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR RENTALS. FOLKS WHO ARE RENTING. IT IS INTENDED FOR BOTH RENTAL AND HOME OWNERSHIP. THE REPORT THAT WE DID LAST YEAR DID PUT IT INTO HOME OWNERSHIP, IT IS A POINT THAT WE WILL MAKE A CLARIFICATION OF NEXT YEAR. BUT KATHY IS RIGHT AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN TALK ABOUT THE MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHEN WE REPORT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE TRYING TO CONTINUE OUR MARKETING AND OUTREACH TO FOLKS, FOLKS WHO RENT ARE CERTAINLY ELIGIBLE FOR THAT PROGRAM AS WELL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. HILGERS. CAROL EISENBERG.

I'M CAROL EISENBERG, I'M A MEMBER OF ADAPT. I WANT TO JUST REITERATE WHAT PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT IN TERMS OF THE NEED FOR ARCHITECTURAL

BARRIER REMOVAL. WE NEED TO BE BUILDING HOMES THAT ARE VISITABLE BEFORE YOU BUILD BARRIERS IN THE HOME AND HAVE TO GO BACK AND RETROFIT. I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO PURCHASE MY OWN HOME. IN 1997. AND I LOVE MY NEIGHBORHOOD. MY HOUSE WAS MADE ACCESSIBLE TO ME. BUT MY NEIGHBORS ARE INACCESSIBLE TO ME. I LIVE IN A VERY NICE COMMUNITY AND AM FRIENDS WITH MY NEIGHBORS, BUT I CAN'T GET INTO THEIR HOUSES, I CAN'T GET UP TO THEIR FRONT DOORS IF I WANT TO KNOCK ON A DOOR OR DISTRIBUTE A PAMPHLET OR FIND OUT HOW THE KIDS ARE DOING OR WHATEVER. I JUST CAN'T GET TO MY NEIGHBOR'S DOORS BECAUSE THERE ARE BARRIERS. AND SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT ARCHITECTURAL BARRIER REMOVAL, I THINK WE SHOULD CONSIDER THE EXISTING HOUSING NEEDED TO BE BARRIERS NEEDING TO BE REMOVED OR THE BUILDINGS -- IN THE BUILDINGS TO COME TO NOT LET BUILDERS PUT IN STEPS WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE TO PUT IN STEPS BECAUSE IT OSTRACIZES PEOPLE SUCH AS I WHO LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY, ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY, AND CAN'T SAY HI TO A NEIGHBOR. UM ... INTEGRATION OF COURSE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME. I LIVE IN AN INTEGRATED NEIGHBORHOOD. I'M THE ONLY DISABLED PERSON THAT I KNOW OF IN MY -- ON MY BLOCK. SO THERE ARE -- ACTIVE PEOPLE IN THE PARKS NEARBY AND I CAN SEE THEM IN THE PARKS, BUT IT'S ALWAYS I JUST HAPPEN TO SEE THEM. WELL, WE PREARRANGED TO MEET IN THE PARK -- OR WE PREARRANGE TO MEET IN THE PARK. IT'S VERY DISPRESSING TO ME THAT I CAN'T ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN MY OWN NEIGHBORHOOD. IT'S AN IMPORTANT HOUSING ISSUE FOR THE WHOLE CITY, NOT JUST ME. THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT. ALSO, I USED TO WORK FOR THE HOME OF YOUR OWN COALITION AND WE USED TO TRY TO GET PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES INTO HOME OWNERSHIP AND THE COST OF HOME OWNERSHIP IS GOING UP SO HIGH THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE AT THAT 30% OF AFI [BUZZER SOUNDING] CAN'T GET INTO HOME OWNERSHIP. OUR PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED TO DO THAT, BUT IT'S VERY, VERY DIFFICULT. IT'S -- TO LET THAT HAPPEN, IT'S AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM. BUT -- BUT IT'S HARD TO MAKE IT WORK. FOR PEOPLE WITH LOW INCOME.

Mayor Wynn: AGREED, THANK YOU, MS. ICE.... EISENBERG. BARBARA HINKELS, SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF STRONG FUNDING FOR AUSTIN LIBRARIES. MARY BLOOMBERG, WELCOME. YOU CAN ADDRESS US AT EITHER PODIUM, YOU WILL HAVE 3 MINUTES, FOLLOWED BY JOHN MICHAEL CORTEZ.

WELL, AS YOU KNOW, I AM FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY, ESPECIALLY FOR PHOTOVOLTAICS. SEEMS LIKE EVERY TIME THAT YOU ALL HAVE SOMETHING PLANNED OR BUILT, YOU HAVEN'T REALLY CONSULTED SOLAR TECHNOLOGY AND INSTALLING PHOTOVOLTAICS AND GETTING SOLAR ENGINEERS ON ALL OF THESE PROJECTS. WE KNOW THAT RENEWABLE ENERGY IS CLEAN, SUSTAINABLE SOURCE OF POWER THAT WILL SUSTAIN US WITH SECURE SOURCES OF ENERGY NOW AND IN GENERATIONS TO COME. YOU KNOW, WE DO HAVE A POLLUTION PROBLEM. WE HAVE THE HOLLY PLANT, THE COAL BURNING, THE NON-ATTAINMENT THAT AUSTIN HAS REACH AND IS REACHING. HIGH ENERGY PRICES BECAUSE OF THESE MASSIVE BUILDINGS AND HOMES THAT - - THAT KEEP SUCKING UP THE ELECTRICAL POWER. AND IT SHOULD BE -- THERE SHOULD BE A CITY CODE REQUIRING THAT THE BUILDINGS OF HOMES, BUILDINGS, SCHOOLS, THAT THEY HAVE TO INSTALL SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAICS ON THESE ROOFS. IT WILL LOWER THE COST IN THE FUTURE. ALSO THE SOLAR HOT WATER. IT MAKES IT MORE SUSTAINABLE, ENERGY EFFICIENT. IT WILL BE CLEANER AND HEALTHIER FOR ENVIRONMENT NOW AND YEARS TO COME. AND IT'S MORE COST EFFECTIVE. SO I THINK THE PLANNING COMMISSIONERS AND EVERYONE ELSE INVOLVED HERE IN TRAVIS COUNTY REALLY NEED TO START THINKING OF THE FUTURE ENERGY CRISIS THAT WE ARE IN, THE HEALTH CRISIS FROM THE POLLUTION AND START MAKING LAWS REQUIRING SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTITUTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IT WILL ALSO LOWER THESE -- THE ADAPT, THE PEOPLE THAT NEED HOUSING, THEIR ENERGY COST EACH MONTH, BECAUSE THEY ARE ON A LOW INCOME BUDGET. AND I KNOW THAT THE -- THAT THE PEOPLE IN AUSTIN ARE CRYING OUT FOR JOBS. AND -- AND BUILDINGS, LIKE WHOLE FOODS, CITY GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS, THE -- THE, YOU KNOW, YOU ALL HAVE VAST ROOF TOPS AND PUBLIC LANDS THAT CAN -- THAT CAN PHOTOVOLTAICS CAN BE PUT ON. WE

HAVE AMPLE SOURCE OF HOT SOLAR ENERGY IN THIS COMMUNITY. AND WORKERS THAT NEED BETTER JOBS. SO I WOULD REALLY -- I WOULD REALLY -- LIKE TO -- LIKE TO -- THIS AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL TO START SUPPORTING MORE INSTALLATIONS AND FUNDING FOR MORE SOLAR VOLTAIC PANELS ON OUR BUILDINGS AND GET FEDERAL DOLLARS FROM THE ENERGY DEPARTMENT [BUZZER SOUNDING] AND GRANT MONEY BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S AVAILABLE. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. BLOOMBERG, I WILL LET YOU KNOW JUST LAST WEEK HIS COUNCIL VOTED UNANIMOUSLY ON THE FIRST OF HOPEFULLY MANY IN THE FUTURE OF SOLAR REBATE PROGRAMS WHERE WE ACTUALLY HELP OFFSET THE COST OF PRIVATE IN THESE CASES COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS TO SMALL PHOTOVOLTAIC CELLS ON THEIR ROOFS, WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO, I AGREE. JOHN MICHAEL CORTEZ. CHARMAN.

SHE HAD TO LEAVE.

I WON'T EVEN TAKE THAT. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, GOOD EVENING. I AM HERE REPRESENTING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER ASSOCIATION AND I HAVE BEEN ATTENDING THIS PARTICULAR PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS PARTICULAR PORTION OF THE BUDGET FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. I'M VERY PLEASED TO BE HERE SAYING THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO THE CITY MANAGER, ALL OF THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGERS, OF COURSE THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FOR BRINGING FORTH THE BUDGET THAT EFFECTIVELY HOLDS THE LINE FOR FUNDING FOR THE AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ESPECIALLY THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER, WHICH HAS FACED SOME TREMENDOUS DIFFICULTIES LIKE ALL OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS HAVE OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. SO -- SO WE ARE LOOKING VERY MUCH FORWARD TO THE TIME WHEN -- WHEN HOPEFULLY NEXT YEAR WHEN WE CAN START TALKING ABOUT POSITIONS BEING RESTORED AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES BEING RESTORED AT THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER AND THE AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY. AND BECAUSE I'VE BEEN HERE IN THE LAST -- FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS, ATTENDING THIS PARTICULAR HEARING, USUALLY THERE'S A LOT MORE PEOPLE HERE SIGNED UP TO

KEEP YOU HERE UNTIL ALL HOURS OF THE NIGHT. SOMETIMES THE MORNING. I THINK THEM NOT BEING HERE IS THEIR OWN SMALL WAY OF SAYING THANK YOU FOR THE BUDGET THAT YOU BROUGHT FORTH. I HOPE THAT -- THAT THE CITY COUNCIL BECAUSE THEY ARE VERY -- THERE VERY WELL MAY BE PRESSURES HERE IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, WEEKS, MONTH, REGARDING THE BUDGET, TO ADD MONEY INTO OTHER AREA THAT'S MIGHT MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO -- TO HOLD THE LINE ON THE -- ON THE LIBRARY BUDGET, THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. I HOPE THAT THAT ISN'T THE CASE. I THINK THAT THE -- WHAT'S BEEN BROUGHT FORTH BY THE CITY -- FORTH BY THE CITY MANAGER IS GREAT. ONCE AGAIN WE LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR. I CAN'T SIT DOWN WITHOUT ASKING FOR ONE THING, HOWEVER. BECAUSE I REPRESENT THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER ASSOCIATION AND I HAVE SPOKEN TO SEVERAL OF YOU ABOUT THIS, YOU ARE ALL WELL AWARE THAT THERE IS A CRITICAL PROBLEM FACING THE HISTORY CENTER AS THE COLLECTIVE MEMORY OF AUSTIN AND TRAVIS COUNTY. IN THAT ALTHOUGH THE ARCHIVE HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR DECADES, THE PROFESSIONAL STAFF THERE ARE VERY JUDICIOUS ABOUT WHAT THEY COLLECT AND PRESERVE BECAUSE IT COSTS SO MUCH MONEY TO HOUSE THINGS THERE AND PRESERVE THEM FOR ALL OF US, THEY ARE OUT OF SPACE. THE BUILDING IS FILLED UP OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS OR SO. AND THE ONLY -- EXCUSE ME, THE ONE MEDIUM TERM SOLUTION UNTIL WE GET THE NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY AND EXPAND INTO THE BUILDING NEXT DOOR IS COMPACT SHELVING FOR THE AUSTIN HISTORY CENTER. SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN PROPOSED AS A C.I.P. ITEM FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS, I DON'T THINK IT MADE THE CUT AGAIN THIS YEAR. BUT I WOULD ASK IF THERE'S ANY WAY POSSIBLE TO INCLUDE THAT ITEM FOR COMPACT SHELVING IT WOULD REALLY GO A LONG WAY TO TEMPORARILY HELPING THE HISTORY CENTER DEAL WITH THEIR SPACE ISSUE. AND BUT OTHERWISE THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR THE BUDGET AND PLEASE SUPPORT IT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. CORTEZ, FOR ALL OF YOUR WORK FOR THE HISTORY CENTER AND OTHERS. COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL OF THE CITIZENS THAT SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK ON ITEM NO. 51. OUR PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED 2004-2005 BUDGET.
SO WITH THAT I WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO CLOSE THIS
PUBLIC HEARING.

SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ,
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS TO CLOSE THIS
PUBLIC HEARING. ITEM NO. 51. RECOGNIZING THAT WE ARE
GOING TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS TO RECEIVE FURTHER
PUBLIC COMMENT AUGUST 26th AND AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER
2nd..... 2nd. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF CLOSING THE PUBLIC
HEARING PLEASE SAY AYE?

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH
THE MAYOR PRO TEM OFF THE DAIS. THAT TAKES US BACK
TO ITEM NO. 5, I DO APOLOGIZE BUT WE NEEDED TO GET
SOME FOLKS HOME EARLIER TONIGHT ON OUR PUBLIC
HEARING. GREG GUERNSEY MAYOR AND COUNCIL, GREG
GUERNSEY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING
DEPARTMENT. OUR NEXT CASE IS Z-5, C14-04--- C 814-04-24,
KNOWN AS BRODIE 31 WALTERS SOUTHWEST CASE.
LOCATED IN THE 900 TO 9600 BLOCK OF BRODIE. 9000 TO
9600. FROM DR TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. COMPRISES
APPROXIMATELY 31 ACRES OF LAND, OF THAT
APPROXIMATELY 48% OR -- 14.9% WOULD BE A
CONSERVATION -- [INDISCERNIBLE] -- ONE 10.7 AT THE
SOUTHERN END OF THE PROPERTY, ANOTHER 4.2, I WILL
POINT THOSE OUT RIGHT NOW. JURY....AREA THAT'S GREEN
TO THE LEFT. NEAR BRODIE, INTERSECTION OF DAVIS AND
BRODIE, DEER AND BRODIE, SLAUGHTER LANE FURTHER TO
THE SOUTH. THIS IS OPPOSITE OF THE CHERRY CREEK AND
BRODIE LANE SUBDIVISION. THE TWO AREAS IN GREEN, THE
10.7 IS IMMEDIATELY EAST OF A 165-ACRE CITY OF AUSTIN
NATURE PRESERVE PARK. AND THIS IS WHERE -- THE SINK IS
LOCATED. THIS IS THE CONSERVATION TRACT. THE AREAS
THAT YOU SEE THAT ARE IN KIND OF THE PINKISH AREA,
THESE ARE THE COMMERCIAL AREAS. IT WOULD
COMPROMISE THE REMAINDER OF THE PROPERTY,
APPROXIMATELY 52%. THESE WOULD BE LOCATIONS OF --
OF SIT-DOWN RESTAURANT, A DRIVE-THROUGH TYPE OF

RESTAURANT, LIMITED RESTAURANT, ONE AUTO REPAIR USE, AND A CONVENIENCE STORAGE, LIKE A MINI WAREHOUSE, TYPE OF STORAGE AREA AND ANOTHER RETAIL TRACT. THE SECOND CONSERVATION EASEMENT IS CENTERED ALONG THE PIPELINE EASEMENT OF THE LONGHORN PIPELINE AND THESE AREAS WOULD BE RESTRICTED FROM PROHIBITING DETENTION FACILITIES, WATER QUALITY PONDS, AND WOULD BE LEFT AS CONSERVATION EASEMENTS. AGAIN, THE PROPERTY AS I MENTIONED IS NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF DAVIS AND BRODIE LANE. FURTHER TO THE SOUTH OF SLAUGHTER. RANDALL'S SHOPPING CENTER, STRATUS 108 TRACT AND THEN FURTHER TO THE NORTH, YOU'VE GOT SOME APARTMENTS. THE PROPERTY IS ACROSS THE STREET AGAIN FROM THE BRODIE CHERRY CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD AND PENDING HARRIS RANCH CASE THAT'S IN FOR ALSO REZONING. THIS TRACT RUNS PARALLEL TO BRODIE. THE STAFF, IN REVIEWING THIS PLAN, ALSO TOOK INTO CONSIDERATION THE LOCATION OF THE SITE, WITH RESPECT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRAINTS. AGAIN, THAT THE -- THAT THE BLOWING SINK DIRECTLY TO THE SOUTH AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD BOTH RECOMMENDED THE P.U.D. AS BROUGHT TO THEM. THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD AS PART OF THEIR RECOMMENDATION ADDED THERE BE A PROHIBITION ON COOL BASED TAR SEAL -- COAL BASED TAR SEALANTS AND THEY AGREED TO DO THAT AND USE INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT CONTROL, NATIVE PLANTS, AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE APPLICANT, THERE'S BEEN ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS WHICH ARE PART OF A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT SPEAK TO HOW THE AUTO RELATED USE WOULD OPERATE. THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE, IT'S NOT LOCATED OVER THE RECHARGE ZONE, BUT IT IS OVER THE CONTRIBUTING ZONE AREA. STAFF DID RECOMMEND THE REZONING REQUEST, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, ALONG WITH THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION. PART OF THE REASONING FOR RECOMMENDING THIS WAS THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS OF STAYING BACK AWAY FROM BLOWING SINK AND SOME OF THE MORE INNOVATIVE THINGS THAT ARE PROPOSED IN THE P.U.D. BY RESTRICTING THE HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS TO BE SIMILAR TO THOSE THAT

YOU WOULD SEE IN AN L.O. OR L.R. DISTRICT. THOSE WOULD BE 40-FOOT BUILDINGS. A LIMITATION ON THE SIZE OF BUILDING FOOTPRINTS FOR ANY COMMERCIAL USES THAT COULD BE NO LARGER THAN 40,000 SQUARE FEET. THOSE INNOVATIVE THINGS THAT I SPOKE TO ABOUT RESTRICTING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS USE, THE TYPES OF MATERIALS THAT ARE USED IN THE AUTO-RELATED USE FUNCTION, ADDITIONAL SETBACKS FOR THAT FROM THE EDGE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARKLAND, SETTING BACK AT LEAST 100 FEET. THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD, WHEN THEY DID RECOMMEND THIS, IT WAS ON A 7-0 VOTE, NOT 8-0 AS I THINK IS REPRESENTED IN YOUR BACKUP. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION VOTE WAS A SPLIT, 5-3 VOTE. THE BRODIE LANE AND CHERRY CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET. THERE'S A STREET CALLED [INDISCERNIBLE] THAT DEAD ENDS INTO THAT PROPERTY, THERE'S REPRESENTATIVES FROM THAT ASSOCIATION HERE TONIGHT. THEY WILL SPOKE TO THEIR POSITION -- SPEAK TO THEIR POSITION. THEY ARE NOT IN FAVOR. I THINK THEY WILL ALSO GO INTO SPEAKING ABOUT A PRIVATE CHARETTE THAT THEY HAVE WORKED AND I THINK COUNCIL IS AWARE OF THAT WILL TAKE PLACE THIS SATURDAY THAT INVOLVES THE SAVE BARTON CREEK, OAK HILL ASSOCIATION OF NEIGHBORHOODS AND OTHERS WILL BE PARTICIPANTS. AS MENTIONED EARLIER THIS EVENING, THERE WERE TWO POSTPONEMENT REQUESTS FROM ADJACENT NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE FURTHER TO THE EAST AND FURTHER TO THE WEST THAT HAVE RAISED CONCERNS ABOUT THIS PROJECT AND WOULD LIKE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. I'M SURE THEY WILL BE PARTICIPANTS AT THIS CHARETTE AS WELL. THE APPLICANT IS HERE. THERE ARE NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVES HERE. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I WILL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM AT THIS TIME. ALSO PAT MURPHY IS AVAILABLE IF YOU HAVE A SPECIFIC -- SPECIFIC QUESTION ABOUTS THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTIONS. ON THE DAIS THERE IS A COUNCIL QUESTION THAT ASKED ABOUT SQUARE FOOTAGES OF PROPERTIES. ALONG BRODIE LANE AND SOME TRIP INFORMATION, SORRY FOR THE DELAY IN GETTING THAT TO YOU. I THINK THAT YOU DID GET THAT IN YOUR BACKUP MATERIALS, THAT SHOULD BE ON THE DAIS. THERE ARE TWO MAPS THAT ILLUSTRATE TRACTS NUMBERS

1 THROUGH 9 AND THE TABLE REPRESENTS THE SQUARE FOOTAGES, THE NAME OF THE PROJECT, THEIR LOCATIONS AND ZONING.

WITH THAT I'LL PASS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY, AT THIS TIME WE WILL HAVE A FIVE MINUTE PRESENTATION FROM THE APPLICANT. FOLKS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR, FOLKS IN OPPOSITION, THEN A 3 MINUTE REBUTTAL. WELCOME, MR. PAUL LINEHAN.

IF YOU DON'T MIND -- MY NAME IS PAUL LINEHAN, I'M WORKING WITH MR. BILL WALTERS ON THIS 31-ACRE SITE. AS GREG MENTIONED IT IS A 31-ACRE SITE, DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM SOCO THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. THE ZONING TRACT WE DID BACK IN '97 ON THE DEERFIELD TRACT AND THEN IN 2001 WE DID A ZONING TRACT THAT LIMITED 8 UNITS TO THE ACRE HERE AND NOW WE ARE HERE WITH 31. WE HAVE BASICALLY MASTER PLANNED THE THREE CORNERS AND DONE ZONING ON THOSE THREE TRACTS OVER THE LAST SEVEN YEARS. THE SITE BACKS UP TO THE PRESERVE, SO WE -- WHEN BILL AND I STARTED TALKING ABOUT THIS, HOW CAN WE DO THE BEST JOB, BUILD A BETTER STANDARD. WE DECIDED TO DO A P.U.D. WHICH DOES MEET A HIGHER STANDARD. YOU HAVE IN YOUR PACKET A CONSERVATION EASEMENT THAT WE WORKED OUT WITH THE STAFF. YOU ALSO HAVE A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT'S WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE HIGHER STANDARDS AS WELL AS A P.U.D. WE ARE IN THE S.O.S. ZONE. WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR ANY VARIANCES. WE ARE AT 25% IMPERVIOUS COVER. AND ALL DRAINAGE FROM THE SITE LEAVES FROM THE SITE DOWN TOWARD THE RANDALL'S SHOPPING CENTER AT SLAUGHTER AND BRODIE. IT WILL NOT GO BACK TOWARD THE PRESERVE. THERE'S A RIDGE LINE THAT RUNS RIGHT THROUGH THE SITE AT THIS LOCATION. WE HAVE ASKED -- WE HAVE COME IN AND PROHIBITED USES SUCH AS AUTO RELATED USES, EXCEPT FOR AUTO REPAIR, PLANT NURSERIES, DROPOFF, RECYCLING, COLLECTION, AGRICULTURAL SALES, PAWN SHOPS, SERVICE STATIONS, BET AND BREAKFAST, CARRIAGE SHOPS AND BAIL BOND SERVICES. SO IT WOULD ELIMINATE THOSE SERVICES. WE WOULD COME IN WITH A

MAXIMUM BUILDING FOOTPRINT OF 40,000 SQUARE FEET. WE WOULD HAVE AN I.P.M. PLAN, LANDSCAPE BUFFERING, SIGNAGE FOR INDIVIDUAL USERS ON BERMS AND THEN WE HAVE THIS CONSERVATION EASEMENT THAT OUT OF THE 31 ACRES IS 15 ACRES, 10.7 ACRES THAT GOES FROM THIS POINT TO THIS POINT ON THE PLAN AND THEN ANOTHER 4.2 ACRES AT THIS LOCATION. WE WILL HAVE RETAIL THAT WILL BE ABLE TO BE JOINED WITH THIS RETAIL USE THAT'S ALREADY ZONED. AND IN THE FUTURE WHEN A DETAILED SITE PLAN WILL COME IN, WE WILL DO OUR BEST JOB TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED AND WORKING WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE CLUSTERED THE REST OF THE DEVELOPMENT RIGHT HERE ACROSS FROM [INDISCERNIBLE] LANE. WE HAVE MET WITH THE TRAFFIC ENGINEER AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE STEPPING STONE SCHOOL ACROSS THE WAY. YOUR TRAFFIC ENGINEER BELIEVES THIS USE AT THIS LOCATION WILL HELP CREATE THE WARRANTS FOR TRAFFIC SO THAT A TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHT CAN BE PUT UP AT SOCO BECAUSE RIGHT NOW WITH THE STEPPING STONE SCHOOL AND ALL OF THE TRAFFIC COMING OUT OF A SINGLE OUTLET LOCATION WITHOUT A LIGHT AT THIS LOCATION A TRAFFIC LIGHT IS HIGHLY NEEDED AND RIGHT NOW THERE'S A TRAFFIC LIGHT AT DAVIS LANE AT THIS LOCATION, THEN RIGHT NEXT TO IT AT DEER LANE THERE'S ANOTHER TRAFFIC LIGHT, WE HOPE THAT SOME DAY THAT THE CITY CAN COME IN, THE RIGHT-OF-WAY IS ALREADY DONATED IN THIS LOCATION SO THAT THE CITY CAN COME BUILD THIS. DEER LANE CAN BE VABLGHTEED, ONE -- VACATED ONE SINGLE INTERCHANGE DAVIS LANE, DEER LANE WOULD GO AWAY, HOPEFULLY WITH THIS APPROVAL WITH THIS PLAN WE CAN START THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS OR THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PERM, GET USES HERE, WARRANT HERE FOR THIS LIGHT THAT CHERRY CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD SO MUCH NEEDS. YOUR TRAFFIC ENGINEER HAS VERIFIED THAT THAT WOULD HELP THE TRAFFIC SITUATION FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE ALSO SPECIFICALLY ASKED FOR A -- AN AUTOMOTIVE USE IN THIS AREA RIGHT HERE, THERE'S BEEN QUESTIONS REGARDING THAT. THIS IS A FRONT LOBBY OF THE AREA THAT LOOKS LIKE A HOTEL LOBBY. THIS IS THE GARAGE ITSELF. THESE ARE THE CONDITIONS OF THE AUTOMOTIVE USE THAT ARE PREPARED

OUT HERE. THE OWNER WILL BE ON SITE. THE AUTO SERVICE SPATIAL BE COVERED WITH EPOXY FLOOR, IMPERVIOUS COVER, ALL FLUIDS. THEY ARE BUILDING AN EXTRA BAY JUST TO PUT FLUIDS IN. THE WALLS ON THE SIDE OF THAT BAY WILL BE ALSO APOXY, ANY SPILLAGE ON TO THE WALLS CANNOT GET OUT. WE WILL HAVE TO PUT A FLOOR DRAIN IN THAT MEETS ALL CITY OF AUSTIN APPLICABLE ORDINANCES. WE ARE ALSO CREATING A STORAGE ROOM THAT WILL HAVE DOUBLE LINED CONTAINERS, 250 GALLONS THAT WILL HOLD ALL MATERIALS AND THEN ANY SMALLER MATERIALS WILL BE IN 55-GALLON CONTAINERS SUCH AS RADIATOR AND TRANSMISSION FLUIDS AND ALL CLEANING FLUIDS WILL BE USED ON SITE WILL BE BIO DEGRADABLE. WE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL STAFF TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE CREATING THE STATE-OF-THE-ART IN THIS AREA. THE USE OF THAT WOULD BE ON THIS SITE RIGHT NOW IS CHRISTIAN BROTHERS, BUT WE HAVE WRITTEN THE RULES FOR IF THEY WERE TO LEAVE THE SITE THAT [BUZZER SOUNDING] ANY NEW USER WOULD BE HERE. AND THEN THE -- THEN THE PROPOSED AUTOMOTIVE USES FOR BRODIE, CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HAS BEEN IN THE COMMUNITY FOR 21 YEARS IN NORTHWEST AUSTIN. AND HAS HAD ZERO CITATIONS AGAINST IT. AGAIN, WE WENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD AND RECEIVED UNANIMOUS APPROVAL. I CAN TELL YOU IDENTIFY BEEN TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MANY TIMES, AND I DON'T THINK THAT I HAVE EVER VERY OFTEN RECEIVED UNANIMOUS APPROVAL ON RECOMMENDING THE PLAN THAT I BROUGHT TO THEM BECAUSE I'M USUALLY ASKING FOR VARIANCES, AS MR. SLUSHER ALREADY KNOWS, COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER KNOWS, SO I WAS PREVERY PROUD TO GET THAT UNANIMOUS APPROVAL.

Mayor Wynn: PLEASE CONCLUDE, YOU WILL HAVE REBUTTAL AT THE END.

WE ARE ASKING FOR ALL THREE READINGS BECAUSE IT'S BEEN 10 WEEKS SINCE WE HAVE BEEN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, WE MET WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD THIS PAST FRIDAY AND GAVE THEM ALL THE INFORMATION ON THE AREA AND WE WOULD LIKE TO GO FORWARD IN THE PLANNING PROCESS, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU MR. LINE..... LINEHAN.

Futrell: I DO HATE TO RUSH BECAUSE THIS IS A RED LETTER DAY, ANNAN MISCELLANEOUS DECISION BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD FOR PAUL.

YES, IT WAS. JUNE 2nd, I WAS VERY PROUD OF MYSELF.

I THINK IT WAS A SYMPATHY VOTE BECAUSE HE'S HAVING TO WEAR GLASSES NOW. [LAUGHTER] THE NEXT SPEAKER SIGNED UP IN FAVOR OF THIS ZONING CASE IS MR. BILL WALTERS. WELCOME, WILL. KIRK SLACK HERE? KIRK SLACK WAS -- DONATED HIS TIME.

KIRK SLACK IS -- IS WITH ME THIS EVENING, I ALSO HAVE A CASE GOING ON IN BASTROP TONIGHT, SO HE HAD TO LEAVE BECAUSE OF THE DELAY. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

AT THAT TIME BECAUSE OF MY TRAVEL PLANS WITH MY WIFE, I AGREED THAT I WOULD POSTPONE FROM JUNE 24TH UNTIL JULY 29TH. ON JUNE -- JULY 28TH AT 4:38 P.M., THIS NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP SENT AN E-MAIL INTO THE CITY STAFF AFTER NOT ONE WORD WITH ME, FROM JUNE 17TH TO JULY 28TH, OKAY, REQUESTING A MONTH POSTPONEMENT ON JULY 29TH. I CAME IN, WE SPOKE IN OPPOSITION AT THE TIME, AND YOUR WISHES WERE TO GRANT THEM TWO WEEKS' EXTENSION. MY CONSULTING TEAM MET WITH THEM LAST FRIDAY AND MY PROPOSAL TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP IS FOR THEM TO GO THROUGH AS MANY CHARRETTES AS THEY WOULD LIKE TO ON PROPERTIES THAT I OWN, HOWEVER, I WILL NOT BE ATTENDING, NOR WILL ANY OF MY CONSULTANTS. IF THEY WANT TO COME BACK WITH THE RESULTS OF THE CHARRETTE TO ME WITH A DESIGN WISH LIST, I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO CONSIDER THAT DURING THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PROATS, BUT IN MIGHT MY MIND IT HAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ZONING CASE. I ALSO WANT TO REITERATE THAT I GAVE TO THE CITY APPROXIMATELY 100 ACRES A ARE AROUND A MILE OF FRONTAGE ON BEAR CREEK AT NO COST. MORE THAN \$17,000 IN LEGAL FEES TO BE EXACT. MS. TERRY WAS INVOLVED WITH ME IN 1997 ON THE DEERFIELD TRACT AT THE CORNER OF BRODIE AND DAVIS. I ALSO RAN

SUCCESSFUL THE WW BRODIE CASE. I BELIEVE IT'S ITEMS NUMBER 2, 3 AND 5 ARE ALSO PROPERTIES OF MINE AND CASES OF MINE. SO I HAVE WORKED HAND IN HAND ON THE CITY ON 140 ACRES ALREADY AT THIS LOCATION, AND I FEEL LIKE THAT FURTHER DELAYS ARE UNNECESSARY AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READINGS. THANK YOU. >>...

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. WALTER. COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL THE CITIZENS SIGNED UP IN FAVOR OF THE ZONING CASE. ALTHOUGH I DIDN'T READ THE CARD, KIRK SLACK HAD SIGNED UP IN FAVOR OF ALL THREE READINGS TONIGHT. I'LL NOW TAKE THE CARDS OF FOLKS IN OPPOSITION. WE'LL START WITH MARY EIKNER. I'M SORRY, SHE SIGNED UP NOT WISHING TO SPEAK, AGAINST. PLEASE POSTPONE UNTIL AFTER THIS WEEKEND'S PLANNING CHARRETTE. JOHN LARKIN, WELCOME, JOHN. YOU HAVE SOME FOLKS OFFERING TIME TO YOU. IS BEN PRAGER HERE? HOW ABOUT PHILLIP NAUTON? AND NANCY MILLER. SO JOHN, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO NINE MINUTES IF YOU NEED THEM.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, MS. TERRY. I'M HERE TONIGHT SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF CHERRY CREEK ON BRODIE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AS WELL AS TANGLEWOOD OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION BY PROXY OF JERRY TRUMBO, THEIR PRESIDENT. WE'RE AGAINST THE BRODIE 31 P.U.D. AS IT'S PROPOSED AND BEFORE YOU TONIGHT, AND THERE ARE SEVERAL REASONS FOR THAT. ONE, AS YOU KNOW FROM OUR PRESENTATION ON THE HARRIS RANCH, THERE'S AN AWFUL LOT OF DEVELOPMENT THAT'S ALREADY HERE. SOMEONE ASKED SOME VERY INTELLIGENT QUESTIONS ON THAT TRAFFIC REPORT, AND IF YOU ADD UP ALL THE TRAFFIC NUMBERS THAT YOU KNOW ABOUT IN THAT YELLOW PIECE OF PAPER MAY YOUR BACKUP, YOU WILL SEE THAT IT EXCEEDS ALREADY THE 37 TRIP LIMIT THAT YOU SAID IS THE MAXIMUM SO THAT NEEDS TO BE DISCUSS THE. THERE IS A HUGE TRAFFIC IMPACT FROM THIS AND THIS. JIM CAPS BREAKING GROUND, THAT'S 450 UNITS OR SO COMING IN HERE. THERE'S A LOT THAT'S GOING ON IN OUR AREA THAT'S GOT US AT A HEIGHTENED AWARENESS AND THAT WE WANT YOU TO CONSIDER. NOW, YES, WE DID WANT YOU TO CONSIDER THE WEIGHT OF THESE TWO CASES, HARRIS RANCH AND

BRODIE 31 P.U.D. AT THE SAME TIME. THE WEIGHT THAT'S GOING TO BE PUT ON AN INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S ALREADY CRUMBLING UNDER THE BURDEN IT'S GOT NOW. ANYBODY WHO GOES UP AND DOWN BRODIE LANE ON A SATURDAY MORNING KNOWS WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. YOU CAN'T GET THROUGH WILLIAM CANNON, YOU CAN'T GET THROUGH SLAUGHTER. IT'S NOT A PRETTY PICTURE. AND THEN YOU'VE GOT -- WELL, YOU'VE GOT STRATUS 108 THAT'S COMING IN HERE. I THINK THEY'RE APARTMENTS THERE ARE GOING TO COME AS PART OF THAT. SO YOU'VE GOT THAT DEVELOPMENT. SO THAT'S THE HISTORY. AND ON MAY 18th, ZAPCO RECOMMENDED TO THE CITY STAFF THAT YOU DIRECT -- CITY COUNCIL, THAT YOU DIRECT CITY STAFF TO BEGIN THE COMPREHENSIVE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING IN OUR AREA. WE RECOGNIZED AT THAT TIME THAT IT WOULD BE AN UNFAIR BURDEN ON MR. WALTERS, MR. LOWER AND WINAN TO HAVE TO WAIT A YEAR AFTER WHAT THEY'VE BEEN THROUGH TO WAIT A PLANNING. WE WANTED A FOCUSED PLANNING EFFORT AND WE HEARD FROM PEOPLE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION THAT AT TIMES YOU ACTUALLY GRANT THAT TYPE OF FOCUS PLANNING EFFORT FOR SOMETHING THAT HAS MERIT. WE THINK BEING LOCAL RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITY THAT THIS IS ONE INSTANCE OF 140 ACRES THAT IS GOING TO COMPLETE THE BUILDOUT HERE THAT HAS THAT MERIT. BUT WE FELL ON HONESTLY DEAF EARS ON THE MOST PART ON THAT REQUEST. SO WE SAID OKAY, WE'LL GIVE IT OUR BEST SHOT. WE WENT AND LOOKED AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION WEBSITES, WE LOOKED AT WEBSITES SUCH AS COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken's. WE WENT AND WE SAID OKAY, IF WE DO THIS, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A CREDIBILITY THAT WE NEED BEFORE THE COUNCIL, WE'RE GOING TO PICK SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERTS IN THE COUNCIL'S EYES. WE CHOSE GERARD KINNEY TO BE OUR FACILITATOR FOR THE PLANNING CHARRETTE. I MET WITH HIM TODAY. WE'VE GOT OUR AGENDA, WE'VE GOT ALL THE MATERIALS WE NEED. SATURDAY AT 1:00 TO 5:00 O'CLOCK AT THE PINNACLE IN THE UPSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM YOU WILL HAVE MEMBERS OF EIGHT NEIGHBORHOODS, O'HAN, ANC, SAVE BARTON CREEK ASSOCIATION, S.O.S., ALL PARTICIPATING IN THIS PLANNING CHARRETTE. GREG GUERNSEY HAS GRACIOUSLY OFFERED TO BE A REFERENCE

FOR US AS FAR AS ZONING USES. SO WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO PUT OUR BEST FOOT FORWARD, RECOGNIZING THEY'VE GOT A RIGHT TO DEVELOP. NOBODY HERE IS SAYING THAT WE DON'T WANT THIS BUILT OUT. ACTUALLY, WE DO WANT IT BUILT OUT. WE WANT IT BUILT OUT OF AN ENDURING QUALITY, NON-BRANDED INFRASTRUCTURE, AND WE THINK WE'VE GOT SOME REALLY GOOD IDEAS. I MEAN, JUST THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, WHAT WE'VE BEEN HEARING, IS VERY RECEPTIVE TO DEVELOPMENT. WE DON'T LIKE WHAT THEY'VE SHOWN US AND THERE ARE SOME REASONS FOR THAT. WE'VE MET WITH THEM FIVE TIMES, ASKED THEM HOW MUCH THEY'VE MOVED OFF THEIR ORIGINAL USES THAT THEY PROPOSED TO US SINCE WE MET THEM THE FIRST TIME I GOT A CALL FROM PAUL LINEHAN BACK IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR. THEY HAVE NOT MOVED AT ALL, NOT ONE USE. WE TOLD THEM THAT WE HAD COMMUNITY INPUT, THAT WE DIDN'T WANT FAST FOOD, AUTOMOTIVE, COMMERCIAL STORAGE. YOU WOULD THINK THAT MAYBE THEY WOULD MOVE ON ONE OF THOSE USES. NOT ONE. ON THE OTHER HAND, MISTER'S WYNAN AND LOWER OVER HERE, THEY'VE ACTUALLY WORKED WITH US. IT HASN'T BEEN AS SMOOTH A PROCESS MAYBE AS THEY WOULD HOPE FOR TO HAVE BEEN OR FOR US, BUT THERE'S BEEN SOME NEGOTIATION. THERE'S BEEN SOME MOVEMENT TO THE MIDDLE. THERE'S BEEN SOME CONSIDERATION OF OUR VALUES FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY THAT WE PLAN ON LIVING IN AND RAISING OUR FAMILIES AT. WE'RE NOT SEEING THAT HERE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, WE'RE THREATENED WHEN WE SAY WE'RE NOT GOING TO JUST SIGN AN ENDORSEMENT LETTER. WE'RE CONFRONTED IN A VERY AGGRESSIVE MANNER. AND IT'S KIND OF STARTLING. WE'RE NOT USED TO THAT. WE HAVEN'T DEALT WITH THAT. BUT WE KEEP PUSHING FORWARD AND WE'VE EXTENDED AN INVITATION TO MR. WALTERS. WE HOPE HE CHANGES HIS MIND AND SEND HIS REPRESENTATIVES. BETTER YET, WE HOPE HE SHOWS UP HIMSELF. WE'RE REALLY WILLING TO THINK OUTSIDE OF THE BOX. WE'RE GOING TO MAKE OUR ACTIONS MATCH OUR RHETORIC. AND WE THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT IN THIS DAY AND AGE. SO I GUESS IN SUMMATION, WHAT I'D LIKE TO SAY IS WE'VE SEEN A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT. WE'VE GOT A TRACK RECORD. WE'VE WORKED WITH RANDALL'S, ANDY PASTOR, WE'VE GOT A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM. MR.

HARMON, WE WERE ABLE TO REACH AN ACCOMMODATION WITH HIM. WE WERE GOING TO REACH AN ACCOMMODATION ON THE HARRIS RANCH PROPERTY. WE'VE GOT A TRACK RECORD. MAYBE NOT OF CAVING IN, BUT WE'VE GOT VALUES, WE STICK TO OUR GUNS. WE'RE HERE EVERY OPPORTUNITY WE HAVE TO GIVE YOU INPUT AND PERSPECTIVE ON WHAT THOSE VALUES ARE. AND IF NOTHING ELSE, PLEASE, BEFORE YOU MAKE A DECISION TONIGHT ON WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO, CONSIDER THAT, HEY, THERE ARE A LOT OF CITIZENS WHO ARE PUTTING FORTH THEIR TIME AND EFFORT ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS. WE'VE ALL GOT FULL-TIME JOBS AND FAMILIES. DEVELOPMENT ISN'T OUR FULL-TIME JOB. WE'RE PAYING FOR IT OUT OF OUR OWN POCKETS. WE'RE A VOLUNTEER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. OUR FEE IS \$25 A YEAR ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS. WE'RE PAYING FOR THIS CHARRETTE IN CONJUNCTION WITH SAVE BARTON CREEK ASSOCIATION AND TANGLEWOOD OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. SO WE THINK THAT IT WOULD BE NICE IF BEFORE YOU DISMISS OUR REQUEST FOR YOU TO EVALUATE THE RESULTS OF THAT PLANNING CHARRETTE, YOU MAYBE STEP BACK, TAKE A DEEP BREATH AND THINK, WELL, MAYBE JUST MAYBE THESE FOLKS ARE ON TO SOMETHING HERE THAT COULD ACTUALLY BENEFIT THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, THE TAX BASE AND THE DEVELOPERS LONG-TERM. SO WE'D REALLY HOPE THAT YOU GIVE US THAT CONSIDERATION. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, OBVIOUSLY YOU KNOW I LIKE TO HEAR MYSELF TALK, SO I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. LARKIN. COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER. CLUSH.

Slusher: I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT ONE THING, MR. LARKIN. THERE IS SOME GOOD INFORMATION ON HERE, AS YOU POINTED OUT. BUT BEFORE I WANT TO GET ANY OF YOUR NEIGHBORS UNDULY EXCITED, THE STRATUS 108 YOU SAID WAS APARTMENTS, BUT THAT'S ACTUALLY RETAIL, PHARMACY, BANK AND RESTAURANTS THAT'S PROPOSED TO BE 26,000 SQUARE FEET.

THAT'S WHAT'S CURRENTLY EITHER BEING BUILT OR STARTED TO BE BUILT. BUT THEY'VE ACTUALLY GOT FOUR PAD SITES THERE. SO YOU'RE ONLY SEEING THREE OF THEM

THAT HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED. THEY ALSO AS PART OF THE SETTLEMENT ARE ALLOWED DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM BRODIE, I THINK MARTY TERRY CAN ADDRESS THIS, BUT AS PART OF THAT SETTLEMENT THEY'RE ALLOWED TO PUT APARTMENTS DIRECTLY ACROSS THERE, THEY JUST NEED TO DECIDE. I GUESS MR. BO ARMSTRONG, HOWEVER HE'S GOING TO SHELL THAT OUT, HE HAS THE OPTION TO PUT UP TO 400 UNITS, I BELIEVE. WHEN I WAS ON THAT COMMITTEE THAT CHAIRMAN BAKER FOUNDED TO EXAMINE THIS --

Slusher: IT'S NOT REFLECTED ON HEEMPLT.

SO THAT'S SLIGHTLY INACCURATE.

Slusher: I WONDER WHAT THE SQUARE FOOTAGE BECAUSE THE ONES DOWN THE STREET ARE 400,000, AND 316, AND THEN THE BRODIE LANE RANDALL'S SHOPPING CENTER THERE IS 138,000. WHICH IS ABOUT SIX TIMES AS MUCH. AS MUCH AS THE RETAIL ON 108.

I'M JUST SAYING IF YOU LOOK AT IT --

Slusher: I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. LIKE I SAID, I THINK YOU MADE SOME GOOD POINTS. WE'LL GET THAT CLEARED UP. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. FURTHER QUESTIONS OF MR. LARKIN? THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER IS MR. PHIL BROWN. WELCOME, PHIL. YOU WILL HAVE UP TO THREE MINUTES AND YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY BRYAN JUDAS.

HOWDY, I'M THE PRESIDENT OF CHERRY CREEK ON BRODIE RIGHT NOW. AND YEAH, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT I'M A LITTLE BIT TAKEN ABACK AT SOME OF THE THINGS THAT I KIND OF SENSE COMING HERE BECAUSE WE DO PRIDE OURSELVES ON COMMUNITY SPIRIT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND WE HAVE WORKED NONSTOP, IT SEEMS. NOW I'VE BEEN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR ABOUT TWO AND A HALF YEARS AND I'VE BEEN ON THE BOARD THAT WHOLE TIME. AND IT'S JUST BEEN NONSTOP STUFF, BUT I FEEL LIKE WE HAVE REACHED SOME PRETTY SUCCESSFUL ACCOMMODATIONS ON PROPERTIES TO OUR SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST AND NORTH.

AND WE REALLY, REALLY WANT TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT HERE WITH MR. WALTERS ON THIS BRODIE 31 PROJECT. IT'S A LITTLE DIFFICULT BECAUSE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING WHAT WE GOT WAS NOT AN OFFER TO COME SIT DOWN AND HEAR WHAT THE NEEDS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ARE. WHAT WE GOT IN THE VERY BEGINNING WAS A LETTER THAT THEY WROTE UP AND PUT JOHN LARKIN'S NAME ON THE BOTTOM OF IT AND SAID IF YOU SIGN THIS WE CAN MOVE ON. NOW, I GUESS WE'VE BEEN ACCUSED OF TACTICS AND TACTIC TO ME IS NOT A DIRTY WORD. I GUESS IT DEPENDS ON WHICH SIDE OF THE BATTLE LINES YOU'RE ON, BUT THIS IS A TACTIC AS WELL. I RESPECT THEM FOR CERTAINLY TRYING TO MOVE THROUGH WHAT THEY WANT TO DO. THE AUTOMOTIVE USE IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO THEM. WE'VE BEEN GIVEN LOTS OF GLOSSY MATERIALS ABOUT THE AUTOMOTIVE USE THAT'S PROPOSED. WE'VE BEEN GIVEN PRACTICALLY NO DETAIL ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE. AND SO WE HAD A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE MEET WITH THEM AT FIRST, AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. AND I THINK AT FIRST WE WERE FAIRLY HOPEFUL, BUT AS TIME WENT ON, THE MEETINGS WENT ON, WE REALIZED THESE FOLKS WEREN'T GOING TO BUDGE OFF WHAT THEY WERE ASKING FOR, WE THOUGHT GEE, WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? WE HAD REACHED ALL KINDS OF ACCOMMODATIONS WITH THE HARMON RANCH FOLKS, WITH ENDEAVOR GROUP ON SHADY HOLLOW SHOPPING CENTER AND WITH THE HARRIS RANCH PROJECT. I GUESS WE WOULD LIKE TO DO THIS WITH BRODIE 31. I GUESS THE FEELING OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND WE ARE BY THE WAY, REPOLLING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE'RE GOING OUT TO THEM AGAIN, BUGGING THEM WITH ANOTHER SURVEY. AND THE RESULTS ARE THEY DON'T WANT AUTOMOTIVE USES RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM OUR ENTRANCE, THEY DON'T WANT COMMERCIAL STORAGE, WE DON'T NEED ANY MORE FAST FOOD. WE'VE GOT ENOUGH OF THAT OUT IN OUR PART OF TOWN. WE WANT TO SEE SOMETHING THAT WE CAN BE PROUD OF FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. I DIDN'T MOVE INTO MY NEIGHBORHOOD TO FEEL LIKE I WAS BEING PUSHED OUT BY HEAVY DEVELOPMENT AND HAVE TO MOVE AGAIN. I COULD HAVE MOVED TO SOMEPLACE WHERE THEY DON'T FIGHT EVERY ANYTHING LIKE CIRCLE C, BUT I CHOICE CHERRY CREEK INSTEAD. WE ARE COMMITTED TO OUR

PROCESS. WE TOLD Y'ALL WEEKS AGO THAT WE WERE GOING TO PUT IN THE WORK DO THIS. WE HOPED REALLY AFTER ASKING FOR SO LONG THAT WE WOULD HAVE SOME REAL PLANNING INPUT. WE UNDERSTAND Y'ALL'S RESOURCES ARE STRETCHED TO THE LIMIT AND WE INSEARLY BELIEVE YOU WILL GIVE US THE PLANNING RESOURCES WE WANT IN DUE TIME, BUT FOR NOW WE REALLY ARE COMMITTED TO THIS AND WE'RE PUTTING OUR MONEY WHERE OUR MOUTH IS. WE'RE PUTTING UP MONEY AND TIME AND ENERGY. [BUZZER SOUNDS] I WOULD JUST REALLY ASK YOU TO GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY WHERE WE CAN COME BACK AND DO WHAT WE WANT TO DO, WHICH IS WALK IN HERE TOGETHER WITH THE DEVELOPER, WITH A PROJECT THAT Y'ALL ARE HAPPY WITH AND WE'RE HAPPY WITH, AND I CAN GO BACK TO RAISING MY KID. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. BROWN. NEXT SPEAKER IS BRYAN JUDAS. WELCOME. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY -- I'M SORRY -- SHARON SHUDER? IS SHE STILL HERE? SHE WAS OFFERING HER MINUTES. SO BRYAN, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO THREE MINUTES IF YOU NEED THEM.

THANK YOU, SIR. GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE MAYOR, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS. MY NAME IS BRYAN JUDAS. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MY FAMILY AND MY NEIGHBORS BOTH IN MY DIRECT NEIGHBORHOOD IN CHERRY CREEK AND ALSO MY NEIGHBORS IN DEER PARK AND CASTLEWOOD WHO ASKED FOR A POSTPONEMENT TONIGHT. THROUGH THIS PROCESS I'VE LEARNED A GREAT DEAL. I'VE HAD AN EDUCATION THROUGH THE HARRIS RANCH PROJECT AND NOW THIS BRODIE 31 PROJECT. WHAT I'VE SEEN IS THAT THE PROCESS BASICALLY IS DEVELOPED SO THAT YOU TAKE A DEVELOPMENT FROM POINT A TO POINT B. THROUGH THAT YOU HAVE A DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT THAT COMES IN BEFORE THE ACTUAL DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION COMES IN OR THE ZONING APPLICATION COMES IN. THE DEVELOPER FINDS OUT WHAT IT NEEDS TO DO SO IT CAN GET ITS ZONING APPLICATION APPROVED OR RECOMMENDED BY THE STAFF. THEN THE STAFF AFTER WORKING VERY HARD AND OVERWORKED AT THAT, AND WE'VE SPENT MANY HOURS TALKING WITH THEM AND THEY'VE BEEN GREAT, BUT WE DO HAVE A STAFF RECOMMENDATION. AND THEN WE

COME BEFORE YOU. AND YOU HAVE TO REVIEW THIS. IT'S YOUR JOB TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC, WHICH IS A VERY WEIGHTY OBLIGATION. IN THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT WHAT WE'VE SEEN IS A DEVELOPER ASKING YOU TO LOOK AT THIS IN THE MICRO. WELL, IN FACT, WE HAVE A MACRO SITUATION HERE. WE HAVE THE HARRIS RANCH PROJECT, WHICH IS DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET, WHICH IS ABOUT 100 ACRES. WE ALSO HAVE THIS 31 ACRES. BUT IN THE THREE YEARS I'VE LIVED IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD IN CHERRY CREEK, THERE'S BEEN OVER 250 ACRES THAT HAVE COME BEFORE YOU FOR DEVELOPMENT REVIEW. SO THIS ISN'T NEW. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HAS DEALT WITH THIS FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS AND WE'VE WORKED WITH DEVELOPERS AND WE'VE TRIED TO WORK WITH THE NEED TO DEVELOP THEIR PROPERTY WITH OUR NEEDS TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY. I THINK WE'VE DONE A GOOD JOB AT IT AND WE'RE STILL WORKING AT IT. IT'S A LEARNING PROCESS. AND HOPEFULLY DEVELOPERS KNOW THEY CAN COME WORK WITH US. IN THIS PARTICULAR SITUATION WE HAVE A DEVELOPER THAT'S ASKING YOU TO APPROVE 31 ACRES. RIGHT NEXT DOOR TO THE 31 ACRES IS ALREADY TRACTS THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED. AND WHILE THEY'RE ASKING YOU NOT TO LOOK OUTSIDE THE ZONING APPLICATION, IN FACT, ON THE RECORD IN FRONT OF ZAPCO AND IN THEIR OWN -- IN THE MATERIALS THAT YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU, THEY ADMIT THAT THEY'RE GOING TO COMBINE THOSE TRACTS. SO YOU WILL HAVE THE SUPER TRACT, THE WAL-MART SIZE TRACTS. WHAT THEY'RE ASKING FOR IS AN APPROVAL OF A P.U.D. HERE THAT ALLOWS CS USES. THAT'S AN EXTREMELY LARGE LEAP IN ZONING, ESPECIALLY WHERE IT'S UNPLANNED. IT'S NOT BEEN AN ATTEMPT OR AN ABILITY TO DO SOME SIGNIFICANT PLANNING WITH RESPECT TO THESE 140 ACRES THAT ARE BEFORE YOU. SO WE'VE COME UP WITH OUR OWN DOLLARS AND WE SAID LET'S GET TOGETHER AND DO A CHARRETTE AND INVITE THE DEVELOPERS. WE RETAIN ARCHITECTS WHO ARE INDEPENDENT, WHO ARE WELL RESPECTED IN FRONT OF COUNCIL AND SEE IF WE CAN ALL WORK TOGETHER AND COME AND LOOK AT THINGS OUTSIDE THE BOX. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE PLANNING ON DOING ON SATURDAY. SO WHAT I WOULD ASK YOU TO DO IS KEEP AN OPEN MIND. WAIT UNTIL YOU HAVE ALL THE EVIDENCE IN FRONT OF YOU BEFORE

YOU MAKE YOUR DECISION. LET US DO OUR PLANNING CHARRETTE. LET US COME BACK BEFORE YOU AND PRESENT TO YOU -- [BUZZER SOUNDS] -- THE RESULTS OF THAT CHARRETTE AND HOPEFULLY BASED ON THOSE RESULTS YOU CAN MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ON THIS ZONING APPLICATION. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. COUNCIL, THAT'S ALL THE FOLKS SIGNED UP IN OPPOSITION OF THIS ZONING CASE. WE WILL NOW HAVE A THREE MINUTE REBUTTAL FROM THE APPLICANT'S AGENT.

COUNCILMEMBERS, MAYOR, I'M KIND OF SHOCKED. ALL THE EVIDENCE IS IN FRONT OF YOU. WE'VE BEEN PLANNING THIS SINCE '97, THREE DIFFERENT TRACTS, 140 ACRES. IT'S BEEN DETAILED PLANNED. AND WE THOUGHT WE WERE WORKING VERY WELL WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND WE DID GIVE THEM A LETTER TO SIGN BECAUSE ONE NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY WE THOUGHT WE WERE ALL IN AGREEMENT, SO WE WENT AHEAD AND TRAFD DRAFTED A LETTER SAYING COULD YOU PLEASE SIGN BECAUSE WE THINK YOU'RE IN AGREEMENT? AND THEY'VE HAD A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT WE GAVE THEM 90 DAYS AGO ASKING THEM FOR ANY DIFFERENT LAND USES THAT THEY COULD DO. AND ON MAY 17TH WE GOT A LETTER BACK FROM THEM SAYING WE'VE POLLED THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THEY WANT OFFICE BUILDINGS. THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WE'RE NOT IN THE OFFICE MARKET RIGHT HERE. WE THINK THESE USES ARE WHAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD NEEDS. WE'VE TALKED TO THEM. WE'VE GONE THROUGH THE DETAILS. WE BROUGHT THE GUY IN FROM HOUSTON WITH CHRISTIAN BROTHERS TO GIVE A DETAILED PRESENTATION. WE'VE PROVED TO THEM THAT WE ARE A SOLUTION TO THEIR TRAFFIC PROBLEMS. WE'RE DEDICATING 15 ACRES OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING THE ENVIRONMENTAL STAFF HAS ASKED US TO DO. WE HAVE GOT STAFF SUPPORT ON THIS. WE HAVE HAD PLANNING COMMISSION SUPPORT ON THIS AND WE HAVE HAD UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD ON THIS. WE'VE GONE OUT OF OUR WAY. I MET WITH THEM FRIDAY AFTERNOON PERSONALLY TO FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT THEY WANTED. TELL ME WHAT YOU GREW UP IN YOUR CHARRETTE. I PULLED OUT ALL THE ZONING CASES. I GAVE

THEM A BOOKLET OF ALL THE PAST HISTORY ON THIS. AND THEY SAID WELL, WE LOOKED ON THE INTERNET AND WE GOT THE SITE AESTHETIC THINGS THAT WERE MADE UP BY BREWSTER -- COUNCILMEMBER BREWSTER MCCRACKEN'S STUDY. I'VE TALKED TO BREWSTER MCCRACKEN ABOUT THIS AND THESE ARE IDEAS. THIS IS AN AREA FOR VERY HIGH DENSITY. WE HAVE A LIMITATION. WE'RE NOT PLANNING ON DOING A WAL-MART. WE HAVE A LIMITATION OF 40,000 SQUARE FEET ON ANY BUILDING. I'VE LOOKED AT IT. IF YOU PUT ALL THOSE SITES TOGETHER AND BUILT ONE BUILDING YOU COULDN'T DO A 40,000 SQUARE FEET BUILDING. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT VERY SMALL USES THAT THIS NEIGHBORHOOD REALLY NEEDS. I DON'T THINK THIS NEIGHBORHOOD REALLY KNOWS THE PLANNING PROCESS AND THEY'RE ASKING YOU TO DO A SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT RIGHT NOW. I'M NOT OUT HIRE TO TRY TO DO A SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT. I'M TALKING ABOUT A P.U.D. ZONING WHERE WE'VE RAISED THE BAR, WE'VE IMPROVED THE ZONING STANDARDS WELL BEYOND GR OR CS OR LR OR MULTI-FAMILY. THEY SAY THAT ALL THESE RESIDENTS ARE BEING BUILT IN THIS AREA. AND THERE'S NO -- THEY CAN'T HANDLE IT. THIS IS GOING TO CREATE THE WARRANT FOR A TRAFFIC LIGHT ACROSS FROM THEIR LOCATION WHERE THEY'RE A SINGLE LOADING NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP BECAUSE THEY DID NOT EXTEND THE STREET THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SO THEY FORCED THE TRAFFIC OUT IN FRONT. THE STEPPING STONE SCHOOL, THEY HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE YOUNG KIDS AND THE TRAFFIC COMING HOME AT THE SAME TIME. WE'RE SHOWING THEM HOW TO MEET THE WARRANTS AND SOLVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS. YOUR TRAFFIC ENGINEER TOLD THEM IN THAT MEETING WERKS THOUGHT WE HAD AN AGREEMENT, AND ON MAY 17TH THEY JUST SAY, WELL, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T LIKE IT BECAUSE WE POLLED THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND WE WANT OFFICE USES. THAT'S NOT ACCEPTABLE TO WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING FOR OVER A YEAR TRYING TO WORK WITH THESE FOLKS. AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO TRY TO WORK WITH THESE GUYS, BUT IT'S A SITE AESTHETICS THAT THEY'RE LOOKING FOR, BILL WALTERS HAS A PROVEN TRACT RECORD ON DOING AWARD WINNING PROJECTS IN THIS AREA. THAT IS WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE, WE'RE TRYING TO PUT 15 ACRES IN CONSERVATION EASEMENT

AND DO AN OUTSTANDING PROJECT AND WE WOULD STRONGLY ASK FOR ALL THREE READINGS, STRONG SUPPORT FROM YOU TODAY. THANK YOU. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'M MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. LINEHAN. QUESTIONS OF THE APPLICANT, THE AGENT, NEIGHBORS, COUNCIL?

Alvarez: QUESTIONS FOR STAFF.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: IN REFERENCE TO SOME OF THE QUESTIONS THAT STAFF RESPONDED TO THAT I HAD ASKED RELATED TO TRAFFIC IMPACTS, WE GOT SOME RESPONSES HERE. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I HAD, AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE STAFF HERE TO DO THE QUESTION, BUT THE SECOND QUESTION THAT I ASKED HAS TO DO WITH THE CURRENT VOLUMES ON BRODIE LANE, TRAFFIC VOLUMES. AND THEY SAY IT'S ABOUT -- IN 2002 IT WAS ABOUT 20,000 VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY BETWEEN WILLIAM CANNON AND SLAUGHTER. AND THEN WE HAVE A MAP OF SOME OF THE RETAIL SITES ALONG BRODIE FROM ALEXANDRIA TO SLAUGHTER. BUT I WAS WONDERING IS THAT BIG SHOPPING CENTER ON -- WHICH IS TRACT NUMBER 9 RIGHT THERE ON SLAUGHTER AND BRODIE, IF THESE TRAFFIC VOLUMES OR ESTIMATED TO BRODIE LANE OR FOR 2002 WITH THE TRAFFIC IMPACT OF THAT NEW SHOPPING CENTER WOULD BE REFLECTED THERE? PROBABLY NOT, I WOULD THINK.

LET ME ASK GEORGE ZAPALAC WITH WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW. THEY COMPILE THE ANSWERS FOR MOST OF THE TRANSPORTATION QUESTIONS. THE FIRST QUESTION THAT LOOKED AT THE PROJECTS THAT ARE ONE THROUGH NINE BETWEEN ALEXANDER AND SLAUGHTER LANE WAS DONE BY NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING BASED ON APPROVED SITE PLAN AND THOSE PROJECTS THAT WERE UNDER CONSTRUCTION BY ACTUALLY SITE VISITS, DRIVING DOWN THE ROADWAY, AND THE SQUARE FOOTAGE WERE TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM THOSE APPROVED PLANS OR TRAVIS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT TAX RECORDS. I'LL MENTION JUST BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO MR. ZAPALAC, ON TRACT 108, THE STRATUS TRACT, THE

APARTMENTS WOULD MOST LIKELY BE LOCATED FURTHER AWAY FROM THE INTERSECTION OF BRODIE AND SLAUGHTER, AND WE COULD NOT FIND ANY RECORD OF THE APARTMENTS ACTUALLY BEING SUBMITTED. WE FOUND AN APPROVED SITE PLAN FOR THE RETAIL SITE WHERE THERE'S AN EK... ECKERD'S CURRENTLY EXISTING AND A WELLS FARGO BANK TO BE CONSTRUCTED AND TWO OTHER PADS. THERE WAS A SITE PLAN APPROVED FOR THAT. THERE WAS UNDER THE STRATUS AGREEMENT AND THERE IS ALLOWED UNDER THE ZONING APARTMENTS THAT ARE ALLOWED ON THIS LARGER TRACT, SO I THINK IT'S 105-ACRE TRACT. AS OF THIS DAY I COULD NOT FIND A COPY OF THE APPROVED SITE PLAN OR ONE THAT'S ACTUALLY SUBMITTED FOR THAT USE.

Slusher: MAYOR, I HAVE BEEN DOING SOME RESEARCH SINCE MR. LARKIN SPOKE, AND THERE ARE APARTMENTS ON THERE. IT'S MIXED USE. IT'S GR-MU ON THE 108. AND I'M NOT SURE WHICH PART OF THE TRACT THEY WOULD BE LOCATED ON, BUT IT SAYS 434 APARTMENTS.

THE ONES THAT WE WERE LOOKING AT WERE DIRECTLY ON BRODIE LANE, ALL THE USES THAT WE WERE LOOKING AT.

WE'LL GO BACK AND I'LL DOUBLE.....DOUBLE-CHECK THAT TO SEE IF THE APARTMENTS ARE TAKING ACCESS OVER TO BRODIE, BUT I COULD NOT FIND THAT WHEN I DID MY SEARCH.

Slusher: OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, I'M GEORGE ZAPALAC WITH WATERSHED AND NEIGHBORHOOD PROTECTION. THE 2002 TRAFFIC VOLUME, 260 VEHICLES PER DAY ON BRODIE, ONLY TOOK INTO ACCOUNT THE FACILITIES THAT WERE DEVELOPED AT THE TIME. AND I DON'T BELIEVE THE CENTER AT BRODIE AND SLAUGHTER WAS BUILT AT THAT TIME. AT LEAST NOT FULLY BUILT. THE APPLICANT DID TAKE INTO ACCOUNT IN THE TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS ANY TRAFFIC THAT'S CURRENTLY ON THE ROAD THAT MIGHT BE GENERATED BY THAT DEVELOPMENT TODAY OR AT THE TIME THAT THE STUDY WAS DONE. THE FORECAST FOR THE

YEAR 2017 AND 2025 ARE TAKEN FROM THE CAMPO LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AND THEY INDICATE THAT THE TRAFFIC VOLUME WILL INCREASE SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE NEXT 10 TO 15 YEARS, BUT THEN THEY ACTUALLY PROJECT A SMALL REDUCTION AFTER THAT AS OTHER ROADS ARE BUILT, SUCH AS WESTGATE BOULEVARD, LATA DRIVE AND ESCARPMENT BOULEVARD THAT WOULD TAKE SOME OF THE NORTH-SOUTH TRAFFIC OFF OF BRODIE LANE THAT'S CURRENTLY USING THE ROAD.

Alvarez: OKAY. THAT WAS THE NEXT QUESTION ABOUT THE DROP IN TRIPS THAT HAPPENS BETWEEN 2017 AND 2025. BECAUSE THE CAPACITY IS 37,000? IS THAT THE CURRENT CAPACITY?

THAT IS THE APPROXIMATE CAPACITY OF... OF THE ROAD.

Alvarez: IN THAT STRETCH? AND THEN I ASKED A QUESTION ABOUT LOOKING AT THE UNDEVELOPED RETAIL TRACTS. AND WHAT THE ESTIMATE OF THE TRAFFIC OF THOSE UNDEVELOPED TRACTS WOULD BE. AND I THINK YOU ESTIMATED ABOUT 10,000.

YES, THAT'S CORRECT. AND THEN IN ADDITION TO THE RETAIL TRACTS, THIS TRACT, BRODIE 31 PROJECT, WOULD ADD ABOUT 3200 TRIPS. THE HARRIS RANCH PROJECT ABOUT 3600. AND THE APARTMENT COMPLEX ON BRODIE AT ROBERT MORRISON DRIVE WOULD ADD ABOUT 2600 TRIPS.

Alvarez: AND THOSE ARE NOT PART OF THE 10,000?

NO. A TOTAL OF 10,000 -- ABOUT ANOTHER 20,000 TOTAL FROM ALL OF THOSE.

Alvarez: OKAY. SO IF YOU ADD 20 TO THE 20 IN 2002, THEN YOU'RE GETTING CLOSE TO 40,000.

RIGHT, ALMOST 40,000, THAT'S CORRECT.

Alvarez: AND PROJECTED FOR 2017 IS 42-5. THE CAPACITY SHOWN HERE IS 37,000.

RIGHT. WE DO ANTICIPATE SOME PERIOD WHERE IT WOULD

BE OVER CAPACITY UNTIL OTHER LINKS IN THE ROADWAY NETWORK ARE COMPLETED.

Alvarez: OKAY. I THINK THAT ANSWERS MOST OF THE QUESTIONS. I THINK IT'S RELEVANT INFORMATION AS WE MOVE FORWARD HERE IN EVALUATING NEW PROJECTS ALONG THIS CORRIDOR OR THIS ARTERIAL.

Alvarez: MAYOR. I WANTED TO FOLLOW ON THAT. ARE THESE YOURS QUESTIONS? THESE ARE GOOD QUESTIONS. SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND, THOUGH, THE 20,000 -- I THINK YOU SAID FROM WHAT IS LISTED ON THIS STREET IS 20,000 NEW TRIPS, IF ALL THAT BUILDS OUT. THAT'S WHAT I HEARD YOU SAY.

YES, SIR, THAT'S CORRECT.

Slusher: BUT IS THAT 20,000 THEN INCLUDED IN THE NUMBER, THE PROJECTED VOLUME OF 42,500 IN 2017?

THE NUMBER WASN'T DERIVED FROM ACTUAL PROJECTS. IT WAS AN ESTIMATE DONE THROUGH THE LONG RANGE MODELING SYSTEM BASED UPON PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION GROWTH. SO IT'S NOT AS ACCURATE AS HAVING EXACT DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION AS WE HAVE HERE. SO YOU CAN'T DIRECTLY COMPARE THE NUMBERS. IT GIVES YOU AN IDEA OF WHAT IT WOULD BE IN 2017, BUT BASED UPON THE ACTUAL APPROVED DEVELOPMENTS, THAT SHOULD GIVE US A MORE ACCURATE NUMBER OF WHAT WE COULD EXPECT. SO THE 39,000 IS -- I'M SORRY. THE EXISTING 19,000 PLUS THE ADDITIONAL 20,000 IN APPROVED AND PENDING PROJECTS WOULD TAKE IT UP TO ABOUT 40,000, WHICH IS VERY CLOSE TO THAT 2017 NUMBER. BUT THE 2017 NUMBER IS BASED UPON DIFFERENT ASSUMPTIONS. I DON'T KNOW IF I'M EXPLAINING THIS VERY WELL.

Slusher: YOU COULDN'T SAY THEN THAT -- YOU CERTAINLY WOULDN'T ADD THOSE 20,000 ON ON TO THAT 42 BECAUSE SOME OF YOUR ASSUMPTIONS WOULD RESULT IN THE KIND OF THING THAT'S HAPPENING THAT'S LISTED HERE.

THAT'S CORRECT. WHAT YOU CAN DO IS ADD THE 20,000 ON

TO THE EXISTING 19,000.

39, WHENEVER THESE WOULD BUILD OUT.

YES.

Slusher: WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE BEFORE 2017.

YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

Slusher: OKAY. AND WHAT DID YOU SAY THE STREETS WERE? ESCARPMENT? THAT WERE GOING TO BE WIDENED OR CUT THROUGH I GUESS IT IS?

WELL, TO THE EAST IS WESTGATE. THAT WOULD PROBABLY HAVE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT IMPACT IF WESTGATE WAS COMPLETED ALL THE WAY THROUGH TO SLAUGHTER LANE. TO THE WEST THERE'S LATA DRIVE, WHICH IS THE MINOR ARTERIAL, AND IT IS PROJECTED TO EXTEND DOWN TO DEER LANE AND THERE WILL BE ANOTHER CONNECTION DOWN TO SLAUGHTER THAT COULD TAKE SOME TRAFFIC OFF OF BRODIE. ESCARPMENT BOULEVARD WEST OF MOPAC WOULD PROBABLY HAVE AS MUCH OF AN IMPACT BUT IT COULD POTENTIALLY DIVERT TRAFFIC OFF OF BRODIE.

Slusher: I HATE TO BRING UP A CONTROVERSIAL TOPIC, BUT I THINK IT'S RELEVANT. IF WE LOOKED AT -- DO YOU KNOW IF TXDOT HAS LOOKED AT -- IF THERE'S TOLL THERE AT WILLIAM CANNON WOULD PEOPLE COME OVER TO BRODIE AND GO DOWN THAT, DO YOU THINK THAT MIGHT -- I KNOW I'M PUTTING YOU ON THE SPOT THERE.

AND SAY THAT FOUR-LETTER WORD? >>...

SLUSHER: I KNOW IT. I'VE BEEN AVOIDING IT.

I DON'T THINK THAT'S BEEN ANALYZED. IT IS A POSSIBILITY; HOWEVER, THE PRESENT CONFIGURATION OF THE ROAD THERE'S NO OVERPASS. AND THE EXISTING FRONTAGE ROADS THAT ARE THERE WOULD REMAIN. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH DIVERSION WOULD OCCUR.

Slusher: OKAY. DO WE HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MANY CARS --

WHAT'S THE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC COMING ON TO BRODIE FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD ON -- THAT'S HERE TONIGHT THAN ON THE OTHER SIDE OF BRODIE THERE?

FROM THE CHERRY CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD OFF OF SILK OAK? I DON'T -- I DO HAVE EXISTING TRAFFIC COUNTS HERE. IT LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE ABOUT 200 VEHICLES -- LET'S SEE, ABOUT 250 VEHICLES ENTERING AND LEAVING IN THE MORNING, SO IF YOU ASSUME THAT'S ABOUT 10% OF THE TOTAL, IT WOULD BE SOMETHING LIKE 2500 PER DAY. >>...

SLUSHER: 2500 A DAY. AND THIS PROJECT IS 3200?

YES.

Slusher: SO THAT 2500 WOULD ALREADY BE IN THE 19,000 THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY?

YES.

Slusher: SO THAT'S ABOUT 10% -- A LITTLE MORE THAN 10% OF THE TOTAL VOLUME THERE OR IS THAT 250 IN THE MORNING -- 500 A DAY?

WELL, THAT'S JUST THE PEAK HOUR. THE PEAK HOUR IS NORMALLY ABOUT 10% OF THE 24 HOUR TOTAL.

Slusher: SO 2500. THAT'S A LITTLE MORE THAN 10% OF THE CARS ON BRODIE.

YES.

Slusher: CURRENTLY.

YES.

Slusher: OKAY. THAT'S ALL MY QUESTIONS.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken.

McCracken: YEAH, MR. ZAPALAC, I HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT AS WE GO THROUGH A P.U.D. ZONING PROCESS. WHAT

LIMITATIONS THAT PLACES ON THINGS SUCH AS, FOR INSTANCE, AS THE FOLKS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE PULLED UP THE WORK..... WORKSHEET -- THANK YOU. I PREPARED THAT AND IT'S COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. WHAT I'M TRYING TO GET ON BEAD ON IS WOULD THE P.U.D. ZONING BE AFFECTED BY WHATEVER MIGHT COME OUT OF ANY KIND OF ORDINANCE THAT MIGHT BE PASSED HERE IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS? OR DOES THE P.U.D. ZONING END THE DISCUSSION?

CONCERNING THE DESIGN GUIDELINES? >>...

MCCRACKEN: YES.

I WOULD IMAGINE THE DESIGN GUIDELINES WOULD APPLY TO ANY DEVELOPMENT THAT OCCURRED AFTER THAT DATE. IT DEPENDS ON IF THERE ARE ANY KIND OF EXEMPTIONS WRITTEN INTO THE ORDINANCE. IF THEY APPLY TO ANY NEW SITE PLAN THAT'S SUBMITTED AFTER THAT DATE, THEN THEY WOULD APPLY TO ANY NEW DEVELOPMENT.

McCracken: BECAUSE I THINK LIKE FOR INSTANCE WHAT STAFF HAS LOOKED AT IN TERMS OF POTENTIAL ORDINANCE TOWARD URBAN DESIGN ISSUES WOULD BE THAT IT WOULD BE HANDLED ON THE DESIGN DEVELOPMENT PORTION OF THE PROCESS. SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WOULD HAPPEN AFTER THE PUD ZONING OR WOULD THE P.U.D. ZONING KIND OF END THAT DISCUSSION?

THEY WOULD STILL HAVE TO SUBMIT SITE PLANS ON ANY DEVELOPMENT THAT OCCURS ON THE PROPERTY. AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY ARE EXACTLY IN THEIR PROCESS. THEY DO SEEM TO HAVE ONE USER THAT MAY BE COMING FORWARD IN THE NEAR FUTURE. BUT ANYTHING THAT WOULD COME IN AFTER THE ORDINANCE WOULD BE SUBJECT TO THAT ORDINANCE. THE P.U.D. I DON'T BELIEVE WOULD GRANDFATHER OUT OF THE NEW DESIGN GUIDELINES.

McCracken: DID YOU HAVE SOMETHING ELSE?

IF I'M ASKED TO SPEAK, I'LL BE >P&C @&Cu THAT ISSUE.

McCracken: YOU LOOKED LI YOU HAD SOME IDEAS.

TO ANSWER THE QUESTION. THE ONLY USER INVOLVED HERE, THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO DESIGN, NO CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS, NO CONTRACTS IN THE WORKS FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN THIS CHRISTIAN BROTHERS AUTOMOTIVE. AGAIN, AS MR. LINEHAN MENTIONED, THERE HAS BEEN A VERY THOROUGH PRESENTATION, THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REVIEW, THIS NEIGHBORHOOD HAS MET WITH THEM AND SO FORTH. SO AGAIN, MY PROPOSAL TO THIS NEIGHBORHOOD IS THAT I WANT TO HAVE THEM DO THEIR CHARRETTE, LOOK AT YOUR DESIGN STANDARDS, OF COURSE, THAT'S PART OF THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PROCESS, WE'LL ADDRESS IT AT THAT TIME. THIS IS A ZONING MATTER AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE REQUESTING ALL THREE READINGS DUE TO THE LENGTHY DELAY THAT WE'VE ALREADY BEEN THROUGH. THANK YOU.

McCracken: MR. ZAPALAC, I'M SORRY. I JUST WANTED TO ASK YOU ONE QUICK QUESTION. SO WHAT WOULD WE BE FORECLOSING -- WHAT WOULD WE BE RESOLVING OTHER THAN USE THROUGH THIS P.U.D. ZONING APPLICATION?

YOU WOULD BE ESTABLISHING THE USE AND THE SITE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS. THE FLOOR TO AREA RAISH RATIOS, THE IMPERVIOUS COVER, THE VARIOUS OTHER STANDARDS THAT ARE WRITTEN INTO THE P.U.D. ORDINANCE. AND MR. GUERNSEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO EXPAND ON THAT A LITTLE BIT MORE.

THE USE REGULATIONS WOULD BE THOSE THAT ARE TYPICALLY ALLOWED UNDER THE COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DIRECT, THE GR DISTRICT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE USE THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED FROM THE CS OR GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES CATEGORY OR DISTRICT. AND THAT WOULD BE THE MINI-WAREHOUSE OR STORAGE. SO IT'S THE ONLY CS USE THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED THAT'S NOT ALLOWED ALREADY IN THE GR REGULATION. THE SITE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ARE SIMILAR TO LR, WHICH IS A NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL STANDARD, AND THAT HAS GENERALLY THE SAME STANDARD OR SIMILAR STANDARDS AS THE LO ZONING DISTRICT AS FAR AS ITS CATEGORY. THE OWNER HAS AGREED ALSO TO SOME OTHER

REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU WOULD NOT NECESSARILY FIND WHEN THERE'S A MAC MUSLIM BUILDING FOOTPRINT OF 40,000 SQUARE FEET. AND THE USE OF BERM SIGNS. ALSO ADDED RESTRICTIONS, AGAIN, GROW GREEN, IPM, NO COAL BASED TAR. BUT IN THE AREAS OF THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT, THERE WOULD BE NO WATER DETENTION, WATER FILTRATION FACILITY OTHER THAN REIRRIGATION. SO THOSE STRUCTURES IF THEY PLAN TO PUT THEM WOULD BE LIMITED TO THE PORTION OF THE PROPERTY THAT WOULD ACTUALLY BE DEVELOPED FOR COMMERCIAL USES.

McCracken: SO ARE THINGS LIKE WHETHER TO USE BERM SIGNS, ARE THOSE THINGS THAT WOULD BE -- I THINK THAT'S GREAT, BY THE WAY. BUT JUST FROM A LOW JIS TA KEL STANDPOINT ARE THOSE TYPES OF THINGS THEN TYPICALLY RESOLVED IN THE P.U.D. ZONING?

THE THINGS THAT I MENTIONED ARE ACTUALLY BEING INCIDENT.....INTEGRATED INTO THIS P.U.D., EITHER THROUGH A COVENANT OR -- AND THAT'S ALREADY BEEN ACTUALLY SIGNED BY MR. WALTERS. OR THEY'RE INCORPORATED IN THE ZONING ORDINANCE WITH THE P.U.D. LAND PLAN EXHIBIT.

SO, FOR INSTANCE, LIKE THE ISSUE OF THE SIGNS, THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THEY HAVE AGREED TO DO AHEAD OF TIME, BUT IT'S NOT -- IT'S THE AGREEMENT -- IF THE AGREEMENT WERE SILENT, IT WOULD REVERT BACK TO CODE IN THE FUTURE?

THAT'S CORRECT.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER.

Slusher: I HAVE A QUESTION FOR I THINK MR. GUERNSEY. MR. GUERNSEY, THE ONE RIGHT -- LET'S SEE. THE DEERFIELD IS RIGHT TO THE NORTH OF HERE, RIGHT?

JUST NORTH OF THIS PROJECT IS AN APARTMENT COMPLEX. IT'S ITEM NUMBER 2. AND NUMBER 3 IS A CONVENIENCE STORE THAT'S NOT BUILT YET.

Slusher: THAT'S PART OF THE SAME PROJECT?

I THINK IT'S ACTUALLY OWNED BY MR. WALTERS. THE APARTMENTS ARE CONSTRUCTED. THE CONVENIENCE STORE, I DIDN'T SEE ANY SIGNS OF CONSTRUCTION, BUT IT IS APPROVED ON A SITE PLAN.

Slusher: WHAT'S THE IMPERVIOUS COVER ON THAT?

TO BE HONEST WITH YOU, I DON'T KNOW OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD. I DON'T HAVE A COPY OF THE SITE PLAN. THAT WAS PART OF THE SETTLEMENT, I BELIEVE, REGARDING THE --

RIGHT. I REMEMBER THAT IT WAS PART OF THE SETTLEMENT. WELL, IF HE KNOWS -- DO YOU KNOW, MR. WALTERS?

I DO KNOW. THE CONVENIENCE STORE SITE, WHICH WILL NOT BE A CONVENIENCE STORE, BY THE WAY. I'M WORKING WITH A DENTIST AT THE MOMENT. THERE ARE ALSO SOME INACCURACY OZ THAT HANDOUT. DON'S GRASS HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN. I SENT A TERMINATION LETTER. THEY WERE KICKED OFF THE LOWE'S SITE AFTER 21 YEARS DOWN THE STREET. THEY COULD NOT TOLERATE THE CITY PROCESS AND THEY SENT ME A LETTER WHICH I'M HAPPY TO COPY ME ON AND THEY'VE ELECTED TO GO TO BUDA. THAT IS INACCURATE ON THERE. THEY WILL NOT BE LOCATED THERE. THE IMPERVIOUS COVER THAT IS ALLOWED --

Slusher: WHICH ONE WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT THERE?

THE FOOTNOTE AT THE BOTTOM SAID SOMETHING ABOUT DON'S GRASS. THAT WILL NOT BE OCCURRED. TO SPECIFICALLY ANSWER YOUR QUESTION, THOUGH, THE SITE IS ALLOWED 60% IMPERVIOUS COVER, WITH S.O.S. WATER QUALITY STANDARDS ACROSS THE BOARD. IF YOU REMEMBER, THAT WAS THE CASE WHERE I WAS ALIGNED WITH THE CITY. S.O.S. SUED ME OVER A PROCEDURAL ISSUE TO 1704 TO NOTICE ACTUALLY IS WHAT HAPPENED, AND I ENDED UP BUYING AND GIVING APPROXIMATELY 100 ACRES AND A MILE OF FRONTAGE ON BEAR CREEK TO THE CITY. YES, SIR, WHEN I DID A MASSIVE MITIGATION THERE. YOU'RE

ALSO AWARE OF WHAT I'VE DONE ON THE CONTRACT WITH THE CITY AND -- I'VE BEEN RIGHT IN LINE WITH THE CITY IN EVERY PROJECT THAT I'VE DONE ON BRODIE LANE AND ELSEWHERE. BUT TO BE SPECIFIC, LEGALLY I CAN DO UP TO 60% IMPERVIOUS COVER. THE PROJECT I'M WORKING NOW IS WELL BELOW THAT. WITH THIS DENTIST. OKAY?

Slusher: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUENTS, QUESTIONS? -- COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, I'LL SPRIN A MOTION ON ITEM Z-5. ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM Z-A. Z-5. THIS IS WHY WE WANTED TO BE ON THE CITY COUNCIL. [LAUGHTER] COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ.

Alvarez: A QUESTION OF STAFF. WHAT WAS PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION OR -- IS IT ZONING AND PLATTING, I GUESS?

THE ZONING AND PLATTING RECOMMENDED STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION, INCLUDING THE CONDITIONS IN THE TIA. IF YOU RECALL THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD ACTUALLY FOLLOWED THE ZAP HEARING, AND IF COUNCIL SO DESIRED, YOU CAN INCLUDE THEIR RECOMMENDATION AS WELL AND THE APPLICANT DOESN'T HAVE AN OBJECTION TO THAT. THIS WOULD BE FOR P.U.D. ZONING.

IN THE USES I THINK SOMEONE EXPLAINED WAS ONE CS USE, THAT WOULD BE IN THE STORAGE?

RIGHT. THE ONLY CS USE THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED WOULD BE CONVENIENT STORE USE AND OTHER USES EXCLUDING THOSE THAT I THINK MR. LINEHAN ACTUALLY READ OUT, WHICH WOULD PROHIBIT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE AUTO REPAIR, AUTO SALES, AUTO RENTAL, PLANT NURSERY, DROPOFF RECYCLING, AGRICULTURAL SALES AND SERVICES, PAWN SHOP, BED AND BREAKFAST, CARRIAGE, STABLE, BAIL BOND SERVICES WOULD ALSO BE PROHIBITED FROM THE GR USES UNDER THIS P.U.D.

Alvarez: NOT AUTOMOTIVE?

THE AUTOMOTIVE USE WOULD BE A PERMITTED USE, BUT

ONLY WITH THOSE CONDITIONS THAT ARE SET FORTH.

Alvarez: OKAY. AND THEN SOMEONE FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE SPECIFIC USE IS YOU HAVE AN ISSUE WITH OR IF YOU'RE NOT SUPPORTING THE CASE, WHAT SPECIFIC ALTERNATIVE ARE YOU PUTTING ON THE TABLE?

I THINK THERE ARE THREE OF THE FIVE USES THAT WE KNOW OF THAT WE THINK WE'VE ALREADY GOT ENOUGH FAST FOOD IN THE AREA. IF YOU LOOK AT THE KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN, LONG JOHN SILVER'S, TACO BELL, WHATABURGER, JACK IN THE BOX, ALL THAT STUFF IS RIGHT DOWN THE STREET. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF THOSE PLACES, SO WE FIGURED WE'RE COVERED THERE. WHOA WOULDN'T MIND SEEING A NICE SIT-DOWN RESTAURANT. EVERYBODY WAS SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. THE 115,000 FEET OF COMMERCIAL STORAGE, WHICH IS A CS USE WHICH HE MAY OR MAY NOT PUT IN. HE JUST SAID HE HASN'T FINALIZED THAT. I KNOW HE'S BEEN TALKING WITH GROUPS IN HOUSTON FROM SOME OF THE CONVERSATIONS WE'VE HAD THROUGH OUR RELATIONSHIP TO DATE, SO THAT COULD BE A CS USE THAT'S USED FOR SOMETHING ELSE. SO ONCE YOU GIVE HIM THAT BIG FOUR AND A HALF ACRES BOX FOR CS, THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT GOES IN. IT'S THE BLACK MYSTERY BOX FOR US. AND THEN, OF COURSE, THE TRACT NUMBER ONE THAT HE WANTS TO COMBINE WHERE HE JUST SAID HE WAS GOING TO PUT A DENTIST OFFICE ON THAT 60% IMPERVIOUS COVER LOT THAT'S ABOUT EIGHT ACRES, THAT'S A BIG DENTIST OFFICE. BUT WHAT HE TOLD US PERSONALLY IN THE PAST WAS THAT HE WAS GOING TO PUT IN ABOUT 100,000 SQUARE FOOT DEVELOPMENT THAT WAS GOING TO BE ANCHORED BY A 50,000 SQUARE FOOT TENANT. NOW, WE'VE HEARD TONIGHT THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE LIMITED TO 40,000 SQUARE FEET, BUT HE ACTUALLY EXPLAINED TO US IN SOME DETAIL WHY HE WOULD WANT TO DO THAT. YOU SEE, A BIG RETAIL SHOP LIKE THAT NEEDS A SOLID ANCHOR TO SUSTAIN THE ANCILLARY TRAFFIC THAT SUPPORTS THE SMALLER SHOPS. SO IT WAS REALLY A GOOD EDUCATION FOR US TO SEE THAT, BUT THEN WHEN WE LOOKED RIGHT DOWN THE STREET AT WHAT WE'VE GOT AT RANDALL'S, WE'RE LIKE WE'VE GOT SOME REALLY NICE FACILITIES THERE, WE'VE GOT NICE FACILITIES COME IN ON

STRATUS 108, SO WE WANTED TO BE MORE JUDICIOUS ABOUT THE FINAL BUILDOUT ON THIS. COMBINED WITH THE THREE RESTAURANT AND THE BANK THAT MR. WYNAN WILL PROBABLY BE DEVELOPING ON THE GR-CO CONDITIONAL OVERLAY FOR THE EIGHT ACRES OF HARRIS RANCH, WE AS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, WE'VE GOT TO WEIGH ALL THAT STUFF AND OUR NEIGHBORS ARE PRETTY WELL INFORMED BECAUSE WE'RE PRETTY ACTIVE AND INVOLVED. BUT WHEN YOU TAKE ALL THOSE THINGS AND THEN JUST IF I CAN CLEAR THE RECORD, WE'VE NEVER MET THE FOLKS FROM CHRISTIAN BROTHERS. WE GOT THAT LETTER THAT THEY MENTIONED THAT WE THOUGHT PAUL SAID WE HAD AN AGREEMENT, AND HE HAD THIS LETTER BECAUSE OF THAT AGREEMENT. THEY HANDED ME THAT LETTER THE FIRST TIME IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR WHEN THEY WERE JUST REACHING OUT TO US. RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, WELL, OF COURSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO WRITE ANY RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS ON USES WE DON'T WANT. WE WANT TO GO THROUGH THE PLANNING EFFORT WITH THEM, FIND OUT WHAT ZONING CATEGORIES WERE APPROPRIATE FOR THIS AREA AND THEN WRITE RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. IT'S KIND OF PUTTING THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE. OFFICE.....OFFICE USES, IT'S JUST -- IT'S JUST SO FRUSTRATING BECAUSE EVERY TIME THEY GET A REBUTTAL AND THEY'RE MAKING SOME STATEMENTS THAT ARE QUITE MISLEADING TO YOU. AND SO THANK YOU.

Alvarez: SO I THINK THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER HERE BECAUSE IT'S A ZONING CASE AND WE'RE TRYING TO GET TO THE -- WHICH USES ARE PROHIBITED AND WHICH ONES ARE -- WHICH ONES ARE PERMITTED.

WITHOUT THE PLANNING, REALLY WE'RE SAYING THAT A LIGHT OFFICE FOR THE MIDDLE PART OF THE PROPERTY, LR UP AT THE INTERSECTION OF WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO VACATE DEER LANE AND PUSH IT UP TO DAVIS, THAT SEEMS LIKE THAT'S THE STANDARD YOU'VE APPLIED CONSISTENTLY THROUGHOUT THIS AREA. AND SO WE WOULDN'T WANT TO GO AGAINST THAT. CS AND AUTOMOTIVE, I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER HEARD OF A GARAGE GOING IN OVER THE BARTON SPRINGS ZONE. I KNOW IN STRATUS THEY ALLOWED ONE GAS STATION, BUT I DON'T THINK SINCE WE'VE BECOME

AWARE OF THE POTENTIAL I.. IMPACT TO RECHARGE AND
CARTS FUTURES THAT WE PERMITTED THAT SORT OF THING
OR AT LEAST ENCOURAGED IT. SO THAT'S -- I COULD BE
WRONG ON THAT. WE'LL LET THE COMMUNITY EXPERTS OR
THE ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTS MAKE THAT CALL FOR YOU,
BUT IT JUST SEEMS LIKE IT GOES AGAINST WHAT YOU'VE
TRADITIONALLY RULED ON. WILL.

Alvarez: SO REALLY THE ONES THAT YOU EXPRESSED
CONCERNS ABOUT WERE THE FAST FOOD, STORAGE AND
AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR.

COUNCILMEMBER, IF I MAY. THE WAY THE ORDINANCE IS
STRUCTURED, IT WOULD ONLY ALLOW THAT ONE TYPE OF
CS USE. SO IT WOULDN'T ALLOW WAREHOUSING OR LARGE
EQUIPMENT TRUCK SALES OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
CONVENIENT STORAGE WOULD BE THE ONLY CS TYPE USE
AND OTHER GR USES EXCEPT THOSE PROHIBITED.

Alvarez: OKAY. THOSE ARE ALL MY QUESTIONS.

Slusher: THAT DOES SEEM LIKE A BIG DENTIST OFFICE
THERE.

I DON'T THINK MR. LARKIN IS LISTENING, WHATSOEVER. I
EXPLAINED TO YOU THAT THE CONVENIENT STORAGE SITE
ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF DAVIS LANE IS A LITTLE
CONVENIENT STORAGE ON YOUR MAP. IT WAS TO BE A 52 OR
5400 SQUARE FOOT CONVENIENT STORAGE. WHAT WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT IS ROUGHLY A 5,000 SQUARE FOOT DENTIST
OFFICE AND MAYBE AN ANCILLARY INSURANCE OFFICE WITH
THAT. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHATEVER MR. LARKIN
IS REFERENCING TO.

Slusher: OKAY. AND YOU'RE ONE FOR TWO BECAUSE THERE'S
NO GAS STATIONS ON THE STRATUS.

THAT'S CORRECT.

COULD HE POINT THAT OUT WHERE IT IS ON THE MAP?
BECAUSE I'M REALLY CONFUSED WHERE THE DENTIST
OFFICE IS GOING IN? >>...

SLUSHER: COULD YOU DO THAT AND STRAIGHTEN IT OUT FOR HIM?

CERTAINLY.

HE DOESN'T MEAN STORAGE, HE MEANS CONVENIENCE STORE.

Slusher: THAT'S WHAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE FIRST TIME I THOUGHT.

THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT, TOO. SO HE CONFUSED ME WHEN HE STARTED GOING -- I WAS WONDERING, I COULD BARELY FIT MINE AND MY NEIGHBORS STUFF IN THERE.

MR. LARKIN NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED AGAIN. THIS CONVENIENCE STORAGE IS THE HARD CORNER OF DAVIS LANE RIGHT-OF-WAY WHICH I'VE DEAD RATED 90-FOOT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, THE WHOLE LENGTH. IT WAS ALSO NOT REFERENCED OR MENTIONED IN MR. ZAPALAC'S DISCUSSION, BUT WHEN DAVIS LANE IS CONNECTED TO MOPAC THERE WILL.....WILL THAT WILL BE A FURTHER RELIEVER OFF BRODIE LANE AND THEN USING THE FOUR-LETTER TOLL WORD, 45 SOUTHWEST WITH ULTIMATE HAYS COUNTY COMING IN ON BRADY LANE AND WILL GO TO SOUTH MOPAC. LET ME PLEASE SHOW YOU THE LR SITE.

Slusher: AND TO FURTHER CLARIFY, I THINK WHEN I ASKED YOU ABOUT THE OTHER TRACT THAT'S NOT ON THE TABLE TONIGHT.

THIS SITE THAT'S RIGHT HERE THAT IS SHOWN -- THE MAP IS INCORRECT. BUT THERE'S -- WHERE IT SAYS GR, OKAY, IT'S ACTUALLY THE -- WHEN DAVIS LANE COMES THROUGH AND CONNECTS TO MOPAC, THERE'S A DAVIS LANE EXIT AS YOU KNOW ON SOUTH MOPAC. WHEN IT COMES THROUGH FROM WEST TO EAST, THE CITY HAS PUT UP A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT DAVIS AND ALSO AT DEER. AND THE HARD CORNER OF DAVIS AND BRODIE LANE, THE NORTHWEST CORNER THERE IS A 1.92-ACRE SITE THAT I OWN THERE. AND IT HAS A SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT ON IT FOR A 55, 5600 SQUARE FEET CONVENIENT STORE WITH NO GASOLINE. AND IT LOOKS LIKE I'M GOING TO BE PUTTING IN A DENTIST OFFICE ALONG WITH

SOME ANCILLARY USE, AN ACCOUNTANT OR MAYBE A SMALL INSURANCE OFFICE.

Slusher: THAT MIGHT HAVE GAS THERE?

THEY WILL HAVE NO GAS.

Slusher: THE DENTIST OFFICE. [LAUGHTER]

YES.

Mayor Wynn: WE COULD USE SOME OF THAT GAS RIGHT NOW.
[LAUGHTER] COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: [INAUDIBLE - NO MIC].

Dunkerley: ON THE -- WHEN THIS ITEM WENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD, WERE THEY AWARE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE USE THERE?

YES, THEY WERE. AND AS PART OF THE CONDITIONS WHEN THEY SPOKE TO THEIR APPROVAL THAT THEY INCLUDED A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THAT ENSURES THAT ANY --

Dunkerley: THEY REALLY ARE AS FAR AS EXTERNALLY ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTS, AND THEY DID APPROVE THIS 7-0 AS WELL AS OUR OWN ENVIRONMENTAL FOLKS TOO. THERE SEEMS TO BE A LOT OF CONFUSION ON THE PART OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD TOO. SO I'M WONDERING WHEN THIS CHARRETTE OCCURS WHO IS GOING TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT THE CORRECT DATA IS PROVIDED TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD? ARE YOU GOING TO BE THERE, GREG, FOR THAT?

YES, I'VE VOLUNTEERED MY SERVICES AND I PLAN TO TAKE COPIES OF THE STAFF REPORT FOR BOTH THIS PROPERTY AND ANOTHER ONE ACROSS THE STREET.

Dunkerley: THERE SEEMS TO BE CONFUSION ON ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER. SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT, GREG, THAT YOU HAVE YOUR PICTURES AND THE DOCUMENTS.

I CAN ASK MR. WALTERS, MR. LINEHAN IF THEY HAVE ANY

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS. I CAN TAKE THOSE TO THE CHARRETTE WITH ME.

AND LET ME ASK ONE OTHER QUESTION. ON THE CS ZONING THEY ARE RESTRICTED TO THEIR CS AND ONLY ONE USE.

IT'S FOR A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING, WHICH WILL MAINLY BE TO ALLOW ALL GR USES, A SINGLE CS TYPE OF USE, WHICH WOULD BE THE CONVENIENT STORAGE, AND THEN ACTUALLY PROHIBIT SOME GR USES AS WELL.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL ON FIRST READING OF THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION OF -- FOR THIS PARTICULAR SITE. DOES THAT INCLUDE ALL OF THESE THINGS WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT, GREG?

I.. I THINK THE APPLICANT, AND HE CAN CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THEY'VE ALSO AGREED TO FOLLOW THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION.

OKAY. I THOUGHT YOURS -- OKAY, THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD.

SO IT WOULD BE STAFF, ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD AND ZAP.

Dunkerley: THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION.

McCracken: I'LL SECOND THAT.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN TO APPROVE ON FIRST READING ONLY, Z-5, THE COMBINED ZAP, STAFF AND ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS.

DOES THAT INCLUDE CLOSING THE PUBLIC HEARING AS WELL?

IT SURE DID. [LAUGHTER]

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?

COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: I'LL JUST SAY THAT I'M GLAD THAT WE HAVE GERARD KINNEY, ONE OF OUR DESIGN COMMISSIONERS, WHO WILL BE THERE THIS WEEKEND. I THINK HE'LL BE AN EXCELLENT ADDITION TO GET EVERYONE TOGETHER. I THINK THAT AS A FELLOW RESIDENT OF THE SUBURBS MYSELF, WHAT YOU RUN INTO A LOT IS THERE'S A MAXIM THAT PEOPLE AREN'T AGAINST DEVELOPMENT, BUT THE KINDS OF DEVELOPMENT THAT WE'VE BEEN GETTING SINCE WORLD WAR II, THE KIND OF SUBURBAN SPRAWL STUFF. ONE OF THE CHALLENGES WE'VE BEEN GETTING TO IS THE DESIGN CODE DOESN'T REALLY GET INTO WHAT FOLKS CARE ABOUT. THEY WANT THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS TO LOOK GREAT. I'M CONFIDENT WE'RE GOING TO GET THERE TOGETHER ON THIS. AND I REALLY APPLAUD THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THAT'S BEEN A CONCERN IN THE PAST IS Y'ALL WERE TALKING ABOUT DOING IT AND NOT DOING IT AND NOW YOU'RE DOING IT AND YOU'VE GOT SOME GREAT PEOPLE WITH YOU. WE'VE GOT AN EXCELLENT G.O.P.ER TOO. -- DEVELOPER TOO. I FEEL VERY GOOD ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT. I DIDN'T WANT TO FORECLOSE THAT OPTION TONIGHT TO GET THERE. AND SO I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING GOOD CONSENSUS AND EVERYBODY WORKING TOGETHER.

Dunkerley: MAYOR, IF I COULD ADD SOMETHING?

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER DUNKERLEY.

Dunkerley: I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO -- AND THE DEVELOPER TO TRY TO WORK TOGETHER ON GETTING SOMETHING DONE. AND KNOWING FULL WELL THAT YOU KNOW THAT MANY OF THESE THINGS COME AT THE SITE PLAN LEVEL. I KNOW HOW KNOWLEDGEABLE YOU ARE, SO I WOULD APPRECIATE YOU KEEPING THAT IN MIND ALONG WITH THE DESIGN STANDARDS, AND THEN AGAIN WHEN YOU HAVE A NEIGHBORHOOD AND A DEVELOPER OR OWNER, YOU'VE GOT TWO SETS OF ISSUES HERE. AND WE NEED TO TRY TO BE FAIR TO BOTH SIDES. SO THAT'S WHAT I'M ALWAYS LOOKING FOR IS THAT FAIRNESS. AND SO LET'S KEEP THE -- MAKE SURE THAT WE GET THE SITE DEVELOPMENT THINGS

DONE AT THE SITE DEVELOPMENT LEVEL. AND LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN GET DONE COMING BACK IN TWO WEEKS. SO I THINK THAT'S OUR NEXT MEETING. LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS THEN.

Mayor Wynn: JUST TO CLARIFY, SO STAFF WILL BE READY TO BRING THIS BACK. I GUESS IT WAS READY FOR THIRD READING TONIGHT, SO THEY SHOULD BE READY FOR TWO WEEKS AS WELL? THANK YOU.

THAT WAS MY QUESTION, MAYOR. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THERE'S NO MEETING NEXT WEEK. AND I HATE TO DO THIS AGAIN, BUT THE 27TH OF THIS MONTH IS MY WIFE'S 50TH BIRTHDAY, WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND LET HER KNOW. SHE MAY BE WATCHINGMENT.

Mayor Wynn: I'M SURE SHE APPRECIATES YOU GIVING THE NUMBER.

I'M SURE SHE APPRECIATES THAT NUMBER. YOU KNOW, I'VE GONE THROUGH THIS BEFORE. THIS IS UNFORTUNATE FOR ME THIS EVENING, WHAT YOU'VE DONE, BUT I'LL LIVE WITH IT. AND SO I WILL ANNOUNCE IN ADVANCE THAT I WILL NOT BE HERE ON THE 26TH. I PUT FULL FAITH AND CONFIDENCE IN MR. LINEHAN AND ASK THIS COUNCIL TO PLEASE WRAP THIS UP ON THE 26TH IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. I WILL MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE EVERYDAY 24 HOURS A DAY UNTIL THE 26TH TO ANSWER ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS. I'VE HEARD SOME THINGS THAT ARE INACCURATE THIS EVENING AND I WILL BE CERTAIN TO CORRECT IN WRITING. AND AGAIN, MR. LINEHAN WILL BE HERE ON THE 26TH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. WALTERS. FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS.

Thomas: WHEN WE COME BACK ON THE 26TH, IT WILL BE SECOND AND THIRD READING?

Mayor Wynn: IT IS READY CERTAINLY FOR SECOND AND THIRD READING.

Thomas: I HOPE THAT -- HE SAID 24/7. I HOPE YOU GET IT

TOGETHER BEFORE THEN BECAUSE -- I BEG YOUR PARDON?

MR. WALTERS STARTED OFF HIS PRESENTATION THIS EVENING BY SAYING HE WOULD NOT MEET WITH US, NONE OF HIS STAFF WOULD BE ALLOWED TO MEET WITH US, SO I APPRECIATE YOUR SPIRIT OF RECONCILIATION AND WORKING TOGETHER TO FIND CONSENSUS AND BUILD A LONG RANGE PLAN THAT WE CAN ALL SUPPORT, BUT UNLESS ONE OF YOU CAN HELP ENCOURAGE MR. WALTERS AND COMPANY TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR CHARRETTE TOMORROW -- SATURDAY, I'M SORRY. I FEEL LIKE IT'S ALREADY FRIDAY. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING THERE. SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN OFFER SOME ENCOURAGEMENT, BUT WE'D REALLY LOVE TO AT LEAST SEE PAUL. HE KNOWS THE CASE INSIDE AND OUT. I KNOW MR. WALTERS HAS A BUSY SCHEDULE OR AT LEAST ONE REPRESENTATIVE. WE'D LOVE TO HEAR SOMEONE FROM HIS CAMP SHARE WITH US AND HELP THE FOLKS THAT YOU KNOW ARE EXCELLENT AT WHAT THEY DO HELP US REACH A LAND USE PLAN THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD OF AND COME IN HERE FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT AND SAY THIS IS THE WAY WE WANT TO LOOK IN SUBURBAN TOMORROW IN AUSTIN.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. LARKIN. COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

Mayor Wynn: RECOGNIZING THAT NOT TO BE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, RECOGNIZING THIS IS FIRST READING ONLY. WELL, SO --

I GOT ONE MORE.

COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER.

Slusher: OKAY. WELL, I WANTED TO CONGRATULATE MR. LINEHAN ON HIS UNANIMOUS VOTE AT THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD. I KNOW THAT HE'S PROUD OF. I'M PROUD OF HIM FOR -- FOR TAKING SOMETHING IN THERE THAT THEY WOULD VOTE FOR UNANIMOUSLY. I DO WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO HAVE SOME DIALOGUE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY IT'S UP TO YOU

WHETHER YOU GO TO THEIR CHARETTE ON SATURDAY OR NOT. BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE A GOOD THING TO DO. AND -- AND I'M GLAD THAT WE ARE ONLY DOING FIRST READING, BECAUSE I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S -- THE NEIGHBORHOOD SAID THEY WANTED TO DO THIS. THE LAST TIME THEY HAD GONE OUT AND ORGANIZED IT. GOT IT TOGETHER, THEY WERE GOING TO HAVE IT ON SATURDAY, I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR US TO HAVE SOMETHING -- TO PASS SOMETHING IN THE FACE OF THAT. I HAVE SEEN THINGS WHERE FOLKS WAS TOTALLY LOOKED LIKE NOBODY COULD COME TO AN AGREEMENT EVER ON ANYTHING AND THEN SEEMED TO COME OUT REALLY PLEASED WITH EACH OTHER. THE TRIANGLE BEING ONE. THAT WAS ONE WHERE WE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE ANY AUTHORITY, THE STATE HAD ALL OF THE AUTHORITY. THE OTHER -- NOW WE HAVE GOT THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD THING GOING ON. THEY ARE ALL UNITED BEING MAD ABOUT US POSTPONING US UNTIL THE 16th [SIC], THAT'S A GOOD THING. I THINK. I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT, MAKE IT REAL SHORT. I THINK IT'S OUR LAST ITEM THAT ONE REASON WHY IT'S A TOUGH CASE IS THAT THERE'S TOO MUCH DENSITY IN THIS AREA ALREADY. CONTRARY TO THE AUSTIN TOMORROW PLAN BACK IN 1975. ON SO THAT WAS VIOLATED OVER AND OVER AGAIN. BUT WE ARE WHERE WE ARE, WE HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO SORT THAT OUT AND DO WHAT'S BEST FOR THE AREA. SO I'M GLAD THEY ARE DOING THE S.O.S. USE. I HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE AUTOMOTIVE. I THINK THE STORAGE SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY LOW TRAFFIC USE TO ME. IT MIGHT NOT BE THE MOST ATTRACTIVE USE. MAYBE THEY CAN DO SOMETHING TO -- WITH THAT BECAUSE SOME OF THEM ARE MORE ATTRACTIVE THAN OTHERS. SO I'M GOING TO SUPPORT IT ON FIRST READING. THE FAST FOOD. I DID -- SEEMED LIKE THERE WAS A COUPLE THAT YOU ALL DON'T HAVE -- [LAUGHTER] -- BUT -- I WOULD BE -- I'M OPEN TO TAKING THAT OUT OF THERE ON THE SECOND READING AND INSTEAD HAVING A SIT-DOWN RESTAURANT. THAT SEEMS MORE APPROPRIATE TO ME. SO ANYWAY WE CAN -- WE'LL HAVE MORE DISCUSSION BETWEEN NOW AND THEN. BUT I AM GLAD THAT WE HAVE AN S.O.S. CASE BEFORE US AND WE HAVE TO DO A LITTLE TWEAKING, HOPEFULLY THE NEIGHBORHOOD WILL HAVE SOME GOOD

SUGGESTIONS COMING OUT OF THEIR SURE..... CHARETTE ON SATURDAY.

McCracken: I WANTED TO -- TO ECHO COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER' COMMENTS. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO US THAT ALL OF -- EVERYONE WORK TOGETHER. I WOULD URGE EVERYBODY IF THEY CAN TO COME ON SATURDAY ON BOTH SIDE. I THINK THAT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL. ALSO ENCOURAGE EVERYBODY TO LOOK AT MAYOR PRO TEM GOODMAN HAD A -- LED AN EFFORT TO DO A STUDY CALLED 2222 PLAN, CAME OUT TWO YEARS. IT IS AN EXCELLENT RESOURCE ON -- ON -- BECAUSE IT INVOLVED EXTENSIVE POLLING OF FOLKS, ALONG 2222, ABOUT WHAT KIND OF -- WHAT KIND OF ENVIRONMENT DID THEY WANT TO LIVE IN. BECAUSE THEY HAD THE SAME ISSUE. THEY HAD ABOUT 20% IMPERVIOUS COVER I BELIEVE ALONG 2222, HORRIBLE TRAFFIC, VERY SIMILAR SITUATION, AND -- AND THAT'S A GOOD GUIDE POST FOR -- FOR, THANKS FOR MAYOR PRO TEM'S LEADERSHIP AND OUR EXCELLENT PLANNING DEPARTMENT OF SHOWING THAT THERE IS A TEMPLATE OUT THERE, THAT WE KNOW WHAT PEOPLE LIKE AND THAT IT FITS THE TRAFFIC AND PATTERNS AND GETS YOUR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT. I REALLY DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT EVERYBODY WORK TOGETHER, KIND OF MEASURE THAT WHEN WE ARE MAKING OUR DECISIONS ON SECOND AND THIRD READING ABOUT WHO IS PARTICIPATING. I DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO BE A PROBLEM BECAUSE -- I WILL JUST PASS THAT ALONG.

Slusher: MAYOR, ONE MORE THING?

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER?

Slusher: I JUST FORGOT SEVEN OR EIGHT POINTS. NO. DO WE HAVE -- MS. GLASGO, IS THE GROW GREEN ON HERE, THE NATIVE PLANTS PROGRAM?

COUNCILMEMBER -- THEY HAVE AGREED TO NATIVE PLANTS, GROW GREEN, NO COAL BASED TAR SEALANT USE, IT'S ALL PART OF THIS --

Mayor Wynn: THAT WAS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL

BOARD APPROVAL.

Slusher: WANTED TO MAKE SURE, THANK YOU. I FIGURED IT DID, BUT IT HADN'T COME UP TONIGHT.

Slusher: WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE TO APPROVE Z-5 STAFF Z.A.P. ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD COMBINED RECOMMENDATION ON FIRST READING ONLY. FURTHER COMMENTS?

Thomas: ONE MORE COMMENT, MAYOR. THEN WE ARE READY TO VOTE BECAUSE I -- THE REASON I ASKED THAT, WHAT I SAID ABOUT -- YOU SAID -- HE SAID HE WAS AVAILABLE. THIS IS FOR BOTH SIDES TO BE REASONABLE. I REALLY RESPECT THE NEIGHBORHOOD, HOW YOU REALLY WANT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD TO LOOK. BUT -- BUT I WILL BE A LITTLE DISTURBED IF YOU WANT TO PUT THE PRESSURE ON A PARTICULAR DEVELOPER THAT HE CAN'T DO WHAT HE REALLY WANT TO DO AS FAR AS DOING SOMETHING THAT WOULD PUT HIM OUT OF THE MARKET OF TRYING TO DO IT AS FAR AS TOO EXPENSIVE, CAN'T DO IT. SO I BELIEVE IN THE TIME IN THESE TWO WEEKS YOU ALL ARE GOING TO SIT DOWN, SIT DOWN. I'M SURE THAT HE'S GOING TO COMMIT HIMSELF TO SITTING DOWN WITH YOU, HOPEFULLY SATURDAY, TO DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER.
COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ?

Alvarez: MAYOR, SINCE WE ARE DOING FIRST READING I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND SUPPORT THE MOTION, BUT LIKE I SAID IT'S GOING TO BE REAL DIFFICULT FOR ME TO SUPPORT IT WITH THAT AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR USE IN THERE BEYOND FIRST READING.

Mayor Wynn: UNDERSTOOD. MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE. FURTHER DISCUSSION? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE. >>

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH THE MAYOR PRO TEM OFF THE DAIS. MS. BROWN, DID THAT

CONCLUDE OUR MEETING? COUNCILMEMBER SLUSHER
MOVES THAT WE ADJOURN, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER
THOMAS. ALL IN FAVOR?

AYE.

Wynn: OPPOSED? WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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