

Closed Caption Log, Council Worksession, 5/15/08

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MAYOR WYNN: GOOD MORNING, I'M AUSTIN MAYOR WILL WYNN, AS PARTS OF NATIONAL SALVATION ARMY WEEK, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME MAJOR STEVEN ELLIS, WHO'S THE AUSTIN AREA COMMANDER OF THE SALVATION ARMY TO LEAD US IN OUR INVOCATION, PLEASE RISE.

I INVITE YOU TO JOIN IN PRAYER. CREATOR OF US ALL. YOU SEND YOUR WORD TO BRING US TRUTH AND YOUR SPIRIT TO BRING US LIFE. YOU ARE A FATHER TO ORPHANS, AN ADVOCATE FOR THE DISPOSSESSED AND A FRIEND OF THE FORGOTTEN. YOU LONG FOR JUSTICE TO ROLL DOWN LIKE WATERS AND RIGHTEOUSNESS LIKE AN EVER-FLOWING STREAM, THOUGH PERHAPS MORE GENTLY THAN WE SAW LAST NIGHT. WE THANK YOU FOR ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVING ON THE STREETS IN THE OFFICES AND THROUGHOUT THIS CITY RIGHT NOW. WE SEEK A BLESSING FROM THIS COUNCIL MEETING, FROM EACH OF THE MEMBERS, AND EACH OF THE SPEAKERS AND ALL OF THOSE IN THIS AUDIENCE. WE SEEK YOUR WISDOM WITH THE REALIZATION THAT WE ARE EQUAL BEFORE YOU. EACH WITH A SACRED ROLE TO PLAY AND EACH ONE A PART OF A COMMUNITY THAT REJOICES WITH EACH OTHER'S VICTORIES AND MOURNS EACH OTHER'S PAINS. HERE IN YOUR PRESENCE, MAY THE THOUGHTS OF OUR MINDS AND THE WORDS OF OUR MOUTHS BE HONORABLE AND HELPFUL AND KIND. AMEN.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MAJOR ELLIS, COUNCILMEMBER KIM?

KIM: FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY TO THE PEOPLE OF AUSTIN THAT IT'S BEEN THE GREATEST EXPERIENCE OF MY LIFE TO SERVE YOU ON THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK THE CITY STAFF AND MY STAFF AND ALL OF THE WONDERFUL PEOPLE, MY COLLEAGUES, FOR MAKING THIS A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON SUCH GREAT A MISSION AS FAR AS THE CITY. I ALSO WANT TO WISH RANDI SHADE MUCH SUCCESS IN HER TERM AS COUNCILMEMBER AND I HOPE THAT OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY WILL REACH OUT TO HER AND EMBRACE HER AS SHE'S TAKING ON THE HELM OF PLACE 3. IT'S A CHALLENGING JOB, BUT I'M SURE THAT SHE'LL HAVE A GOOD TIME SERVING THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WE ARE TRULY BLESSED TO BE IN AUSTIN AND I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR YOUR KIND WISHES AND YOUR WONDERFUL NOTES OF

ENCOURAGEMENT AND I JUST WANT TO SAY IT'S BEEN AN HONOR AND YOU HELPED TO MAKE IT VERY REWARDING AND FUN. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. I WILL REMIND YOU, YOU STILL HAVE THREE MORE MEETINGS TO WORK [LAUGHTER]

KIM: YEAH, THAT, TOO.

MAYOR WYNN: THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT, AT THIS TIME I WILL CALL TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, IT IS THURSDAY, MAY 15TH, 2008. APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES AFTER 10:00 IN THE MORNING. WE ARE HERE IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE CITY HALL, 301 WEST SECOND STREET. COUNCIL, IF YOU REMEMBER, OUR PRACTICE OF ASKING FOR POTENTIAL ITEMS THAT -- THAT MAY BE COMING BEFORE US IN THE FUTURE, IN PART BASED ON SOME BUDGETARY ISSUES WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT AND AUSTIN ENERGY, I HAVE BEEN CONTEMPLATING ABOUT POTENTIAL ITEMS RELATED TO OUR UTILITY. BUT, OF COURSE, WITH THE STORM LAST NIGHT, I THOUGHT THIS MIGHT BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US -- IF THE CITY MANAGER COULD PERHAPS CALL ON SOME OF HIS FOLKS TO GIVE US A LITTLE BIT OF AN UPDATE AS TO THE RESULTS OF THE -- OF A PRETTY MAJOR STORM LAST NIGHT.

WELL, THANK YOU, MAYOR, I APPRECIATE HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT. OBVIOUSLY EVERYONE KNOWS THAT THE STORM WAS PRETTY SEVERE AND -- AND I'VE BEEN BRIEFED AS TO DAMAGE THAT HAS OCCURRED THROUGHOUT OUR CITY. I -- I WOULD LIKE TO CALL, I SEE MR. LADDEN HERE WITH OUR DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS. PERHAPS THEY CAN GIVE US A BRIEF AND SUCCINCT STATUS REPORT ON DAMAGE ACROSS THE CITY.

THANK YOU MR. MANAGER, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE OF -- OF WHAT TOOK PLACE LAST NIGHT. LAST NIGHT WE HAD OUR DUTY OFFICER MONITORING THE STORM AND BASICALLY THROUGH OUR INTELLIGENCE GATHERING, THROUGH THE WEATHER SERVICE AND EVERYTHING, WE DECIDED THAT WE NEEDED TO GET SOME -- SOME FOLKS INTO THE EOC TO MONITOR IT. SO WE CALLED IN SOME OF OUR AGENCIES IN ADDITION TO MY STAFF AND THEY MONITORED. THE FIRST WAVE OF STORMS WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY -- ANY PARTICULAR IMPACT. THE SECOND WAVE NONE, BUT THEN THE THIRD WAVE JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT THIS -- THAT WAS SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS THAT MOVED THROUGH THE CENTRAL AUSTIN AREA. IT DROPPED A LOT OF HAIL AND -- AND WIND GUSTS UP TO 60 MILES AN HOUR ON THE CITY IN A CONCENTRATED AREA. SOME OF THESE IMPACT OF THIS WAS BASICALLY THREE THINGS AND THAT WAS SOME POWER OUTAGES, DEBRIS, IN THE ROADWAYS, DAMAGE TO SOME PRIVATE PROPERTIES AND ALSO TO SOME HOMES AND VEHICLES. THERE WERE NO REPORT OF ANY CASUALTIES AS A RESULT OF THIS STORM AND THE AREA THAT WAS AFFECTED THAT WE IDENTIFIED TO THIS POINT WAS SOUTH OLTORF, WEST, TOWN LAKE, EXPOSITION BOULEVARD, NORTH 290 AND EAST TO ED BLUESTEIN. THE IMPACT ON CITY OPERATIONS, BASICALLY, PUBLIC -- THE PUBLIC SAFETY

AGENCIES REPORTED NO MAJOR IMPACT, BUT THERE IS ALWAYS -- ALWAYS MORE CALLS THAT COME AS A RESULT OF THESE TYPE INCIDENTS AND THAT DID TAKE PLACE. ONE THING THAT TOOK PLACE AT C TECH, THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER, WAS APPROXIMATELY 20 TO 30 CARS HAD WINDOWS BROKEN OUT BY THE HAIL. AND OVER 90% OF THE EMPLOYEES THAT HAD THEIR CARS PARKED THERE HAD SOME SORT OF DAMAGE AS A RESULT OF THE HAIL. OUR UTILITY, AUSTIN ENERGY, THEY HAD -- THEY HAVE CREWS OUT WORKING TO RESTORE ALL OF THE POWER. THEY -- THEY ACTIVATED THE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER. ALL CREWS WERE BROUGHT IN AND THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING TO RESTORE POWER AND REMOVE TREES. ALL OF THE CIRCUIT LOCKOUTS HAVE BEEN RESTORED, BUT THERE'S STILL APPROXIMATELY 19,000 STILL WITHOUT POWER. THAT WAS AT OUR EARLY MORNING BRIEFING. SO I DON'T KNOW WHETHER ANY HAVE GONE IN SINCE THAT PERIOD OF TIME. THEY -- AUSTIN ENERGY HAS NOT REQUESTED ANY OUTSIDE CREWS TO COME IN AT THIS TIME. THEY HAVE CREWS OUT NOW DOING AN ASSESSMENT TO GET MORE INFORMATION. WE HAVE BEEN COORDINATING THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAD BEEN COORDINATING WITH AUSTIN ENERGY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE KEEP AN UPDATE ON ALL OF THE THINGS THAT'S GOING ON. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE ROADWAYS, A.P.D. THEY RECEIVED NUMEROUS REPORTS OF TREES BLOCKING THE ROADWAYS AND THE OUTAGE FOLLOWING THAT THIRD WAVE OF STORMS. THOSE CALLS WERE FORWARDED TO OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT BROUGHT IN FULL CREWS TO TRIM TREES AT ABOUT 1:00 THIS MORNING. STREET AND BRIDGE ALSO BROUGHT IN A CREW TO ASSIST THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND THIS IS PART OF OUR DEBRIS REMOVAL TEAM THAT WE HAVE AND POLICY THAT WE HAVE. AT THE AIRPORT THERE WAS NO REPORT OF ANY MAJOR DAMAGE OR ANY ISSUES WITH OUR AIRPORT OPERATIONS. MASS TRANSIT, THERE WAS NO REPORTS OF ANY MAJOR INCIDENTS IN REGARDS TO THAT ALSO. SOLID WASTE SERVICES IS CONDUCTING THEIR PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT THIS MORNING. AND THEY WILL -- ALL OF US WILL BE GETTING TOGETHER AT 11:00 TO HAVE ANOTHER MEETING WITH THESE AGENCIES TO GET AN UPDATE ON THIS REPORT AND ALSO DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO GO FORWARD. THERE WAS NO FACILITIES OR HOSPITALS THAT REPORTED ANY INCIDENTS, THERE WERE NINE SCHOOLS LOCATED IN CENTRAL AUSTIN THAT WERE CLOSED DUE TO POWER OUTAGES, AND ONE SCHOOL IS GOING TO OPEN LATE. WHAT WE PLAN TO DO, AS I STATED A FEW MINUTES AGO, IS AT 11:00 PULL TOGETHER OUR CORE DEPARTMENTS, SOLID WASTE, PARKS AND REC, AUSTIN ENERGY, STREET AND BRIDGE, AUSTIN WATER UTILITIES, WATERSHED PROTECTION, CORPORATE PIO, CITY SIGNALS, BILLING SERVICES, A.P.D., FIRE, E.M.S., AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CMO'S OFFICE TO GET AN UPDATE ON WHERE WE ARE AND DEVELOP SOME ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES TO BE ABLE TO REPORT TO THE CITY MANAGER.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS FOR MR. LATIN, COUNCIL? COUNCILMEMBER COLE.

Cole: THANK YOU FOR THIS EXCELLENT WORK. PART OF THE PROBLEM, THOUGH, IS THAT PEOPLE THAT DON'T HAVE POWER CAN'T HEAR OUR REPORT. [LAUGHTER] SO I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE UPDATE THE WEBSITE BECAUSE PEOPLE THAT DO HAVE CELL

PHONES CAN ACCESS THAT. AND I LIVE IN ONE OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WAS SEVERELY AFFECTED, AND ALSO THE SCHOOLS AND ALSO CLOSE TO MUELLER. YOU ALSO THAT THE HOSPITALS WERE OKAY. I HAPPEN TO KNOW THAT THE AUSTIN CHILDREN'S SHELTER NEEDS ATTENTION, AND THEY HAVE CHILDREN THERE AND MOTHERS AS WELL, SO I THINK WE NEED TO MAKE THAT A HIGH PRIORITY. AND ALSO THE INFORMATION THAT I THINK A LOT OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS NEED TO KNOW IS HOW THE DEBRIS WILL BE PICKED UP BY SOLID WASTE. WHETHER THE TREE LIMBS ACTUALLY CAN JUST BE SET ON THE CURB AND WHETHER THE THREEFS HAVE FALLEN NEED TO BE GATHERED UP AND ACTUALLY SACKED OR WILL SOLID WASTE PICK THEM UP IF THEY WERE JUST IN BUNDLES BECAUSE THERE'S A MASS AMOUNT OF LEAVES IN SEVERAL NEIGHBORHOODS. AND I UNDERSTAND AT TIMES IN THE PAST WE HAVE JUST PICKED UP THE LEAVES. AND I THINK THAT THAT SHOULD BE A PRIORITY ALSO. AND THERE ARE ALSO LEAVES IN SEVERAL STREETS THAT ARE BLOCKING ACCESS IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WERE HARD HIT.

AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE WANT TO DO TODAY AT 11 IS MAKE SURE THAT WE FORM THOSE STRATEGIES, MAKE SURE WE FORM AND GET THE APPROPRIATE INFORMATION THAT WE NEED TO GET OUT TO THE MEDIA, TO THE NEIGHBORHOODS. THAT WILL BE DERNLD AT OUR 11:00 MEETING, SHARED WITH THE CITY MANAGER, AND THEN THE PIO WOULD START COMMUNICATING SOME OF THAT INCLUDE THE MEDIA. THEN WE WILL UTILIZE -- IF WE HAVE TO UTILIZE SOME OF OUR VOLUNTEERS TO GO TO THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT DOESN'T HAVE POWER, WE CAN DO THAT ALSO TO SHARE INFORMATION.

THOSE DISCUSSIONS THIS MORNING PARTICULARLY ON THE SOLID WASTE SIDE, RECOGNIZING ON HOW LONG THE POWER IS OUT, IN ADDITION TO WHAT MAY BE ON THE GROUND, PEOPLE MAY SIMPLY NEED TO DISPOSE OF THINGS. SO WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN TALKING ABOUT STRATEGIES FOR DEPLOYING SOLID WASTE VEHICLES TO ASSIST IN THE SELECTION OF THOSE KINDS OF THINGS AS WELL AS THE DEBRIS RESULTING FROM THE STORM. FOR THOSE FOLKS WITHOUT POWER, THEY'RE PROBABLY NOT HEARING WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THIS MORNING. SO WE ALSO HAVE BEGUN TO PUT PLANS TOGETHER TO PUT PEOPLE OUT IN THE FIELD IN THOSE AREAS WHERE THERE ARE THOSE POWER OUTAGES SO THEY CAN GO DOOR TO DOOR AND GIVE PEOPLE UPDATES AS TO WHEN THE POWER MIGHT BE ON AND ANSWER ANY OTHER QUESTIONS THEY MIGHT HAVE AS A RESULT OF THE STORM.

Cole: I THINK A HIGH PRIORITY ALSO NEEDS TO BE WHAT WE DECIDE -- HOW WE DECIDE TO HANDLE THE DEBRIS FROM THE TREE LIMBS VERSUS THE LEAVES AND TO GET THAT OUT TO NEIGHBORS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT THEY CAN PLAN BECAUSE A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE PICKUP PLANS FOR TOMORROW.

THAT'S RIGHT.

Martinez: ONCE WE RECOVER FROM ALL THIS, IF WE COULD HAVE THE FISCAL IMPACT ON

WHAT IT IT WILL HAVE ON THE CURRENT BUDGET CYCLE WE'RE IN, I THINK THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

ABSOLUTELY.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS? THANK YOU, OTIS. SO FOLKS DO STAY TUNED AS THE CITY WILL CONTINUE TO GET INFORMATION OUT REGARDING BOTH THE IMPACT OF THE STORM AND MORE IMPORTANTLY HOW WE RECOVER. IF YOU LOOK OUTSIDE, WE LOST OUR SIGNIFICANT CYPRESS TREE OUTSIDE. IT SNAPPED THE TRUNK IN TWO. A SAD LOSS, BUT THERE'S LOTS OF DAMAGE ALL OVER THE COMMUNITY. WE WANT TO HELP AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN. COUNCIL, ANY OTHER POTENTIAL ITEMS FROM COUNCIL UPCOMING? IF NOT, THEN I'LL READ OUR CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS. WE HAVE A VERY LIGHT AGENDA TODAY. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] OUR MUSICIAN TODAY IS RAVNER SALINAS, STAY TUNED FOR THAT. THEN AT 6:00 WE CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS AS NEEDED. COUNCIL, AT THIS TIME, NO ITEMS PULLED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA. ANY ITEMS TO BE PULLED? BEFORE I PROPOSE THE CONSENT AGENDA? HEARING NONE, THEN OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA THIS MORNING WILL BE TO APPROVE ITEM 1, OUR MINUTES FROM OUR PREVIOUS MEETING; FROM OUR WATER UTILITY WE ARE NOTING THAT ITEM NO. 2 HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN. FROM OUR CONTRACTED LAND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT, WE WILL BE APPROVING ITEMS 3, 4, 5, AND 6. AND FROM OUR MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WE WILL BE APPROVING ITEM NO. 7. FROM OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROVING ITEMS 8 AND 9. FROM OUR PURCHASING OFFICE, WE WILL BE APPROVING ITEMS 10, 11, 12, AND 13. FROM OUR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT WE WILL BE APPROVING ITEM 14. ITEM NO. 15 OUR APPOINTMENTS TO OUR 20. THAT'S OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION. MOTION MADE BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS? WE'LL NOTE THAT ITEM NUMBER 7 IS OUR CONFIRMATION OF THE CITY MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT OF JIM EVANS AS OUR ACTING FIRE CHIEF, AND WE CONGRATULATE AND APPRECIATE THE WORK OF CHIEF EVANS. IT LOOKS LIKE WE HAD A COUPLE OF CITIZENS WHO WANTED TO GIVE US SOME TESTIMONY ON ITEM ITEM 16, WHICH IS POISED TO BE APPROVED. IS JOHN WILLIAMS HERE? MR. WILLIAMS, WELCOME. COME FORWARD. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY -- I THINK THAT'S OUR ONLY SPEAKER. WELCOME.

GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOHN WILLIAMS. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE PARK SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. I SENT ALL OF YOU AN E-MAIL SO I WON'T WASTE YOUR TIME NOW BY REPEATING THAT INFORMATION. MY ASSOCIATION COVERS THE TERRITORY FROM U.S. 290 ON THE NORTH, SOUTH TO 969, AND FROM FM 973 ON THE WEST TO THE TRAVIS-BASTROP COUNTY LINE ON THE EAST. SO THIS WHISPER VALLEY PART OF THE P.U.D. WHICH YOU'RE PROPOSING LIES ALMOST ENTIRELY WITHIN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, WHICH HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR 10 YEARS BY THE AUSTIN CITY. OUR ASSOCIATION WANTS TO SUPPORT SMART, RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT WITHIN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, JUST AS WE WILL OPPOSE NOXIOUS,

IRRELEVANT IRRESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT. I'M HERE TO MAKE SURE YOU KNOW ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF OUR ORGANIZATION AND REQUEST THAT WHEN YOU HAVE ISSUES LIKE THIS THAT LIE PRIMARILY IN YOUR E.T.J. RATHER THAN WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS, YOU FOLLOW THE SAME PRINCIPLES THAT YOU DO WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF INVOLVING ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS AND ASK THAT YOU AND CITY STAFF KEEP NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS LIKE MINE INVOLVED AND INFORMED AS THE NEGOTIATIONS GO FORWARD FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT. THERE ARE LOTS OF ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE DEVELOPED -- THAT NEED TO BE DISCUSSED ABOUT THIS. NOW IS NOT THE TIME FOR THAT OBVIOUSLY. BUT REPRESENTATIVES OF MY ASSOCIATION WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO BE INVOLVED WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY STAFF AS YOU GO FORWARD WITH THIS P.U.D. AND POTENTIAL ANNEXATION. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. WILLIAMS. AND WE WILL ASK THAT THE STAFF DO IN FACT INVOLVE OF AND MAKE SURE YOU'RE ALL IN GOOD COMMUNICATION. THANK YOU, MR. WILLIAMS. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM NUMBER 16 ON OUR CONSENT AGENDA, KNOWN AS THE WHISPER VALLEY P.U.D.? OKAY. AND I DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS ON ANY OF THE OTHER ITEMS. I'LL CHECK THAT REAL QUICKLY. NO. SO FURTHER COUNCIL COMMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA? WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE. HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE? OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. SO COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US RIGHT ON TIME TO OUR MORNING BRIEFING. AND THIS MORNING'S BRIEFING WILL BE A STAFF BRIEFING OR PRESENTATION REGARDING WHAT'S GENERALLY KNOWN AS OUR McMANSION ORDINANCE. WELCOME.

GOOD MORNING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. JESSICA KING WITH WATERSHED PROTECTION RESIDENTIAL REVIEW. AND WE ARE HERE TODAY BECAUSE LAST WEEK THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECTED STAFF TO RETURN WITH A BRIEFING EXPLAINING THE ITEMS THAT BASICALLY HAVE NOT RECEIVED WIDESPREAD SUPPORT.

Mayor Wynn: EXCUSE ME. FOLKS, IF YOU COULD PLEASE TAKE YOUR CONVERSATIONS OUT INTO THE FOYER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT. PLEASE TAKE YOUR CONVERSATIONS OUT INTO THE FOYER. THANK YOU. SORRY, MS. KING.

LAST WEEK CITY COUNCIL DIRECTED STAFF TO RETURN WITH A BRIEFING TO BASICALLY EXPLAIN THE ITEMS THAT HAVE NOT RECEIVED GENERAL WIDESPREAD SUPPORT FROM BOTH THE TASKFORCE, THE PLANNING COMMISSION, EITHER OR OR BOTH. SO WE ARE HERE TODAY. AND I'M NEVER GOOD AT THIS THING. LEER WE GO. WE WILL GO OVER CURRENT STATUS. BASICALLY WHERE ARE WE NOW, WHAT THE RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS ARE, THE TASKFORCE RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL AS THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS, THEIR BACKGROUND ADD THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO THOSE. I'LL ALSO TOUCH ON THE AFFORDABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT BECAUSE WE HAD A PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING ON THE NINTH AND THEY -- ON THE 13 TZ AND THEY MADE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THAT AS WELL. THE

CURRENT STATUS IS THAT ON APRIL 22nd, 2008, THE PLANNING COMMISSION CONSIDERED ALL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS, THE TASKFORCE'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL AS THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS. THEY CONDUCTED A PUBLIC HEARING AND RECOMMENDED ABOUT 90% OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS. ON MAY 13TH, THEY POSTPONED ACTION ON SEVERAL ITEMS AND CAME BACK ON MAY 13TH TO CONSIDER THEM. PUBLIC HEARING WAS CONDUCTED AGAIN AND THEY REFERRED CERTAIN PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, INCLUDING THE AIS RECOMMENDATIONS, BACK TO THE TASKFORCE. THEY ALSO RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL THAT ONE OF TWO THINGS OCCUR, EITHER DELAY ALL ACTIONS ON ALL PROPOSED AMENDMENT FZ AT ALL POSSIBLE, AND IF NOT, AT LEAST DELAY ACTION ON THE ITEMS BEING REFERRED BACK TO THE TASKFORCE FOR CONSIDERATION. THERE ARE SOME ITEMS THAT WILL HELP CREATE CONSISTENCY IN OUR REVIEW PROCESS AND PROVIDE SOME RELIEF TO THE APPLICANTS. RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS ARE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ITEMS THAT ARE RECEIVED WIDESPREAD SUPPORT FROM THE TASKFORCE AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AND DELAY ACTION ON ITEMS THAT ARE BEING EVALUATED BY THE TASKFORCE. THAT SAID, ALL DO MY BEST TO PROVIDE YOU WITH AN UNDERSTANDING AS BEST AS I CAN ON THE TECHNICALITIES OF THE ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN REFERRED SPECIFICALLY BACK TO THE TASKFORCE. QUICK BACKGROUND ON TASKFORCE RECOMMENDATIONS, BETWEEN APRIL 2007 AND DECEMBER 2007, THE TASKFORCE RECONVENED TO DISCUSS HOW THE McMANSION ORDINANCE WAS WORKING. THEY HELD 17 TASKFORCE MEETINGS, WHICH INCLUDED PUBLIC MEANT. 28 RECOMMENDATIONS WERE VOTE ODD BY THE MEMBERS AND FORWARDED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION. THE PLANNING COMMISSION CONSIDERATION INCLUDED ALL OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL AS THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS. OF THE TASKFORCE RECOMMENDATIONS, 25 RECOMMENDATIONS WERE SUPPORTED. THERE'S A SHORT BREAK DOWN THERE WHERE 21 WERE SUPPORTED WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMMENT, THREE SUPPORTED STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND THEN TWO OF THOSE WERE ACTUALLY ALSO SUPPORTED BY THE TASKFORCE AT A LATER TIME AND THEN ONE DIDN'T REQUIRE ANY ACTION THAT HAD TO DO WITH REMODEL DEFINITION BECAUSE A SEPARATE STAKE HOLDER GROUP IS WORKING ON THAT DEFINITION. THREE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ACTUALLY REFERRED BANK TO THE TASKFORCE OUT OF ALL OF THE 28 RECOMMENDATIONS SENT FORWARD BY THE FULL TASKFORCE. OF THE ITEM REFERRED BACK, I'LL BRIEFLY GO THROUGH AS BEST I CAN ON EACH ONE. AGAIN, THEY ARE TECHNICAL, SO BEAR WITH ME. THERE IS A SPREADSHEET THAT EACH OF THE PLANNING COMMISSIONERS RECEIVED AND THEY'RE VERY LONG AND SO EACH NUMBER REFERS TO -- IDENTIFIES IT ON THE PACKETS. SO THE FIRST ONE, ITEM NUMBER 13 IN THE PACKET, PARKING AREA SAR EXEDGESES. CURRENTLY THERE IS NO LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF F.A.R. EXEMPTIONS GRANTD FOR AN ATTACHED OR DETACHED CARPORT OR GARAGE PARKING SITE. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT LIMITS PER SITE THE NUMBER OF EXEMPTIONS FOR AN ATTACHED GARAGE OR CARPORT OR DETACHED GARAGE OR CARPORT. AND ESSENTIALLY SOME PEOPLE SEE THIS AS A BROAD APPROACH TO UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE'S A MAXIMUM OF UP TO 650 SQUARE FEET EXEMPTED PER SITE. THAT'S THE GENERAL UNDERSTANDING. SOMETIMES SOME OF THE SITES, SOME OF

THE PARKING AREAS ARE SMALLER THAN THAT, SO THEY RECEIVE UP TO THAT AMOUNT, WHICH IS WHY THE UP TO IS CRITICAL. ITEM NUMBER 21 IS THE GROSS FLOOR AREA DEFINITION AND REFINE DEFINING THAT. THE CURRENT REGULATION SAYS THAT SPACE UNDER SIX FEET IN HEIGHT IS EXEMPT FROM F.A.R. THE ISSUE HERE IS FALSE CEILINGS OR WHAT THEY CALL FUR DOWNS IN THE SECRETARY ACTUAL -- THE ARCHITECT ACTUAL WORLD. YOU WOULD REMOVE THE HEIGHT PROVISION, IN OTHER WORDS, ANY SPACE THAT IS INCLUDED WITHIN THE HOUSE OR WITHIN THE STRUCTURE WOULD BE INCLUDED TOWARD F.A.R. CALCULATIONS. THIS WOULD BE ANY INTERIOR SPACE REGARDLESS OF HEIGHT WOULD BE ADDED TOWARDS THE F.A.R. CALCULATION. THE CONCERN IS THAT THERE IS SPACE THAT ISN'T LIVEABLE AND SO EVEN THOUGH IT CONTRIBUTES TO MASS, THE ISSUE IS DO YOU ADD IT BECAUSE IT'S MASS OR DO YOU ADD IT BECAUSE IT'S FLOOR TO AREA LIVING SPACE? AND AGAIN THE TASKFORCE WILL BE LOOKING BACK AT THAT. ITEM NUMBER 27 IS DUPLEX REGULATIONS. THE CURRENT REGULATION REQUIRES A COMMON WALL THAT IS 50% THE DEPTH OF THE STRUCTURE, MEASURED FROM THE FRONT OF THE LOT TO THE REAR OF THE LOT. THE PROPOSED TASKFORCE AMENDMENT STATES THAT A COMMON WALL MUST BE PERPENDICULAR TO THE FRONT LOT LINE. THE COMMON WALL MUST BE ONE CONTINUOUS PLANE. IF YOU RECALL A COUPLE OF MONTHS BACK WE DISCUSSED THE ZIPPER WALL. THE ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION THAT STAFF CAME UP WITH WAS A COMMON WALL HAS TO BE 50% THE DEPOSITTH OF THE STRUCTURE. YOU WOULD MAINTAIN THAT CURRENT REQUIREMENT. AND THEN IT MUST MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT LINE FOR A MINIMUM OF FOUR FOOT INTERVALS OR SEGMENTS. THE REASON THAT IS IS BECAUSE WE FELT THAT BASICALLY WE DIDN'T WANT TO INHIBIT DESIGN AND THERE ARE WAYS TO USE THAT ZIPPER WALL FOR EFFECTIVE USE SUCH AS A CLOSET OR SHELVING SPACE. AND WE DIDN'T WANT TO PROHIBIT THAT USE BY CREATING ONLY A STRAIGHT LINE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME THERE NEEDED TO BE SOME ELEMENT OF A CRITERIA SO THAT YOU COULD ACTUALLY USE THAT SPACE AND NOT JUST COVER IT AT A LATER DATE. THE ADDITIONAL CRITERIA WOULD BE THAT ONE UNIT MUST HAVE AN ENTRY TO A DWELLING UNIT THAT FACE AS FRONT STREET AND FOR CORNER LOTS FACES EACH STREET. SO ONE ENTRYWAY TO A DWELLING UNIT THAT FACES ONE STREET, EACH SIDE. ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS. BACKGROUND BASICALLY IS THAT THE TASKFORCE CONCLUDED THERE ARE MEETINGS IN DECEMBER. AND AS YOU KNOW, THIS ORDINANCE GETS TESTED TIME AND AGAIN SIMPLY BECAUSE THE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE INNOVATIVE IN THEIR APPROACH TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDINANCE. SO WE HAVE VERY INNOVATIVE ARCHITECTS COMING FORWARD AND DESIGNERS AND QUESTIONS ARISE AS TO HOW TO IMPLEMENT AND COMPLY WITH THE ORDINANCE THAT WAY. SO THE TASKFORCE, ONCE THEY CONCLUDED IN DECEMBER, STAFF IS STILL EXPERIENCING ISSUES AFTER THE TASKFORCE HAS ALREADY CONCLUDED. AND THAT'S WHERE SOME OF THESE ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCERNS EVOLVED. THE PLANNING COMMISSION REFERRED ALL OF THE ITEMS BACK TO THE TASKFORCE FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL DELAY ACTION UNTIL THE TASKFORCE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. SO WE'LL GO THROUGH THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS. TWO PARTICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS

EXPANDED THE RDC'S AUTHORITY. THE FIRST ONE WAS A RECOMMENDATION BY THE RDCC TO GIVE AUTHORITY TO THE RDCC TO CONSIDER MODIFICATION REQUESTS TO PROPERTIES IN HISTORIC DISTRICTS OR RECOGNIZED AS CONTRIBUTES STRUCTURES. CURRENTLY THE ISSUE WITH THAT IS THAT THERE ARE HOMES IN HISTORIC LANDMARK AREAS OR WHO ARE CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES. THE CURRENT CODE PROHIBITS THE RDCC FROM GRANTING A MODIFICATION. AS A RESULT THEY HAVE TO GO TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT. THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REQUIRES A HARDSHIP, AND GENERALLY THEY CANNOT MEET THAT CRITERIA. AS A RESULT, THEY GET STUCK. AND WE HAD ABOUT THREE OR FOUR STUCK WAITING FOR A DECISION ON THIS ISSUE. SO THIS WAS AN ITEM THAT WAS SUPPORTED BY THE TASKFORCE GENERALLY, AND ALSO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, BUT AGAIN BECAUSE IT'S PART OF THE WHOLE PACKAGE OF ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS, IT'S BEEN REFERRED BACK TO THE TASKFORCE. ITEM NUMBER SEVEN WAS TO ADD AUTHORITY TO LET THE RDCC TO CONSIDER IN ADDITION TO WHAT THEY ALREADY CURRENTLY CONSIDER, MODIFICATION REQUESTS FOR IMPERVIOUS COVER FOR BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, MODIFICATION REQUESTS FOR COMMERCIAL COMPATIBILITY, AND THE BOI, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO MAKE THIS VERY CLEAR. THE BOA WOULD RETAIN THIS AUTHORITY, BUT THE APPLICANT WOULD BE ABLE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN GOING TO THE RDCC OR THE BOA. I KNOW THERE'S CONFUSION THAT THE RDCC WOULD BE THE ONLY AUTHORITY LISTEN TO GO THIS, BUT THE BOA STILL RETAINS THAT AUTHORITY AS WELL. THE CHOICE WOULD GO TO ONE OF THE TWO ENTITIES. ITEM NO. 2 ON THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS IS HORIZONTAL ARTICULATION. CURRENTLY STORIES THAT ARE SET BACK FURTHER FROM THE PROPERTY LINE IF THEY'RE LOCATED ABOVE THE FIRST FLOOR DON'T QUALIFY AS SIDE WALL TACKLATIONS. BASICALLY IF YOU THINK OF SOME TRADITIONAL HOMES WHERE THE SECOND FLOOR JUST COMES INWARD AND AWAY FROM THE PROPERTY LINE, THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED, WHEREAS CURRENTLY IT'S NOT ALLOWED. DECKS, BALCONES, AND OTHER THINGS CANNOT BE LOANGTED IN ANY SIDE WALL ARTICULATION. THAT WOULD STILL STAND, SO YOU COULDN'T PUT A DECK INTO THAT SET BACK. THEN THE CONCEPT IS SUPPORT BID THE TASKFORCE, THEY JUST COULDN'T COME UP WITH THE LANGUAGE, AND WE WERE ABLE TO COME UP WITH THE LANGUAGE AFTER THEY CONCLUDED THEIR DISCUSSION. SO IT WAS ADDED ON TO THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS.

ITEM NUMBER 3 IS TO EXEMPT NEW SUBDIVISIONS. CURRENT REGULATIONS STIPULATE THAT IN AND ALL SUBDIVISIONS, REGARDLESS AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN DEVELOPED OR NOT, HAS TO COMPLY WITH CURRENT CODE. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT COULD EXEMPT UNDEVELOPED LAND ZONED FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE INTO McMANSION BOUNDARIES. THE TASKFORCE CONSIDERED THIS ISSUE, BUT DIDN'T MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ONE WAY OR THE OTHER ON IT. SO IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS DISCUSSED, BUT NOT IN DEPARTMENTTHIN DEPTHBECAUSE OF SO MANY ISSUES COMING FORWARD. THE BIGGEST DISCUSSION IS EVEN IF YOU HAVE A SUBDIVISION LOCATED WITHIN THE McMANSION BOUNDARIES, THEY'RE SURROUNDED BY

OTHER PREESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOODS. SO I THINK THEY STRUGGLED WITH THAT ISSUE. ITEM NUMBER 4 IS ALTERING THE McMANSION BOUNDARIES. CURRENT REGULATIONS, THE BOUNDARIES ARE DEFINED BY A MAP. AND THEY EXTEND ALL THE WAY UP TO THE NORTHWEST HILLS AREA, ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY HERE 1 -- I'M SORRY, 290-71. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD EXEMPT SUBDIVISIONS GENERALLY WHERE 50% OF THE HOMES HAVE AN F.A.R. ARE .4 OR MORE. AND WE ACTUALLY SEE THE VOFT MAJORITY OF THESE OCCURRING UP IN THE NORTHWEST HILLS AREA. AND STAFF'S ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATION IS RATHER THAN CREATE LANGUAGE THAT EXEMPT THESE SUBDIVISIONS WHERE 50% OF THE HOMES HAVE AN F.A. RAILROAD OF 4 OR MORE, WE CHANGED THE BOUNDARY LINES. BRING IT IN TO EXCLUDE NORTHWEST HILLS AND POSSIBLY THE HIGHLAND PARK AREA, WHICH INCLUDES THE CAT MOUNTAIN AREA.

CLARIFYING THE ATTIC EXEDGES. AGAIN ANOTHER ANOTHER ITEM THAT CAME AFTER THE TASKFORCE HAD CONCLUDED, PROBABLY AROUND FEBRUARY. THE CURRENT REGULATION SAYS THAT YOU HAVE TO -- IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE ATTIC EXEMPTION, YOU HAVE TO BE CONTAINED WITHIN THE ROOF STRUCTURE. THAT SEEM TO BE UNCLEAR TO SOME. SO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WAS TO POSSIBLY DEFINE WHAT ROOF STRUCTURE MEANT AND TO BASICALLY REFER ITS MEANING TO ROOF FRAMING BECAUSE THE IDEA IS THAT IF YOU ALREADY HAD A ROOF AND YOU CAN MAKE THAT ROOF HABITABLE SPACE, THEN CAN YOU EXEMPT IT IF THAT ROOF IS ALREADY EXEMPTED. THE STAFF ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS ACTUALLY DON'T CHANGE THE CURRENT. INSTEAD ESTABLISH A POLICY MEMO TO CLARIFY THE STANDARD PRACTICE AND TO DEFINE THE TECHNICAL CRITERIA IN THE BUILDING CRITERIA MANUEL, WHICH WE EXPECT TO DO SOMETIME IN AROUND JUNE. ALTER HEIGHT MEASUREMENTS. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT STAFF TWEAG HEARD A LOT ABOUT IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS. THE CURRENT REGULATION FOR PITCHED OR HIPPED ROOF IS MEASURED TO THE MIDPOINT OF THE HIGHEST GABLE. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD CLARIFY THAT FOR A PITCHED OR HIPPED ROOF RLTD HEIGHT SHALL BE MEASURED FROM A GABLED ROOF WITH THE HIGHEST AVERAGED HEIGHT. AND THE AMENDMENT WOULD ALLOW DORMERS WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE HEIGHT CALCULATION. CURRENTLY THEY'RE EXCLUDE FROM THAT CALCULATION. SO WE ONLY MEASURE TO GABLE. I HAVE A DIAGRAM THAT I CAN SHOW IF YOU NEED MORE EXPLANATION ON THAT. THAT'S A VERY TECHNICAL SITUATION AS WELL. STAFF RECOMMENDATION IS -- I'M SORRY, I SKIPPED OVER. AIS RECOMMENDATIONS. THE AFFORDABLE IMPACT -- THE AFFORDABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT WAS FORWARDED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND INITIALLY THEY SUPPORTED EVERYTHING, BUT THEY SENT IT BACK TO THE TASKFORCE TO CONSIDER. THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS WERE TO EXEMPT FROM McMANSION NEW SUBDIVISIONS OF AT LEAST ONE ACRE IF SMART HOUSING -- IF THE UNITS ARE SMART HOUSING CERTIFIED AND CONSTRUCTION CONSISTS OF AT LEAST FIVE UNITS. EXEMPTS ALSO HOMES OF 1500 SQUARE FEET OR LESS AND COTTAGE AND URBAN HOMES, SMALL LOT DEVELOPMENTS. THEY WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND EXEMPTING 2,400 SQUARE FOOT HOMES FROM THE SIDE WALL ARTICULATION REQUIREMENTS. AND THEN ESTABLISH ALTERNATIVE METHOD FOR

COMPLIANCE ON THE TOPO SURVEY REQUIREMENTS. CURRENTLY STAFF REQUIRES THAT IF YOU'VE GOT CHANGES IN GRADE IN EXCESS OF TWO FEET THAT YOU PROVIDE A TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY SEALED BY A SURVEYOR TO JUST VERIFY YOUR HEIGHTS, YOUR CHANGES AND THEN MAKE SURE THAT THEY COMPLY WITH THE CODE. STAFF RECOMMENDATION AT THIS POINT IS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ITEMS THAT HAVE RECEIVED WIDESPREAD SUPPORT FROM THE TASKFORCE AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION. AND THEN DELAY ACTION ON ITEMS THAT ARE BEING EVALUATED BY THE TASKFORCE. JUST A QUICK UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE WE ARE WITH THAT. THE TASKFORCE IS WORKING ON SCHEDULING A MEETING NEXT WEEK EARLY, POSSIBLY MONDAY, AND INTENDS TO DISCUSS THESE ITEMS AND ACCEPT PUBLIC COMMENT. AND THEN FROM THAT POINT WE BELIEVE WE CAN GET BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION BY THE 10th OF JUNE. AND THEN HOPEFULLY BACK TO COUNCIL IF NEED BE FOR THE REMAINING ITEMS. AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'M HERE TO ANSWER THOSE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. KING. QUESTIONS FOR STAFF, COUNCIL. COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING FROM THE LAST MEETING, ITEM NUMBER 32, WHICH IS A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ORDINANCE, WOULD BE POSTPONED. BUT WE HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL 6:00 O'CLOCK TO DO THAT. AND SO I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. I ALSO UNDERSTOOD THAT NUMBER 7, WHICH IS TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO THE RDCC VERSUS THE BOA, THAT THAT WOULD -- THAT THAT WAS BEING WITHDRAWN, BUT IT'S STILL ON YOUR LIST OF RECOMMENDATIONS.

IT IS STILL ON THE LIST IF WE NEED TO WITHDRAW IT WE CAN ABSOLUTELY DO THAT.

Leffingwell: AND FINALLY, I HAD A QUESTION ABOUT THE EXEMPTION FOR HOUSES LESS THAN 1500 SQUARE FEET. THAT WOULD BE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE F.A.R.?

THAT WOULD BE AN EXEMPTION FROM ALL OF McMANSION REQUIREMENTS.

Leffingwell: INCLUDING THE F.A.R.

INCLUDING THAT.

Leffingwell: THERE IS SOME CONCERN ABOUT THAT, AND THE EFFECT OF GOING UP THREE STORIES, FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH WOULD POSSIBLY BE NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS. SO THAT'S ANOTHER THING I WANT TO GET INTO A DISCUSSION ABOUT WHEN WE DO DISCUSS IT, WHICH I ASSUME WILL BE NOT TONIGHT, BUT AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING.

DEFINITELY. THE TASKFORCE INTENDS TO DISCUSS THAT ITEM TOO BECAUSE I KNOW

THAT'S ONE ISSUE THAT'S BEEN CIRCULATING THROUGH COMMUNICATIONS.

Leffingwell: OKAY.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: DO WE HAVE ANY SPEAKERS SIGNED UP? I SEE AT LEAST ONE OF THE TASKFORCE MEMBERS HERE.

Mayor Wynn: GOOD QUESTION. TECHNICALLY NO, BUT SINCE THIS WAS A BRIEFING -- NO ONE HAS SIGNED UP, BUT WE CERTAINLY WILL GLADLY WELCOME QUESTIONS OR TESTIMONY.

McCracken: ON THE BOUNDARY MODIFICATION, ARE THE ENTIRE AREAS OF HIGHLAND PARK AND NORTHWEST HILLS IDENTIFIED FOR REMOVAL OR JUST PORTIONS? WHAT IS --

YES. STAFF WOULD RECOMMEND THAT IF WE DO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES THAT WE BRING THE BOUNDARY INWARD AND REMOVE NORTHWEST HILLS AND HIGHLAND PARK. SO THOSE ARE THE AREAS THAT OFTEN TIMES HAVE VERY -- THAT ARE ALREADY BUILT QUITE BEYOND THE F.A.R. LIMITATION. WE ALSO HAVE SITUATIONS WHERE BECAUSE THE WAY THE COMPARISON IS AND HOW WE IDENTIFY LOT AREA WOULD BE VERY PROHIBITIVE. IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'VE GOT -- BECAUSE THE LOT IS SO HUGE AND EXTENDS INTO THE LAKE, EVEN THE TOTAL LOT AREA A LONG TIME AGO WOULD LOOK TO BE WELL BEYOND THE .4, IN REALITY WHAT IS BUILDABLE ON THAT LOT FAR EXCEEDS THE .4 LIMITATION. SO STAFF WOULD RECOMMEND THAT IN THOSE AREAS WE TAKE THEM COMPLETELY OUT OF McMANSION BOUNDARY IN LARN PART BECAUSE TOO, WHEN THEY'RE COMING BACK TO REMODEL, TO EXPAND TORKS DO WHATEVER THEY NEED TO DO FOR THEIR HOME, THAT IS GENERALLY COMPATIBLE WITHIN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD, THEY CAN'T DO IT AND IT'S NOT THAT THEY CAN'T DO IT, BUT IT MAKES IT MORE DIFFICULT. THEY'LL HAVE TO GO TO THE BOA, HAVE TO DO OTHER THINGS. SO IF THAT'S THE MOOD TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES, THEN THAT'S WHAT STAFF WOULD RECOMMEND IS TO PULL THOSE TWO AREAS OUT.

McCracken: A LITTLE BACKGROUND. I DO THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT A PROCESS FOR BOTH EXPANSION OF THE BOUNDARIES AND CONTRACTION. BUT IN MY INVOLVEMENT AS THE SPONSOR OF THE McMANSION ORDINANCE, I GUESS IT'S TWO YEARS AGO NOW, I WAS THE ONE TO REALLY PUSH FOR THE INCLUSION OF NORTHWEST HILLS AND HIGHLAND PARK BECAUSE ACTUALLY THE F.A.R.'S IN THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE TRADITIONALLY AROUND .2. AND THE NORTHWEST HILLS, HIGHLAND HILLS, HIGH HAND PARK WE'RE STARTING TO SEE THE PHENOMENON OF TWO HOMES BEING BUILT WITH ON A LOT WITH A TREL LIST AND CAWG IT A COMPLEX. SO WE'RE SEEING THE PHENOMENON THAT WAS GOING ON ELSEWHERE. I HAVE HEARD THAT THERE ARE SOME NEW SUBDIVISIONS THAT ARE TECHNICALLY IN EITHER CAT MOUNTAIN OR HIGHLAND PARK OR NORTHWEST HILLS, THAT IF WE HAVE A GOOD PROCESS MIGHT RESULT IN THEM BEING EXCLUDED. I PERSONALLY

WOULD THINK THAT WE -- TWO THINGS. FIRST IS WE SHOULD NOT BE EXEMPTING IN REMOVING ENTIRELY THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS. THEY WERE REALLY IN THE TARGET ZONE, AND IN MY ESTIMATION IN NEED OF PROTECTION FROM THE FORCES THAT WERE CREATING THE NEED FOR THIS ORDINANCE IN THE FIRST PLACE. AND THE SECOND THING I THINK IS THAT IT'S HELPFUL THAT WE'RE SENDING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDED TO SEND THIS BACK TO THE TASKFORCE SO WE CAN HAVE A PROCESS BY WHICH WE CAN HAVE A CONSENSUS. MY EXPECTATION IS THAT WE WILL PROBABLY NEED SOME EXPANSION OF THE BOUNDARIES TOO. THERE ARE PROBABLY NEIGHBORHOODS WE DIDN'T SEE AT THE TIME THIS CAME FORWARD THAT NEED TO COME IN. ALONG THESE LINES, IS IT APPROPRIATE FOR US TO BE GIVING DIRECTION AS A COUNCIL BODY TODAY IN THIS BRIEFING ON THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS?

Mayor Wynn: I WOULD THINK THAT IT'S -- OKAY, MR. SMITH.

I'M LOOKING AT THE POSTING LANGUAGE. IT DOESN'T EVEN HINT AT POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION.

McCracken: I GUESS THE QUESTION IS WHETHER WE'RE ABLE TO -- I WILL GIVE YOU MY INDIVIDUAL SENSE, WHICH IS I DO NOT SUPPORT THE REMOVAL OF NORTHWEST HILLS AND HIGHLAND PARK IN THEIR ENTIRETY, AND I DO SUPPORT A PROCESS BY WHICH THE TASKFORCE CAN MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON BOTH BOUNDARY CONTRACTIONS THAT ARE FINE GRAINED CONTRACTIONS, BUT ALSO BOUNDARY EXPANSIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE TASKFORCE IDENTIFY AREAS WHERE WE'RE SEEING PROBLEMS THAT LED TO THE NEED FOR THE McMANSION ORDINANCE IN THE FIRST PLACE. THERE ARE ALMOST CERTAINLY NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE NOT RECEIVING THOSE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE UNDER THE SAME MARKET FORCES OR DEVELOPMENT FORCES THAT CREATED THE NEED FOR THE ORDINANCE IN THE FIRST PLACE. SO I THINK THAT THIS TIME IS VERY BENEFICIAL. AND ALSO IT'S MY FAULT ON THE RDCC ADJUSTMENT OR EXPANSION. MY APPOINTEE IS KAREN MCGRAW AND I BELIEVE THAT THE RDCC HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS. I THINK THEY'VE DONE A GREAT JOB. THEY TOLD US THAT MEMBERS, INCLUDING MY APPOINTEE -- APPOINTEE, TOLD US THEY DON'T WANT THE EXPANDED JURISDICTION, WHICH WOULD NOT BE A REPLACEMENT. THAT SAID WE HAVE OPERATE ODD A CONSENSUS BASIS ON THE TASKFORCE, AND I'VE VALUED THAT MORE STRONGLY THAN ANY OUTCOME, AND I BELIEVE THAT MY PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT THERE WILL BE NO CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH I WILL SUPPORT ANY CHANGE TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE RDCC. AND I WANT TO SEE THE CONSENSUS ON ALL OF THESE ITEMS. WE ALL HAVE IDEAS THAT TANK OR OR CLUNKERS, SO THERE IS THIS IS ONE THAT I THOUGHT WAS MINE AND THEY'RE DOING A GOOD JOB, AND THEY DON'T WANT THE JURISDICTION AND THERE'S NOT CONSENSUS ON IT, AND THAT'S IMPORTANT. SO I WILL UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SUPPORT THAT. I ALSO -- I THINK THE FINAL ONE IS ON THE EXEMPTION BY THE CITY ON 1500 SQUARE FEET OR -- FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I THINK THE COUNCIL HAS WEIGH UNDERSTAND ON THIS A COUPLE OF TIMES AND HAS SAID A COUPLE OF TIMES WE THINK THE CITY NEEDS TO LIVE BY THE SAME RULES WE'RE ASKING THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO LIVE BY. AND I THINK -- I HAVE A

LITTLE BIT OF FRUSTRATION BECAUSE I THINK WE HAVE ADDRESS THIS HAD ON A COUPLE OF OCCASIONS. THE COUNCIL IS PRETTY DEFINITELY SAID THAT WE WANT THIS TO STOP WHERE WE KEEP GETTING STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS TO REMOVE PROPERTIES THAT WE SAY DON'T REMOVE FOR THE -- DON'T DO THIS. I FEEL LIKE I KNOW FOR SURE ON ONE OCCASION, AND PROBABLY TWICE WE HAVE SAID DON'T DO THIS EXEMPTION. SO I'M KIND OF FRUSTRATE IT HAD KEEPS ON COMING BACK. I THINK THE ANALOGY OF THE VAMPIRE WITH THE STAKE, HOW MANY TIMES DO WE HAVE TO DRIVE THE STAKE THROUGH THE HEART OF THE VAMPIRE AND SAY THE CITY IS GOING TO LIVE BY THE SAME RULES WE ASK THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO LIVE BY. BLOATED, OVERSIZED, COMMERCIALLY GIVEN, WEST COAST, CAPITAL FUNDED VENTURE PROPERTIES DON'T IMPROVE FOARNLT, THEY'RE TEARING DOWN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND THEY'RE MAKING AFFORDABILITY WORSE. SO HOPEFULLY WE CAN STOP SEEING THIS EFFORT COME FROM INSIDE THE CITY TO EXEMPT OURSELVES FROM THE McMANSION RULES. McMANSION RULES PRESERVE THE CHARACTER AND THE AFFORDABILITY OF OUR URBAN CORE NEIGHBORHOODS. I THINK THE COUNCIL HAS SPOKEN PRETTY DEFINITELY ON THIS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. I FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT IT BECAUSE IT KEEPS POPPING UP AND I THINK WE NEED TO SEE IT STOP POPPING UP.

MR. MCCRACKEN, I'M A LITTLE CURIOUS ABOUT THAT IN TEM OF THE RECOMMENDATION THAT YOU SAY STAFF COMES BACK PERIODICALLY. THAT'S INCONSISTENT WITH COUNCIL'S DESIRES REGARDING THE McMANSION ORDINANCE. ARE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS IN YOUR OPINION INCONGRUENT WITH SOME OFFICIAL POLICY? SO YOU'RE ESSENTIALLY SAYING THAT WHEN STAFF DOES THAT, THEY'RE ACTING OUTSIDE OF COUNCIL POLICY?

McCracken: YES. THANK YOU, CITY MANAGER. THIS OBVIOUSLY PREDATES YOU. THIS SPECIFIC QUESTION CAME UP TO US AS I RECALL ON TWO DIFFERENT OCCASIONS. ON BOTH OCCASIONS THE COUNCIL REJECTED THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION, AND AT THAT POINT THERE BY IN MY VIEW IT BECAME COUNCIL POLICY THAT WE WILL NOT BE DOING AFFORDABILITY EXEMPTIONS TO THE McMANSION ORDINANCE. SO IN MY JUDGMENT WHEN A RECOMMENDATION COMES BACK THAT ON TWO DIFFERENT OCCASIONS THE COUNCIL HAS REJECTED, THAT IS A RECOMMENDATION THAT IS CONTRARY TO COUNCIL POLICY.

Ott: I'M NOT SURE THAT I ENTIRELY AGREE. I MEAN, CAN YOU -- STAFF CAN MAKE A RECOMMENDATION THAT'S WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF COUNCIL POLICY AND THE COUNCIL CAN CERTAINLY REJECT THAT RECOMMENDATION. IT SEEMS TO ME, THOUGH, IF YOU WANT A PARTICULAR ACTION TO STOP, THEN YOU NEED TO MODIFY THE POLICY TO PRECLUDE T THE FACT THAT YOU SIMPLY DON'T SUPPORT A STAFF RECOMMENDATION DOESN'T NECESSARILY CHANGE POLICY.

McCracken: THAT IS A FAIR POINT. I FEEL LIKE -- WITH MY LAWYER'S BACKGROUND, 10 ANGELS DANCING ON THE HEAD OF A PIN KIND OF SITUATION. THAT TWICE THIS RECOMMENDATION HAS COME BCH THE COUNCIL AND TWICE THE COUNCIL HAS REJECTED IT. FANNED IT COMES BACK A THIRD TIME, I GUESS I AM FRUSTRATED BY THE FACT THAT IT

KEEP COMING BACK BECAUSE THE COUNCIL I THINK HAS PRETTY DEFINITELY AND UNANIMOUSLY STATED ON TWO DIFFERENT PRIOR OCCASIONS THAT WE DO NOT WANT TO SEE THIS IN THE ORDINANCE. THAT WE WANT THE CITY TO LIVE BY THE SAME RULES THAT THE PRIVATE SECTOR IS LIVING BY. AND BECAUSE WE -- SO THAT SAID --

WELL, MY HOPE IS THAT STAFF WOULD NOT KNOWINGLY BACK A RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL THAT THEY KNOW EXCEEDS THE POLICY PARAMETERS OF COUNCIL. I WOULD HOPE THAT THEY WOULDN'T DO THAT. IF THEY'RE NOT DOING IT AND THEY'RE PROVIDING A RECOMMENDATION THAT'S WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF THE POLICY AND ON A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT OCCASIONS COUNCIL HAS CHOSEN TO REJECT THAT RECOMMENDATION, IF YOU DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT KIND OF RECOMMENDATION, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE POLICY, WHICHEVER ONE WREER TALKING ABOUT, EITHER NEEDS TO BE REVISED IN SOME WAY TO SIMPLY PRECLUDE IT AND THEN STAFF WILL OPERATE WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF THE REVISED POLICY.

McCracken: AND CITY MANAGER TORKS GIVE A LITTLE FURTHER BACKGROUND, THIS WAS NOT A MINOR AND PASSING ISSUE. A PRIOR INSTANCE OF THIS HAPPENING, THERE WAS A GREAT DEAL OF DISPLEASURE FROM COUNCILMEMBERS OVER THIS.

Ott: OKAY.

McCracken: I DON'T THINK IT COMES OUT OF A VACUUM WHERE THERE WAS SOME AMBIGUITY. BUT THAT SAID, LOOK, I'M SAYING I MADE A MISTAKE ON THIS ONE TOO. THERE'S PLENTY TO GO AROUND. AND SO I'M JUST SAYING LET'S FOCUS ON THE TASKFORCE'S RECOMMENDATIONS. I THINK THAT IS THE WAY TO GO. THAT THIS PROCESS HAS SERVED US WELL. AND THEN I THINK THE STAFF HAS DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB ON A VERY TOUGH, CON 10 SHUS ISSUE. I JUST -- CONTENTIOUS ISSUE. I JUST HOPE WE CAN PUT TO BED -- I THINK THIS IS SO IMPORTANT THAT WE SET AN EXAMPLE AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT WE LIVE BY THE RULES WE'RE ASKING EVERYBODY ELSE TO LIVE BY.

Ott: I'LL TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT IT WITH STAFF.

Leffingwell: YES, MAYOR. THIS IS FOR THE CITY ATTORNEY. WE TALKED ABOUT PROVIDING DIRECTION BEFORE THIS COMES BACK TO US. ALSO THE FACT THAT WE'RE GOING TO POSTPONE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION TONIGHT AT 6:00 O'CLOCK. WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE AT THAT TIME CONCURRENT WITH THE POSTPONEMENT TO GIVE DIRECTION?

YES, I THINK IT WOULD.

Leffingwell: OKAY.

BUT AS YOU POINT OUT THAT HAS TO WAIT UNTIL 6:00 P.M. THIS EVENING.

Mayor Wynn: SO FURTHER QUESTIONS? COUNCILMEMBER COLE.

Cole: I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION. AND I MIGHT HOLD IT TONIGHT FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR FROM (INDISCERNIBLE) IF SHE HAS ANY COMMENTS ON IT NOW. I WAS CURIOUS ABOUT THE ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER RECOMMENDATIONS HAVING TO DO WITH THE EXPANDED RDCC AUTHORITY OVER COMPATIBILITY. AND UNDERSTANDING THAT. DO YOU HAVE ANY BACKGROUND OR HISTORY HAVING TO DO WITH THAT?

I BELIEVE COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN JUST SPOKE TO THAT, YES.

Cole: SO THAT WAS ALL OF WHAT --

MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THAT IS GOING TO BE WITHDRAWN AND THAT WE ARE NOT MOVING FORWARD WITH THAT ANY LONGER. THAT'S WHAT I'VE TAKEN AWAY FROM THIS CONVERSATION.

Cole: I'M SORRY, SOMETIMES WHEN COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN GETS CAUGHT UP IN McMANSIONS AND RDCC, I DON'T QUITE FOLLOW IT. [LAUGHTER]

Leffingwell: MAYOR, COULD I SAY THAT I INTEND TO OFFER THAT AS DIRECTION TONIGHT AT 6:00 O'CLOCK. THAT WE WOULD NOT CONSIDER THE TRANSFER OF THAT AUTHORITY.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS OF STAFF?

Cole: I KNOW THERE'S NOT ANYBODY ELSE THAT HAS THAT PROBLEM. [LAUGHTER]

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? GUBL, TECHNICALLY WE'RE POSTED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. I BELIEVE IT'S THE WILL OF THE COUNCIL TO POSTPONE THAT. WE'LL TAKE UP THAT DISCUSSION ON THE POTENTIAL POSTPONEMENT AND EVEN POTENTIAL DIRECTION AFTER SIX P.M. MS. KING, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THAT'S ALL OF OUR POTENTIAL DISCUSSION ITEMS PRIOR TO OUR 4:00 O'CLOCK ZONING. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE WILL NOW GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 AND 551.072 TO DISCUSS BOTH LEGAL AND REAL ESTATE ISSUES RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREEN WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND THE AUSTIN ENERGY CONTROL CENTER SITE. THESE ARE POSTED AS ITEMS 22 AND 23. I ANTICIPATE -- I ANTICIPATE THIS DISCUSSION TAKING QUITE SOME TIME, BUT WE WILL COME BACK RIGHT AT NOON FOR OUR GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION. THANK YOU.

WE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING REAL ESTATE MATTERS RELATED AND WILL CONTINUE TO DELIBERATE THOSE MATTERS AND DISCUSSIONS AFTER CITIZENS COMMUNICATION. THAT

TAKES TO THE NOON CITIZENS COMMUNICATION, WE HAVE A HANDFUL OF CITIZENS SIGNED UP TO ADDRESS US. THE FIRST IS CAROLANNEROSE KENNEDY CAROLANNEROSE KENNEDY TO BE FOLLOWED BY AN THROWN WALKER. ANTHONY WALKER. HOW ABOUT PATTY SPINKLE. OR CYNTHIA VALADEZ? MAYBE THE STORM HAS KEPT EVERYBODY AWAY. KATHRYN KAWAZON. SORRY IF I'M MISPRONOUNCING THAT, KATHRYN ALSO SIGNED UP. AKWASI EVANS ALSO SIGNED UP TO ADDRESS US. HOW ABOUT PHILLIP KOSKE? OR NICK MOLLBERG. FINALLY JENNIFER GALE. OH, AND SCOTT MCNEARNEY. ANYBODY ELSE, MS. GENTRY? WHAT'S YOUR NAME, EXCUSE ME? YES, I'M SORRY, MR. WALKER, PLEASE COME FORWARD. EXCUSE ME. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES, WELCOME.

I WANT TO SAY GREETINGS. PEACE BE UNTO YOU. TO THE MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, THE FEW THAT MADE IT OUT HERE THIS EVENING I WANT TO WISH EVERYONE AND THEIR FAMILY THE BEST OF HEALTH AND THE GREATEST OF SPIRIT. YOU KNOW LIBERTY IN AUSTIN, LIBERTY IN AMERICA, AMERICA MADE A PROMISE. AMERICA MADE A PROMISE ABOUT LIVING UP TO THE TRUE CREED. BUT HERE IN AMERICA, AMERICA IS NOT ABOUTABOUT POOR PEOPLE, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER YOU ARE BLACK, WHITE, ANY RACE. THIS COUNTRY IS ALL ABOUT RICH PEOPLE, PRIVILEGED PEOPLE, POWERFUL PEOPLE. EVEN HERE AT A LOCAL LEVEL. YOU TAKE OUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS. IN MY HUMBLE OPINION, THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBER IN AUSTIN AS A WHOLE IS NOTHING MORE THAN A FRAUD. A BIG FRAUD. THEY PRETEND THEY WANT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE, UNIFY THE CITY. AUSTIN IS READY FOR THE TAKING. THIS CITY IS READY FOR LEGAL TO EMERGE TO BE ABLE TO UNIFY THE PEOPLES HERE. I GOT A LOT OF THINGS IN MY MIND THAT I WANT TO DISCUSS. I CAME HERE WITH THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMUNITY IN NORTHEAST AUSTIN. THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE COMMUNITY LIVE AT 8,000 DECKER LANE, WHICH IS SUBSIDIZED HOUSING COMPLEX. THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE TO WALK A MILE AND A HALF TO THE CLOSEST CAPITAL METRO BUS STOP. WHEN I SEE A SENIOR CITIZEN HAVING TO TAKE THREE OR FOUR OR FIVE BREAKS JUST TO GET TO THE BUS STOP. WHEN I SEE THAT WHEELCHAIR STRUGGLING TRYING TO GET TO THE BUS STOP, I FEEL THEIR PAIN WHAT THEY'RE GOING THROUGH. YOU AS OUR LOCAL POLITICIAN, YOU ARE ELECTED OFFICIALS, WHICH MEANS YOU GOVERN OTHER PEOPLE FOR THE PEOPLE AND BY THE PEOPLE. YOU HAVE THE DUTY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO RESPOND TO THE CRITICAL NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE. IF THE COUNCIL IS NOT GOING TO RESPOND TO THE CRITICAL NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE, EITHER THEY NEED TO BE REFORMED OR THEY NEED TO BE ABOLISHED! THIS IS AMERICA WE LIVE IN. THIS IS AUSTIN WE LIVE IN. WE HAVE TO START ADDRESSING ISSUES THAT AFFECT OUR PEOPLE. THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THAT COMMUNITY WHY IS IT SO DIFFICULT TO GET THE CITY TO GET INVOLVED IN THEIR NEEDS? THEY HAVE -- THEY GET TO VOTE FOR THE CITY ELECTION. THEY GET TO VOTE FOR THE COUNCILMEMBER, THEY GET TO VOTE FOR THE MAYOR. WHY IS NOT THE PEOPLE LISTENING TO THOSE INDIVIDUAL OUT THERE? DON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER. YOU HAVE GOT TO BE A VOICE FOR THE PEOPLE. YOU HAVE GOT TO BE A PROBLEM SOLVER. IF YOU ARE NOT GOING TO BE A PROBLEM SOLVER, THAT IS GOING TO MAKE YOU A PART OF THE PROBLEM. THIS IS AUSTIN WE LIVE IN. A LOT OF CHANGE THAT WE NEED TO ADDRESS IN THIS CITY. WHENEVER YOU TAKE AN

ORDINARY CITIZEN WHO CALLS THE COUNCILMEMBER, THE CITY WON'T RETURN THEIR CALL BECAUSE THEY DON'T FEEL LIKE IT'S IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THEM. AMERICA IS LOOKING FOR SOMEBODY THAT CAN UNITE THIS COUNTRY. THEY DON'T WANT TO LIVE IN THE 50s AND SIXTH NO MORE. EVEN IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, THEY WANT SOMEONE TO EMERGE AND BRING THIS CITY TOGETHER. YOU KNOW WHAT? I GOT SO MUCH BUILT UP THAT I REALLY WANT TO DISCUSS BUT THE TIME LIMIT IS LIMITING THE TIME. I MADE A PROMISE AS A CIVIL RIGHTS, COMMUNITY ACTIVIST. I WANT TO BE A VOICE FOR THE PEOPLE. AS COUNCILMEMBERS IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO BE A VOICE TO THE PEOPLE ALSO. LET ME CLOSE ON THIS. THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLES IN THIS CITY IN AMERICA WHO IS FIGHTING FOR A CHANGE, WHO FIGHT FOR EQUALITY. BEFORE CHANGE COMES ABOUT AT A NATIONAL LEVEL, WE FIRST MUST START AT A LOCAL LEVEL. EVERY CITIZEN, EVERY BUSINESS, EVERY COMMUNITY IN THIS CITY CONTRIBUTES TO AUSTIN BEING IN THE CITY OF TEXAS -- TEXAS IN THE STATE, IN AMERICA. AMERICA, MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST IS ONE NATION UNDER GOD WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. MAY GOD BLESS US ALL. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MR. WALKER. EARLIER I CALLED CAROLANNEROSE KENNEDY AND PATTY SPINKLE WELCOME, MS. SPINKLE. OKAY.

HI, SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW, I'M PATTY SPRINKLE THE PRESIDENT OF GALINDO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. RIGHT NOW, IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, WE ARE FACING A SERIOUS TRAFFIC PROBLEM ALONG THE SOUTH. WE MET ON TUESDAY WITH -- WITH MR. GOOD AND RICHARD KROEGER FROM THE CITY HERE TO DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM, WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON IT FOR ABOUT SEVEN YEARS NOW, WE HAVE A SERIES OF COMMUTER CUT THROUGH PROBLEMS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THAT PRETTY MUCH IS EVENING AND MORNING RUSH HOUR. WE HAVE A HIGH RATE OF SPEED ALONG THIS ROAD. A LOT OF ACCIDENTS LATELY. CAR LEFT THE ROAD SEVERAL WEEKS AGO AND RAN INTO A BEDROOM OF A YOUNG GIRL, YOU WILL SEE THAT IN THE NEXT PRESENTATION, HE HAS PRETTY GRAPHIC IMAGES THAT STARTLED US QUITE A BIT. HE'LL ALSO SHOW YOU HOW THIS ROAD IS EUPHEMISTICALLY KNOWN AS HIPPIE HIGHWAY. EVERY OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD IN SOUTH CENTRAL HAS TRAFFIC CALMING. WE HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR IT FOR SEVEN YEARS NOW. WE HAVE BEEN PUT TO THE BOTTOM OF THE LIST EVERY TIME. WHEN THE GENTLEMAN BEFORE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY, I HAVE TO SAY I CAN REALLY RESONATE WITH THAT. TO GET ANYTHING DONE HERE YOU HAVE TO OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN COME IN HERE AND COMPLAIN ABOUT A PROBLEM. WE DO ALL OF THIS PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE NOW? WE NEED TO START PAYING ATTENTION TO THE NEIGHBORS, TO THE PEDESTRIANS, TO THE CYCLISTS, THE BIKERS. WE ARE NOT DOING THAT, WE ARE NOT DOING A VERY GOOD JOB OF THAT. I SORT OF PLAN TO BE TALKING ABOUT AFTER YOU HAD SEEN THE OTHER PRESENTATIONS, BUT I WANT TO SAY AS A NEIGHBORHOOD WE ARE DOING OUR PART FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN. ABSORBING GROWTH. WE HAVE A NEW SUBSTATION THAT'S BEEN IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD FOR A WHILE, AUSTIN ENERGY IS EXPANDING THAT BECAUSE HOLLY HAS BEEN SHUT DOWN. WE ALREADY HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH THE CITY ON TRYING TO

MAKE SURE THIS IS SAFE FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE WE ARE A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD. MOVING FROM ONE PART OF TOWN TO OUR PART OF TOWN. I DON'T KNOW. WE HAVE 350 MORE RESIDENTS UNITS COMING INTO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD NOW. WE APPROVED THE VMU ALONG SOUTH FIRST EVEN THOUGH THE STREET IS NOT EVEN WIDE ENOUGH FOR A TURN LANE. OKAY? WE ARE REALLY TRYING TO HELP AND DO OUR PART HERE. WE NEED THE CITY TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE HERE AND MAKE AUSTIN THE LIVEABLE, WALKABLE CITY THAT WE KEEP HEARING ABOUT. WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO? WE NEED CROSS WALKS, SIDEWALKS, STOP SIGNS, WE NEED HELP FROM YOU. WE CAN ONLY DO SO MUCH AS A NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE GOT TO RESPECT GALINDO PROGRAM. WE PUT SIGNS UP, SLOW DOWN PEOPLE YOU ARE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD, THERE'S KIDS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S REALLY GOING TO TAKE TO GET THE CITY TO PAY ATTENTION. WE HOPE THAT IT'S NOT A DEATH ON THE STREETS OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HOPE THAT IT'S NOT SOME MOM WALKING HER BABY IN A STROLLER AROUND THE CORNER, SOMEBODY WHIPS BY BECAUSE THE TRAIN IS ON THE TRACK AND THEY HAVE TO GET TO WHERE THEY'RE GOING SO FAST. I -- I JUST CAN'T EMPHASIZE ENOUGH THAT IT'S A PROBLEM. THE CITY'S STANDARD METRICS THAT THEY ARE USING RIGHT NOW A RUBRIC THAT DOES A 24 HOUR TRAFFIC COUNT DOES NOT ADEQUATELY SHOW OUR PROBLEM. WE HAVE A PROBLEM IN THE MORNING WHEN PEOPLE ARE GOING TO WORK AND A PROBLEM IN THE EVENING. [BEEPING] SO ANYWAY THAT'S -- THAT'S WHAT I HAVE TO SAY THIS MORNING AND SOME OF THE OTHER PEOPLE WAS SHOWING YOU MORE CLEARLY WITH THE DIAGRAM AND A PRESENTATION THAT WILL HOPEFULLY EXPLAIN THE PROBLEM A LITTLE MORE. AS I -- WE APPRECIATE THE MEETING WITH THE CITY THE OTHER DAY, BUT WE NEED ACTION. THEY NEED SOME DIRECTION FROM YOU TO REALLY STEP IN AND SAY LET'S FIX THIS PROBLEM NOW. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS CYNTHIA VALLADEZ.

[INDISCERNIBLE]

OKAY. THEN KATHRYN KAWAZON. NOT HERE?

MY NAME IS NICK MOLBERG, ALSO WITH THE GALINDO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO AREN'T AWARE OF WHERE WE ARE, SOUTH OF BOULDIN CREEK, SOUTH OF OLTORF. I WOULD LIKE TO DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO A PRESENTATION THAT WE HAVE HERE JUST DOCUMENTING THE -- THE SORT OF MAGNITUDE OF THE CHALLENGES THAT WE ARE FACING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH -- WITH COMMUTER CUT THROUGH AND SPEEDING. YOU CAN SEE THERE -- THE FIRST SLIDE, WE HAVE SIGNS THAT WE PRINTED AS A NEIGHBORHOOD AND HAD THEM PLACED THROUGHOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASKING PEOPLE TO PLEASE SLOW DOWN WHEN YOU ARE COMING THROUGH. BASICALLY A SUMMARY OF OUR TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IS -- AS PATTI MENTIONED, MASSIVE COMMUTER CUT THROUGH COUPLED WITH SPEEDING. THE DENSITY OF THE ENTIRE CITY IS OF COURSE INCREASING, BUT WE FEEL THAT THAT IS TAKING PLACE WITHOUT SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE GROWTH. WE'VE HAD A NUMBER OF DANGEROUS ACCIDENTS JUST IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS AND WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO COMBAT THAT BY GOING THROUGH THE OFFICIAL CHANNELS, APPLYING FOR TRAFFIC CALMING, BUT IN ADDITION TO THAT

SUPPLEMENTING THAT WITH A GRASSROOTS EFFORT THROUGHOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND A.P.D. THIS STRETCH OF ROAD HERE, AFFECTIONATELY OR NOT SO AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS THE HIPPIE HIGHWAY IS 1.6 MILES OF SOUTH AUSTIN. IT IS THE ONLY MAJOR THOROUGHFARE BETWEEN SOUTH FIFTH STREET BEING NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF THAT, THE ONLY MAJOR THOROUGHFARE BETWEEN OLTORF AND BEN WHITE WITHOUT REALLY ANY TRAFFIC CALMING OR STOP SIGNS OF ANY KIND. AS YOU CAN SEE THE HIGHLIGHTED ROUTE IS SOUTH FIFTH STREET AND GARDEN VILLA, THAT CUTS THROUGH THE VERY HEART OF GALINDO. YOU CAN SEE FROM THE ONE GRAPHIC THERE, ONE STOP SIGN, A SINGULAR STOP SIGN ON 1.6 MILES OF RESIDENTIAL STREETS. IF YOU COMPARE THAT TO SOUTH FIFTH OR SOUTH FIRST YOU WILL SEE THERE ARE FIVE TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON THE SAME PROUD. I WOULD ASK YOU LADIES AND GENTLEMEN IF YOU WERE TRYING TO GET TO WORK AND YOU WERE IN A HURRY, WHICH ROUTE WOULD YOU TAKE? WAIT AT FIVE STOP LIGHTS OR ZOOM THROUGH GALINDO AND ALSO HAVE TO FACE ONE STOP SIGN. THIS IS A COLLISION THAT HAPPENED A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO, EARLY SATURDAY MORNING A DRIVER OF AN S.U.V. CRASHED INTO THE BEDROOM OF A FOUR-YEAR-OLD GIRL. THIS WAS MID BLOCK COLLISION, THE GENTLEMAN ROUNDED THE TURN -- THE TURN ON TO SOUTH FIFTH STREET. THIS IS TWO DOORS DOWN FROM ME. I HEARD A SCREECHING, A MASSIVE COLLISION AS THIS GENTLEMAN PLOWED INTO THIS LITTLE GIRL'S BEDROOM. A COUPLE OF DAYS AFTER THAT, WE HAD A DRUNK DRIVING COLLISION, A SPEEDING VEHICLE IGNORED A STOP SIGN. THIS IS ABOUT 100 FEET AWAY FROM THE PREVIOUS ACCIDENT THAT I JUST SHOWED YOU. WE HAVEN'T REALLY SEEN ANYTHING BY WAY OF INCREASED A.P.D. ENFORCEMENT IN OUR PATROLS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. THE DRIVER WAS ARRESTED FOR DWI, WHICH IS A POSITIVE THING. BUT ANYWAY HERE IS ANOTHER COLLISION WE HAD JUST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO. AGENTS A LITTLE FARTHER UP NORTH, SOUTH FIFTH AND HERNDON. ANOTHER SPEEDING VEHICLE HIT A -- [BEEPING] -- OH, OKAY. SO I -- I GUESS WE HAVE A NUMBER OF OTHER SPEAKERS.

WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

YES, YOU MAY.

OKAY. THIS OTHER COLLISION HAPPENED JUST A LITTLE BIT NORTH OF THE PREVIOUS TWO. ALONG THE HIPPIE HIGHWAY AS WELL. A CAR RAN A STOP SIGN AND WAS HIT BY A SPEEDING VEHICLE. WE HAD A -- A DRIVER HOSPITALIZED AFTER THAT AND THERE HAVE BEEN AT LEAST TWO PRIOR ACCIDENTS AT THIS INTERSECTION SINCE THE INSTALLATION OF A LARGE UTILITY POLE. THESE POLES HAVE BEEN INSTALLED ALL ALONG SOUTH FIFTH STREET. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE IT SEVERELY IMPACTS VISIBILITY. WHAT HAVE WE DONE AS A NEIGHBORHOOD TO TRY TO COMBAT THIS PROBLEM? AS WE MENTIONED WE HAVE SLOW DOWN SIGNS, IN THE FRONT YARD -- YOU CAN SEE THE S.U.V. IN THE LIVING ROOM IN THE BACK THERE. WE HAVE GOT WEBSITE THAT WE TRY TO DIRECT PEOPLE TO TO HELP CONTRIBUTE TO THE TRAFFIC CALMING EFFORTS. WE'VE HAD STORIES SPECIFICALLY THE ACCIDENT WHERE THE S.U.V. HIT THE HOUSE SYNDICATED ON TO CNN. OF COURSE AMPLE

COVERAGE IN THE STATESMAN. TEXAS CABLE NEWS NETWORK AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF A.B.C. AND FOX AFFILIATES PICKED UP THE STORY. NOT ONLY LOCALLY, BUT STATE-WIDE AS WELL. WE'VE CONTACTED A.P.D. ANY NUMBER OF TIMES ASKING FOR INCREASED PATROLS. THAT HAS NOT HAPPENED AS OF YET. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO TRY TO GET TRAFFIC CALMING IMPLEMENTED. WE HAVE NOT REALLY ACHIEVED THAT AS OF YET. SO THE CITY FOR US HAS LOWERED OUR I GUESS CITY-WIDE WE HAVE LOWERED -- LOWERED THE -- THE SPEED LIMIT FROM 30 MILES AN HOUR TO 25 MILES AN HOUR, SADLY HAS THAT HAS NOT REALLY IMPACTED OUR EXPERIENCE OF TRAFFIC. WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY TRAFFIC CALMING INSTALLED EVER IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE ARE CURRENTLY 19th ON THE LIST. WE ARE WORKING WITH PUBLIC WORKS TO POSSIBLY MOVE US UP ON THE LIST. WE HAVE NO NEW STOP SIGNS, NO NEW SIDEWALKS, NO BIKE LANES AND NO REGULAR MAINTAINED A.P.D. PRESENCE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR ENFORCEMENT. ALL OF THESE THINGS WOULD -- WOULD PROTECT AND INCREASE -- I MEAN INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROTECT, YOU KNOW, THE MEMBERS OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND WE WOULD -- I MEAN, WE WOULD BE VERY EAGER TO HAVE THAT. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN SEE, THIS IS A CLOSEUP OF THE ACCIDENT. THERE IS A DOOR OF THE EXPLORER -- DORA THE EXPLORER PILLOW PRETTY MUCH EDGED UNDER THE FRONT TIRE OF THAT S.U.V. ABOUT FOUR MINUTES PRIOR TO THIS COLLISION THIS LITTLE GIRL WAS IN HER BEDROOM. LUCKILY ENOUGH SHE LEFT THE ROOM JUST BEFORE THIS VEHICLE STRUCK AND I REALLY SHUDDER TO THINK WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED HAD THAT CAR COME JUST A COUPLE OF MINUTES SOONER. AND I GUESS THE QUESTION THAT WE HAVE IS WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO GET RESULTS? I MEAN, IS IT GOING TO BE A FATALITY, A VERY SEVERE INJURY? HONESTLY, I HOPE THAT IT NEVER COMES TO THAT. I HOPE THAT WE NEVER AGAIN HAVE TO COME HERE WITH PHOTOS OF ACCIDENTS, HOPEFULLY NEVER PHOTOS OF SEVERE INJURIES, BUT WE ARE JUST LOOKING FOR ANYTHING THAT WE CAN GET IN TERMS OF THE CITY ADEQUATELY FUNDING THE TRAFFIC CALMING PROGRAM, WORKING WITH NEIGHBORHOODS TO SUPPORT INFRASTRUCTURE GROWTH OR SUPPORT DENSITY WITH INCREASED -- INCREASED INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MR. NOLBERG. I THINK THERE ARE -- THERE WAS A LITTLE BIT -- A FEW MORE FOLKS WANTED TO ADDRESS US. PHILIP KOSKE

HEY, EVERYBODY, MY NAME IS PHILIP KOSKE I LIVE ON SOUTH FIFTH STREET. I WANTED TO EXPAND ON THE DISCUSSION A LITTLE BIT. PEOPLE ASK ABOUT WHY FAMILIES AND YOUNG CHILDREN ARE MOVING OUT OF THE CENTER OF AUSTIN. WHY YOU CAN'T GET THEM DOWNTOWN, WHY YOU CAN'T THEM A LOT OF PLACES. THIS IS A GREAT REASON. IT'S DANGEROUS, GUYS. WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR ANYTHING SPECIAL. WE JUST WANT SIDEWALKS. I CAN MOVE OUT TO A SUBDIVISION OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE AND THERE'S MORE SIDEWALKS THAN WHAT WE HAVE. MORE ACCESS TO TRAILS, SO ON, SO FORTH. SOP I JUST WANT TO REITERATE WE ARE NOT LOOKING FOR ANYTHING SPECIAL. WE JUST WANT BASIC STUFF. WE WANT SAFE STREETS, WE WANT SIDEWALKS, I WANT A PLACE WHERE I CAN RAISE MY KIDS AND WALK TO SCHOOL WITHOUT HAVING TO DODGE

TRAFFIC. IN CENTRAL AUSTIN, WHAT WE WANT TO BE A WALKABLE, VIBRANT, DEVICE PLACE. YOU KNOW, I JUST DON'T KNOW THAT'S TOO MUCH TO ASK. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT COSTS MONEY. NOTHING IS FREE, YOU GUYS HAVE BUDGETS AND EVERYTHING LIKE THAT. THAT'S KIND OF WHY WE ARE HERE, DOING THIS, TRYING TO GET THE PROCESS INVIGORATED, TRYING TO GET YOU GUYS ON OUR TEAM. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN FOR US. IT'S SILLY BUT, YOU KNOW, 100 FEET OF SIDEWALKS IN A COUPLE OF PLACES WOULD MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE. SO JUST THINK ABOUT IT AND HOPEFULLY WE WILL KEEP WORKING WITH YOU GUYS AND GET SOME RESULTS. THANKS VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. KOSKE. WE HAVE A FEW MORE CITIZENS TO TESTIFY BUT NOT ABOUT THAT TRAFFIC QUESTION. COUNCILMEMBER KIM?

Kim: CAN WE GET A STAFF RESPONSE ON THE TRAFFIC ISSUES AND WHAT WAS THE CAUSE OF THAT S.U.V. CRASHING INTO THAT HOUSE? DOES ANYONE HAVE THAT REPORT?

AIMED DAVID GERARD WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. I DON'T HAVE THE SPECIFICS ON THAT PARTICULAR ACCIDENT. I BELIEVE IT WAS CAUSED BY SPEEDING. I WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT THE COLLISION REPORT. I WAS NOT PRESENT AT THE MEETING THAT WAS HELD RECENTLY WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT I BELIEVE A COMMITMENT WAS MADE THAT THE CITY WILL WORK WITH THEM ON DEVELOPING A TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN. SPEEDING AND NEIGHBORHOODS, I'M WITH THE TRANSPORTATION DIVISION, SPEEDING IN NEIGHBORHOODS IS THE NUMBER ONE COMPLAINT THAT WE HEAR. MORE THAN CONGESTION AND OTHER COMPLAINTS. IT'S AN ISSUE CITY-WIDE THAT'S WHY WE ARE AS A CITY OVERWHELMED WITH TRYING TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES, I BELIEVE A COMMITMENT WAS MADE THAT THE CITY WOULD WORK WITH THEM TO DEVELOP A PLAN.

Kim: I'M WONDERING WHETHER DIFFERENT PEOPLE THE THINGS PEOPLE HAVE ASKED FOR, SIDEWALKS, WE HAVE NO NEW SIDEWALK MONEY. BUT THAT'S ONE OF THE LISTS OF THINGS THAT THEY HAVE TALKED ABOUT, THE UTILITY POLE IS AN ISSUE, SOUNDS LIKE. A NUMBER OF ISSUES. I HAVEN'T DRIVEN DOWN SOUTH FIRST STREET IN A WHILE. NOT SOUTH FIFTH STREET. BUT SEEING IT WITH ONLY ONE STOP SIGN IT SEEMS LIKE YES THAT WOULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY IN THE NORTH-SOUTH KOREA DOOR. I'M JUST CURIOUS WHAT THE STAFF KIND OF INITIAL REACTIONS ARE, IF THERE ARE ANY IDEAS THAT ARE BEING DISCUSSED RIGHT NOW, SOMETHING TO AT LEAST LOOK AT. COMPREHENSIVELY FOR THE WHOLE CORRIDOR.

THAT'S EXACTLY THE PURPOSE OF THE STUDY WOULD BE TO TAKE A COMPREHENSIVE LOOK AT THE ISSUES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, NOT ONLY THE SPEEDING, THE NEED FOR SIDEWALKS FOR OTHER TYPES OF IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

OKAY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. GERARD.

THANK YOU.

SEE OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS CYNTHIA VALADEZ. WELCOME MS. VALADEZ, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. FIRST OF ALL I WANTED TO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE HERE. I'M HERE WITH EAST RIVER CITY CITIZENS. A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. A RELATIVELY NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IN EAST AUSTIN. THAT WAS CREATED BECAUSE WE ARE IN CRISIS. FOR THE LAST TWO, AT LEAST TWO YEARS, WE HAVE NOT HAD A PLANNING TEAM MEETING BECAUSE OF THE -- BECAUSE OF THE INTERNAL POLITICAL FIGHT BETWEEN TWO EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS WHO COULDN'T COME TOGETHER TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES THAT AFFECT US, THOSE OF US WHO LIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD EAST OF 35th. EAST OF CHICON ALL THE WAY TO PLEASANT VALLEY. WHAT WE HAVE NOTICED THE LAST FEW YEARS IS INCREASED PROSTITUTION OCCURRING ON OUR STREETS. AND IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. WE HAVE SEEN HOUSES OPENING UP TO ILLEGAL GAMBLING ACTIVITIES THAT WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT. WE HAVE SEEN INCREASED TRAFFIC, TRUCK TRAFFIC, WHEN WE HAVE CLEARLY MARKED, I BROUGHT THAT TO YOU ALL BEFORE, WE HAVE CLEARLY MARKED NO TRUCK THOROUGHFARE SIGNS ON EAST CESAR CHAVEZ, PEOPLE ARE USING THAT AS A CUT-THROUGH BETWEEN I-35 AND 183. THEY ARE GOING -- INSTEAD OF GOING TO BEN WHITE, INSTEAD OF GOING TO EAST SEVENTH STREET, THEY ARE COMING THROUGH EAST CESAR CHAVEZ, IT'S A STRAIGHT THROUGH. NO HUMPS TO SLOW TRAFFIC DOWN. WE HAVE ASKED REQUESTED THEM. WE WERE TOLD THEM HAMPER THE EMERGENCY VEHICLES GETTING TO ANY SITE LOCATED WITHIN THAT AREA. THOSE ARE ALL OCCURRING RIGHT NOW, PROBLEMS WITH GENTRIFICATION, INCREASED PROPERTY TAXES, NO REAL INCREASE IN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WE WANT YOU ALL TO LOOK TO PLEASE ALLOWING THAT TO OCCUR, PLEASE ALLOWING CITY STAFF TO -- TO PULL TOGETHER PLANNING TEAM SO THAT WE CAN MEET ON A REGULAR BASIS JUST LIKE ALL OF THE OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS AND ALL OF THE OTHER AREAS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN ARE DOING. THEY ARE MEETING ON A MONTHLY BASIS WITH CITY STAFF TO PLAN OR IMPROVE, MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO THE EXISTING PLANNING TEAM. AND PLANNING NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. OURS IS THE ONLY CITY IN THE -- NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN TO NOT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THAT. IF YOU WOULD ALLOW US TO COME, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE NOT ON THE SAME SIDE, ATHLETES BECAN LOOK TO HOW TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AS WE DO FACE A LOT OF ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE HAVE CAPITAL METRO WHO IS USING EAST CESAR CHAVEZ AS A PASS THROUGH FOR THEIR BUSES THAT ARE NOT BEING USED. INSTEAD OF GOING TO SEVENTH STREET [BEEPING] THEY ARE COMING DOWN EAST CESAR CHAVEZ WHICH FURTHER COMPLICATES TRAFFIC PROBLEMS BECAUSE WE ARE ONLY ONE LANE GOING ONE WAY, ONE LANE GOING THE OTHER. WE WOULD LIKE FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN ON THE CAPITAL METRO TEAM TO LOOK TO THEM KICKING CAPITAL METRO'S EMPTY BUSES OFF OF OUR ONE LANE EACH WAY STREET. AND PUSHING THEM TO EAST SEVENTH STREET AS THEY GO HOME AT NIGHT TO THE BUS

BARN. AS A [INDISCERNIBLE] REPRESENTATIVE I AM HERE TO ASK YOU ALL TO NOT CONSIDER THE SOUTHWEST KEY FORGIVABLE LOAN THAT IS BEING PRESENTED OR FOUGHT FOR OR ADVOCATED FOR BY JUAN GARCIA AND HIS NATIONAL BOARD. AS AN ORGANIZATION WE SUPPORT PUBLIC EDUCATION BECAUSE WE SEE THAT AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL OF OUR CHILDREN TO RECEIVE THE -- THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES THAT THEY EACH NEED. WHERE HE DO NOT SEE THIS -- WE DO NOT SEE THIS AS BEING PROVIDED BY A PRIVATE SCHOOL AND WE HAVE A PROBLEM WITH AN ENTITY THAT HAS NEVER HAD EXPERIENCE IN THE EDUCATIONAL FIELD. BEING SUPPORTED IN THAT LOCATION WHERE THEY ARE -- WHERE THEY NOW HOUSE THEIR OFFICE ACOMES FROM JOHNSTON HIGH SCHOOL. I SIT ON THE JOHNSTON LEADERSHIP PLANNING TEAM AND WE HAVE A GREAT CONCERN OVER SOMEONE WHO IS IN COMPETITION WITH OUR STUDENTS. I KNOW THAT IS NOT YOUR CONCERN, EXCEPT THAT THEY ARE CONTINUING TO ASK FOR \$800,000 TO COMPLETE THEIR FACILITY THAT IS ALREADY COMPLETE.

Mayor Wynn: YOUR TIME IS --

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, I APPRECIATE YOU ALLOWING ME TO CONTINUE.

McCracken: MAYOR, YOU HAVE [INDISCERNIBLE] WITH CAPITAL METRO IS RIGHT BACK HERE, IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND VISITING WITH HER, WE CAN GET THAT PUT TOGETHER, GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT.

I APPRECIATE IT. BECAUSE I HAVE -- I HAVE PICTURES OF ACCIDENTS THAT HAVE CONTINUED TO OCCUR ALONG CESAR CHAVEZ BECAUSE OF THE EXACERBATED TRAFFIC PROBLEM.

McCracken: TINA IS GREAT TO WORK WITH. WE ALL KNOW FROM FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE HERE SO YOU ALL CAN GET TOGETHER.

COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ?

Martinez: JUST A COUPLE OF CLARIFYING POINTS.

FIRST OF ALL THE PROPOSAL WON'T BE A FORGIVABLE LOAN AT ALL. IT WILL SIMPLY BE A LOAN THROUGH THE NORMAL PROCESS THAT WE GIVE LOANS OUT TO NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING DEPARTMENT. SECONDLY, NOTHING WILL COME FORWARD UNTIL COMPLETE DIALOGUE HAS OCCURRED AND WE STARTED THIS WEEK WITH AISD BOARD MEMBERS AND SOUTHWEST KEYBOARD MEMBERS. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A SUBSEQUENT MEETING IN TWO WEEKS. CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE AND THEN WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A COMMUNITY FORUM WITH SOUTHWEST KEY AND AISD IN THE SAME FACILITY, TO CONTINUE THAT DIALOGUE FORWARD SO THAT WE CAN COME TO MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. OUT OF THE ONE MEETING THAT WE HAD THIS WEEK WITH THOSE TWO GROUPS, WE HAD A WHOLE LOT

OF MISINFORMATION DISPELLED AND A LOT OF WONDERFUL COMMENTS, GOOD CAMARADERIE, COMMUNICATION GOING ON THAT HASN'T OCCURRED TO THIS POINT. SO I'M HOPEFUL AND OPTIMISTIC THAT WE CAN COME TO A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE SITUATION WHERE THEY ARE SUPPORTIVE OF ONE ANOTHER, HELPING ONE ANOTHER IN THAT COMMUNITY AS OPPOSED TO WHAT HAS BEEN HISTORICALLY DIVIDED ISSUE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

I WOULD HOPE THAT THAT CONVERSATION WOULD OCCUR ON CITY -- AT A CITY FACILITY. NOT A SOUTHWEST KEY FACILITY BECAUSE THEN WE KNOW IT'S A NEUTRAL.

Martinez: THE MEETINGS ARE TAKING PLACE IN THIS MEETING AND THE COMMUNITY FORUM WILL TAKE PLACE IN A PUBLIC FACILITY.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER IS CAROLANNEROSE KENNEDY WELCOME, TO BE FOLLOWED BY AKWASI EVANS

THANK YOU ALL FOR HAVING ME. YOU'RE GOING TO MISS ME WHEN I'M GONE. THE BREAD YOU ATE. (music) HERE'S TO YOU, MR. ROBINSON, HEAVEN HOLDS A PLACE FOR THOSE WHO PLAY, HEY, HEY, HEY. AND -- AND GOD BLESS YOU, PLEASE, MR. ROBINSON, I HEARD WHAT YOU SAID AND DID TODAY, HEY, HEY, HEY, HEY, HEY, HEY (music)(music) THIS MESSAGE IS ADDRESSED TO ALL OF YOU, THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE EVER DROPPED OUT OF ANYTHING, ANY TIME, ANYWHERE, OR FOR ANY REASON. THE GRAD YOU ATE. FRANKLY MY DEAR I DON'T GIVE A DAM IF YOU HAVE A DIPLOMA TO INSTALL MY CEILING FANS, IF YOU HAVE A SHEEP SKIN TO TREAT MY HEART DISEASE, IF YOU HAVE A DEGREE TO MANAGE MY NURSERY, IF YOU HAVE A PEDIGREE TO BABYSIT MY SICK DOGS, IF YOU HAVE A PERMIT TO REWIRE MY HOUSE, IF YOU HAVE A LICENSE OR A LICK OF SENSE TO FATHER MY CHILD, IF -- OR IF YOU HAVE A CROCODILE SKIN TO SCHOOL MY CHIDE. THE GRAD YOU ATE. A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD BOY NAMED PATRICK, PATRICK, GAVE ME THIS MILLION DOLLAR HAIRDO AND A NAIL JOB, PINK, IN EXCHANGE FOR A PIANO LESSON. MAYBE I CAN KEEP HIM FROM DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL. THEN I FED HIM A HALF A GALLON OF BLUE BELL ICE CREAM AND TURNED HIM BACK OVER TO HIS MAMMA. A MAN TWICE MY AGE AND HALF MY SIZE HAULED SIX YARDS OF SANDY LOAM TO MY BACK 40 FOR MINIMUM WAGE. I FED HIM A GALLON OF BLUE BELL ICE CREAM AND LET HIM SLEEP ON THE COACH WITH MY OTHER POTATOES. ON MOTHER'S DAY, I OPTED TO BE MOTHERLESS. SHE'S OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC PERSUASION. IRE WISH CATHOLIC KENNEDY PERSUASION. IT TAKES A LOT OF LIQUOR TO LIKE HER. MOTHER'S DAY IS EVERY OTHER DAY. DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL IS SORROWFUL FOR THE TWO OF US. DROMING OUT OF -- DROPPING OUT OF MARRIAGE IS TRAGIC. DROPPING OUT OF A CHILD'S LIFE IS CRIMINAL. DROPPING OUT OF LIFE IS UNGODLY. THE GRAD YOU ATE. IT TAKES BRAINS AND SOMETIMES BRAWN TO DROP IN TO -- TO DROP INTO SCHOOL BUT IT TAKES BRAIN AND SOMETIMES BRAWN BUT ALWAYS BALLS TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL. YOU ARE NOT ALONE. YOU ARE A LONE STAR. I AM ON YOUR

SIDE. I WILL STAND BESIDE YOU FOREVER. I WILL STAND BEHIND YOU AND I WILL STAND UP TO YOU WHEN I CAN'T STAND YOU. THE GRAD YOU ATE. YOU CAN'T MAKE YOUR OWN RULES UNLESS AND UNTIL YOU OWN THE WHITE HOUSE, THE PRISON, THE CHURCH, THE SCHOOL, THE TRUCK, THE BARS. THE GRAD YOU ATE. THINKING -- [BEEPING] AH AND SERVING THE REUNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE UNITED STATES SURROUNDING TEXAS FOR THE FATHOMLESS OPPORTUNITIES THAT UNIVERSAL HUMANS ARE BORN WITH IS THE LEAST THAT YOU CAN DO, WHETHER YOU ARE BRAINGLESS, BRAWNLESS, SORRY, FREUDIAN OR BALLLESS, NO EXCUSES. CONGRATULATIONS 2008 GRADUATES. IN MY EYES YOU GRADUATED WHEN YOU ARE 16. TODAY IS SIMPLY CEREMONIAL. BUT I WILL NOT LET YOU GO WITHOUT A LECTURE. YOU CAN'T HAVE THE LAST WORD UNTIL YOU ARE GONE. THE LAST APRON STRING IS HANGING BY A THREAD. I KNOW THAT YOU WILL SNATCH IT WHEN YOU ARE READY. I KNOW THAT YOU WILL USE IT TO BUILD BRIDGES. I'M SORRY [BEEPING] TIME --

ACROSS OCEANS AND SKY SCRAPERS BEHIND THE CLOUDS. THE GRAD YOU ATE. DON'T FORGET TO WRITE, DON'T FORGET TO VOTE, DON'T FORGET TO SPEAK ENGLISH IN MY PRESENCE AND IN UNIVERSAL LANGUAGES DON'T FORGET TO WRITE. PLAY BALLS. NEXT SPEAKER IS AKWASI EVANS , FOLLOWED BY JENNIFER GALE.

THANK YOU, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBER ELECT AND ELECTED LEE LEFFINGWELL. MIKE MARTINEZ, JENNIFER KIM I'M SORRY THAT THE GREATER AUSTIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ATTACKED YOU. I THINK THAT YOU -- THAT YOU'VE MADE MANY FINE DECISIONS. YOU STOOD AGAINST SOME TYRANNY AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. I WILL MISS YOU. COUNCIL WOMAN DUNKERLY, COUNCILMEMBERS MCCracken AND COUNCILMEMBER SHERYL COLE. HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY. THIS IS WHEN WE HONOR OUR WAR DEAD. THE WOMEN AND MEN THAT DIED FOR US. OUT ON THE BATTLEFIELD. IT'S WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THOSE DEFEND BEING OUR FREEDOM. I WANT ALL OF THE VETERANS TO GET OVER THERE TO FRANK ERWIN, THEY ARE OFFERING A JOB FAIR UP UNTIL 3:00, RED RIVER STREET ENTRANCE, HOPEFULLY YOU CAN GET A JOB THERE TODAY. THERE WASN'T ANY COVERAGE IN THIS LAST ELECTION, THAT'S WHY PEOPLE DIDN'T COME OUT AND VOTE. NEARLY 92% OF THE VOTERS. NOT INCLUDING THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL, DIDN'T COME OUT AND VOTE IN THIS ELECTION, LOSING AN ELECTION IS A VERY PAINFUL THING TO HAPPEN. I'M LOOKING -- I'M ENDORSING CID GALINDO FOR THIS COMING ELECTION, JUNE 14th, EVERYBODY GET BACK OUT AND VOTE. I WANT TO THANK THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS AGAIN. AS YOU SEE, ALEX JONES OFTEN SAYS HOW PEOPLE THAT ARE TYRANNICAL HAVE NO TROUBLE ADMITTING IT IN THEIR OWN PAPERS IN THEIR OWN WAYS. THE AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN OR THE AUSTIN CHRONICLE REFUSED TO COVER THIS SINCE NOVEMBER. YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MURDERS, KILLINGS, RAPES, YOU DON'T HEAR ABOUT THE PEOPLE THAT COULD POSSIBLY PREVENT THEM. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK IMPACT NEWS, LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, NEWS 8 AUSTIN ESPECIALLY BECAUSE THEY ACTUALLY ALLOW A SITUATION WHERE YOU CAN DEBATE ONE ANOTHER. HOPE WE DON'T SEND THE TOWN LAKE SLAUGHTER HOUSE SHELTER OVER ON THE EAST SIDE OF AUSTIN. LET'S HOPE A.P.D. OFFICER I HOPE HE HEALS WELL AFTER BEING HIT. LIGHT RAIL, I'M GLAD

YOU ARE RECONSIDERING THAT. I WOULD LIKE A MINIMUM 14 MEMBERS ON THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. SO WE CAN BRING THAT UP FOR NOVEMBER. HAVE ANY AMOUNT OF AT LARGE, BUT AT LEAST HAVE 14 INDIVIDUAL MEMBER DISTRICTS. AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING ALMOST 11 MONTHS WITHOUT A CONTRACT WITH -- WITH CAPITAL METRO BUS OPERATORS. I ASKED THE CITY COUNCIL HOW CAN YOU PRETEND TO REPRESENT 750,000 PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN WHEN YOUR COMPLAINT CAN'T EVEN REPRESENT THE 850 BUS WORKERS, ISLAND OPERATORS, MECHANICS, A SIMPLE RESOLUTION THAT WOULD GET THAT SETTLED. HAPPY GRADUATION, STUDENTS, YOU DID A GREAT JOB.

THANK YOU, MS. GALE. COUNCIL, THAT CONCLUDES OUR GENERAL CITIZENS COMMUNICATION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, WE WILL NOW GO BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.072 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO DISCUSS REAL ESTATE MATTERS REGARDING THE GREEN WATER TREATMENT PLANT SITE AND THE AUSTIN ENERGY CONTROL CENTER SITE. WE MAY ALSO PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 TAKE UP LEGAL ISSUES REGARDING THOSE SAME TWO SITES. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION. WE HAVE NO DISCUSSION ITEMS PRIOR TO OUR 4:00 ZONING CASES OTHER THAN WE HAVE POSTED FOR A 3:00 AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING. I ANTICIPATE US CALLING THAT BOARD MEETING TO ORDER MUCH CLOSER TO 4:00, PERHAPS AT 3:45, AND THEN TAKING UP OUR ZONING CASES AT 4:00. UNTIL THAT TIME WE WILL BE IN CLOSED SESSION. IF WE END OUR DISCUSSIONS IN CLOSED SESSION, I WILL COME OUT AND RECESS THE MEETING UNTIL THE 3:45 ANTICIPATED START OF OUR HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION BOARD MEETING. WE ARE NOW IN CLOSED SESSION. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL IS STILL TECHNICALLY IN RECESS, BUT THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT, AT THIS TIME I'LL CALL TO ORDER THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION BRZ MEETING. I'LL WELCOME ALICE SHAW.

GOOD AFTERNOON, PRESIDENT WYNN. MY NAME IS MARGARET SHAW AND I'M THE TREASURER OF THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION. I'D LIKE TO OFFER TODAY THE FOUR ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA ON CONSENT. I DO HAVE WITH ITEM 1 A CORRECTION TO THE POSTING LANGUAGE, WHICH SHOULD READ TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 14TH BOARD MEETING INSTEAD OF APRIL 10TH. THE FEBRUARY 14TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE AHFC. ITEM 2 AMENDS AN EXISTING PROFESSIONAL AS MUCH AS AGREEMENT WITH LONGARO AND CLARK LLC FOR \$36,300 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AT OUR FRONTIER AT MONTANA SUBDIVISION TO THE ADJUSTMENTS ARE TO ADJUST CONSTRUCTION ISSUES RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND LOWERING OF AN BE EXISTING NATURAL GAS PIPELINE. WE DISCOVERED A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE ON THE PROJECT AND WE NEED TO LOWER THAT. ITEMS 3 AND 4 WILL RESULT IN AFFORDABLE RENTAL AND OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR 16 LOW TO MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS. AHFC IS INVESTING WITH OUR PARTNER GUADALUPE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO BUY EIGHT NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTS AND TO

PROVIDE HOME BUYER ASSISTANCE FOR ANOTHER EIGHT FAMILIES. THE PURCHASE OF THE HOMES WILL BE FOR RENTAL. EIGHT WILL BE FOR RENTAL AND EIGHT WILL BE FOR HOME OWNERSHIP. THIS CONCLUDES THE BUSINESS OF THE AHFC AND I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS Y'ALL MIGHT HAVE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. BEFORE I ENTERTAIN A COMBINED MOTION ON OUR AHFC AGENDA, WE DO HAVE ONE CITIZEN WHO WOULD LIKE TO GIVE US TESTIMONY ON TWO OR THREE OF THESE ITEMS. PAT JOHNSON, WELCOME.

COUNCIL, I WAS AT THE HOUSE AND I DIDN'T REALIZE TODAY WAS THURSDAY. WE'VE GOT PROBLEMS OUT THERE AT THE FRONTIER AT MONTANA SUBDIVISION. AND YOU KNOW, YOU TALK ABOUT THIS PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONTRACT. NUMBER ONE, PUBLIC WORKS HAS ALREADY BEEN TRYING TO GET THE ORIGINAL CONTRACTOR KEYSTONE, TO COME OUT AND FIX THAT INFRASTRUCTURE. ALL THE STREETS IN THAT SUBDIVISION, EVERY STREET IN THAT SUBDIVISION HAS FAILED. ALL THE HANDICAPPED RAMPS FLOOD OUT AND STAY FLOODED FOR DAYS AFTER A RAIN SHOWER. AND WHY THE TAXPAYERS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO FOOT THE BILL TO FIX SHABBY WORK THAT THE CONTRACTOR STILL HASN'T FIXED YET. AND THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS IT WAS FEDERAL DOLLARS THAT WAS USED TO PUT THAT INFRASTRUCTURE IN. AND NOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE ASKED TO GIVE MORE TAX DOLLARS TO A COMPANY FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES THAT WE HAVEN'T EVEN GOTTEN THE INFRASTRUCTURE FIXED CORRECTLY IN THE FIRST PLACE. AND ANOTHER ISSUE I WANT TO BRING UP TO YOU ALL SINCE SOME OF YOU ARE UNAWARE OF THIS OUT THERE, AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, WITH THAT FEDERAL HOME MONEY, BUILT TWO STORY HOUSES OUT THERE THAT ARE IN NO WAY ACCESSIBLE FOR WHEELCHAIR BOUND RESIDENTS WHEN THE STAIRS TO GET UP FROM THE GROUND FLOOR TO THE SECOND FLOOR ARE ONLY TWO FOOT WIDE. YOU'VE GOT HOUSES BUILT OUT THERE RIGHT NOW THAT ARE NOWHERE NEAR ACCESSIBLE. SO I ASK THAT EACH ONE OF YOU THAT SITS ON THAT BOARD, SINCE THAT'S WHAT Y'ALL ARE IS THE BOARD MEMBERS FOR AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, TO GO OUT THERE TO THE FRONTIER AT MONTANA AND YOU COMPARE THE HOMES THAT ARE OCCUPIED THAT WERE BUILT BY THE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY VERSUS THE HOMES THAT ARE UNOCCUPIED THAT WERE BUILT BY AN OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR THAT THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION AGREED. AND YOU TALK ABOUT THE McMANSIONS. THERE ARE TWO STORY OUTSIDES OUT THERE THAT WOULD FALL IN VIOLATION OF THE McMANSION'S ORDINANCE. AND THEN WHEN WE ASK, WELL, HOW DO YOU GET AROUND THAT? WELL, WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT BECAUSE WE'RE A SEPARATE ENTITY. I THINK THE COUNCIL NEEDS TO TAKE A STRONG LOOK AND GO OUT THERE AND LOOK AT THOSE BIG OLD DEEP CRACKS DOWN THAT STREET, THOSE STREETS OUT THERE, AND FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT'S GOING ON OVER HERE. I'M TIRED OF IT. WE ARE TIRED OF IT OUT THERE. WE'RE JUST -- JUST BECAUSE WE'RE IN SOUTHEAST AUSTIN DON'T MEAN WE HAVE TO BE TREATED LIKE PEASANTS, BECAUSE WE'RE NOT. I'M A TAXPAYER. AND I ASK THAT YOU PLEASE LOOK INTO THIS ISSUE. WHY ARE WE GIVING MORE MONEY TO A COMPANY TO OVERSEE SOMETHING THAT HAS NOTHING BEEN DONE

YET? THANK YOU, COUNCIL.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON. MS. SHAW, AS IT RELATES TO THESE POSTED ITEMS TODAY, DO YOU HAVE ANY INSIGHT INTO MR. JOHNSON'S CONCERNS?

YES, THE FIRST ITEM HE ADDRESSES IS WITH LONGARO AND CLARK. THEY ARE A DESIGN ENGINEER FIRM AND THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT TODAY, THIS 36,000, IS SIMPLY TO ADDRESS TWO ISSUES, WHICH IS THE FACT THAT WE DISCOVERED A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE THROUGH SOME OF OUR ENGINEERING DESIGN PLANS AND THEY TO CHANGE FOR DIFFERENT PHASING BECAUSE OF THAT. AND ALSO THE CHANGES IN THE FEMA FLOODPLAIN MAP ARE PART OF THE ENGINEERING ISSUES HERE. SO THESE ARE DESIGN ISSUES FOR THIS CONTRACT. I'D BE HANEY TO LOOK INTO THE -- THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD ABOUT THE FLOODING OF HANDICAPPED RAMPS AND MR. JOHNSON I'D BE HAPPY TO LOOK INTO THAT MYSELF.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. SO BOARD, I'LL ENTERTAIN A COMBINED MOTION ON OUR AHFC AGENDA ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4. MOTION MADE BY THE VICE-PRESIDENT, VEKDED BY BOARD MEMBER MCCRACKEN TO APPROVE THESE FOUR AHFC AGENDA ITEMS. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO.

THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MS. SHAW. SO THERE BEING NO MORE BUSINESS BEFORE THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION BOARD, WE NOW STAND ADJOURNED. IT IS 4:12 P.M. I'LL CALL BACK TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. WE HAVE BEEN IN RECESS FOR THE LAST 90 MINUTES OR SO. IN TIME FOR OUR 4:00 O'CLOCK ZONING ITEMS. AND WE'LL WELCOME MR. GREG GUERNSEY.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, MY NAME IS GREG GUERNSEY WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. LET ME GUIDE YOU THROUGH OUR 4:00 O'CLOCK ZONING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN RELATED ITEMS. THE FIRST ITEM I HAVE IS ITEM NUMBER 24, THIS IS CASE C-14-2008-0044. THIS IS THE WINDSOR PARK NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA VERTICAL MIXED USE. THE STAFF IS REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT OF THIS ITEM ONLY FOR ONE WEEK. THIS WOULD BE TO MAY 22nd. AND IT'S ITEM NUMBER 24. ITEM NUMBER 25, WE HAVE A DISCUSSION POSTPONEMENT ITEM FOR ITEM NUMBER 25. WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN COUNCIL PREVIOUSLY ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. AND THAT CONCLUDES THE ITEMS I CAN OFFER FOR CONSENT UNDER THIS PORTION OF OUR 4:00 O'CLOCK AGENDA.

Mayor Wynn: THEN MR. GUERNSEY A COUPLE OF NOTES. ONE IS WE ARE GOING TO -- COUNCIL'S DESIRE IS TO HAVE THE PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF THE FIVE PROPOSALS ON THE GREEN WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND THE AUSTIN ENERGY CONTROL CENTER SITES THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 22nd. WE'RE GOING TO START THOSE PRESENTATIONS AT APPROXIMATELY 1:00 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON. IT'S GOING TO EXTEND, YOU KNOW, WE THINK, INTO THE EARLY EVENING. SO I THINK THE CONCEPT WAS WE WERE GOING TO TRY TO LIMIT OUR ZONING WORK THAT EVENING. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE YOU WERE AWARE OF THAT AND STAFF IS STILL OKAY WITH POSTPONING ITEM 24, THE VMU FOR WINDSOR PARK TO THAT MEETING.

AND STAFF IS COMFORTABLE WITH THAT. WE ANTICIPATE IT BEING A CONSENT ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK.

Mayor Wynn: OKAY. GOOD.

THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED ON THIS PARTICULAR ITEM. SO STAFF WOULD STILL MAKE THAT SUGGESTION.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU FOR THAT REMINDER. WHILE I'M TALKING ABOUT UPCOMING MEETINGS THEN, DO KNOW, COUNCIL, THAT I'VE FINALLY SIGNED A LITTLE MEMO, SO WE ARE GOING TO MOVE THE SCHEDULED JUNE 19TH THURSDAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING FORWARD ONE DAY BECAUSE OF JUNE TEETH, SO WE WILL HAVE OUR JUNE 19TH CITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL NOW BE HELD A WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18th. IT MIGHT COME UP LATER ON IN SOME POTENTIAL POSTPONEMENTS.

VERY SHORTLY I WILL BE SPEAKING TO THAT.

Mayor Wynn: SO A SCHEDULED POSTPONEMENT OF ITEM NUMBER 25.

THIS IS THE ONLY DISCUSSION ITEM WE HAVE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GO THROUGH ALL THE CONSENT ITEMS WE CAN DISPENS WITH THOSE AND COME BACK TO THIS. I THINK THE APPLICANT VERY MUCH WOULD LIKE TO GO THIS EVENING WITH HIS CASE. THE PUBLIC HEARINGS HAVE BEEN CLOSED, BUT WE DO HAVE A POSTPONEMENT REQUEST. IT WOULD BE ACTUALLY THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S THIRD REQUEST I THINK THAT'S BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU. BUT I THINK THEY WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO IT. AND THE APPLICANT WOULD CERTAINLY LIKE TO SPEAK TO THAT POSTPONEMENT.

Mayor Wynn: THEN WITHOUT OBJECTION, COUNCIL, I GUESS I WOULD WANT TO GRANT THE NEIGHBORHOOD A CHANCE TO AT LEAST MAKE THEIR CASE FOR A POSTPONEMENT. IF SOMEBODY WANTS TO COME FORWARD.

THIS IS ON ITEM NUMBER 25, CASE C-14-2007-0264. THIS IS THE TPWD 6.6 TRACT AT 100 EAST 50th STREET. I BELIEVE THERE IS SOMEONE HERE FROM THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

ASSOCIATION, AND MIKAIL IMMEDIATE ON BEHALF OF THE OWNER IS HERE TO SPEAK.

Mayor Wynn: WELCOME. AGAIN, THE DISCUSSION HERE IS ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT TO POSTPONE, NOT THE MERITS OF THE CASE ITSELF.

RIGHT. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, WE'RE NOT GOING TO ASK FOR A POSTPONEMENT AT THIS TIME. WE ARE GOING TO ASK THAT YOU DO LOOK AT THE -- CONSIDER THE THREE REQUESTS WE HAD IN THE LETTER TO YOU REGARDING THE POSTPONEMENT AND TRY TO GET THOSE STUDIES DONE AHEAD OF ANY SITE PLANNING IN IT BEFORE WE DO JUMP INTO SOME MISTAKES ON THE PROJECT. YOU'VE GOT AALL OF OUR BACKGROUND MATERIAL. THERE'S NO SENSE IN CARRYING IT ON ANY FURTHER WITH YOU ON THAT.

Mayor Wynn: FAIR ENOUGH. THANK YOU, SIR. QUESTION OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, COUNCIL? THEN OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA ON THESE CASES WHERE WE'VE ALREADY CONDUCTED AND CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE TO POSTPONE ITEM NUMBER 24 TO MAY 22nd, 2008. I'LL ENTERTAIN THAT MOTION. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER COLE, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL TO POSTPONE ITEM NUMBER 24 TO MAY 22nd, 2008. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION TO POSTPONE PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO.

LET ME CONTINUE WITH THE 4:00 O'CLOCK ZONING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENT ITEM WHERE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS ARE OPEN AND THERE'S POSSIBLE ACTION. NUMBER 26 IS C-14-2007-0259. THIS IS THE JOHNSTON -- GOVALLE JOHNSTON TERRACE COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA VERTICAL MIXED USE. STAFF WOULD REQUEST A POSTPONEMENT OF THIS ITEM TO YOUR JUNE 18th MEETING, GIVEN THE MAYOR'S COMMENTS A FEW MINUTES AGO. THIS WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON MAY 27TH. ITEM NUMBER 27 IS CASE C-14-2007-0262. THIS IS A CENTRAL AUSTIN COMBINED NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING OPT IN, OPT OUT PROCESS. STAFF RECOMMENDS A POSTPONEMENT OF THIS ITEM TO JUNE 18th. AGAIN, THE PLANNING COMMISSION WON'T BE REVIEWING THIS PARTICULAR ITEM UNTIL THEIR MEETING OF MAY 27S. AND THEN ITEM NUMBER 28 IS CASE C-14-2008-BE 0051, WESTGATE GARDEN HOME AT 3004 AFTONSHIRE WAY. THIS IS A ZONING CHANGE FROM FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT ZONE TO GO TOWNHOUSE CONDOMINIUM DISTRICT ZONING. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS TO GRANT THE TOWNHOUSE CONDOMINIUM DISTRICT ZONING WITH CONDITIONS. AND THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READINGS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. SO COUNCIL, OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA ON THESE CASES WHERE WE'VE YET TO CONDUCT THE PUBLIC HEARING WOULD BE TO

POSTPONE ITEMS 26 AND 27 TO OUR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18th, 2008 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. AND TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS CASE NUMBER 28. I'LL ENTERTAIN THAT MOTION. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER COLE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS OFFICE? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I GUESS THAT BRINGS US BACK TO ITEM NUMBER 25. THIS IS CASE C-14-2007-0264. THIS IS THE TPWD OR TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT 6.6 TRACT AT 100 EAST 50th STREET. THIS IS TO ZONE THE PROPERTY FROM UNZONED TO MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTS LOW DENSITY NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT. AND TO MULTI-FAMILY MODERATE HIGH DENSITY NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT. THE COUNCIL APPROVED FIRST READING OF THIS ITEM ON APRIL 24TH, 2008. THE CASE IS -- THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY USED BY THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE FOR A TRAINING FACILITY AND SOME STORAGE. IT'S LOCATED ON THE SOUTHSIDE OF 51st STREET AND EXTENDING SOUTH ALONG THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD. THE ADJACENT LAND USES TO THE EAST ARE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD AND SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES TO THE NORTH, BEING A CEMETERY TO THE WEST, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PROPERTY USED FOR ATHLETIC FACILITIES, TENNIS COURTS AND FIELD SPORTS. AND TO THE SOUTH IS MORE LAND OWNED BY THE STATE AND THE UNIVERSITY. I THINK AT THIS TIME I'LL PAUSE. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, THE APPLICANT DOES REQUEST SOME ADDITIONAL CHANGES TO CLARIFY THE ORDINANCE THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU. AND I CAN READ THROUGH THOSE CHANGES, MAYOR, OR I CAN ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO COME FORWARD AND TO CLARIFY WHY THEY'RE MAKING SOME SUGGESTION TO THESE CHANGES. STAFF BELIEVED BELIEVES THAT A LOT OF THESE ARE JUST CLARIFICATIONS OR FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ACTUALLY ON THE PROPERTY. LET ME JUST READ THROUGH THOSE AND THEN YOU CAN ASK QUESTIONS OF THE APPLICANT. THE FIRST CHANGE, AND THESE ARE IN YELLOW, ON YOUR DAIS --

Mayor Wynn: AND MR. GUERNSEY, WE CHARACTERIZE THESE AS ALL ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND/OR FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

THAT'S RIGHT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE, I CAN RUN THROUGH THOSE QUICKLY.

Mayor Wynn: PLEASE DO.

THE FIRST ONE IS TO MAKE SURE IT'S UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PROPERTY OWNER COULD DO MULTI-FAMILY REZRESIDENCE AS A PERMITTED USE ON THIS PROPERTY. THE SECOND WOULD BE THAT THERE'S A MINIMUM OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENT OF AT LEAST 200 SQUARE FEET. AND THIS WOULD BE -- LET ME MAKE SURE I'M TALKING ABOUT THE RIGHT TRACT. ON TRACT 1. THE NEKS PART WOULD BE THE MINIMUM SITE AREA REQUIRED FOR RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNIT WOULD BE 2400 SQUARE FEET FOR A TWO BEDROOM OR LARGER UNIT. 2,000 SQUARE FEET FOR A ONE BEDROOM UNIT OR 1600 SQUARE FEET FOR AN EFFICIENCY

UNIT. SO DEPENDING UPON THE TYPE OF UNIT THAT THEY PROPOSE, THERE'S A MINIMUM LAND AREA THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED. IT WOULD NOT ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNER TO EXCEED THE LIMITS THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE APPROVED EITHER IN THE NUMBER OF BEDROOMS OR THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS ON THIS PROPERTY, BUT FOR THE PORTION OF THE PROPERTY THEY PLAN TO DEVELOP THESE WOULD BE ADDITIONAL SIZE LIMITATIONS THAT THEY MUST HAVE IN ORDER TO BUILD A TWO BEDROOM OR A ONE BEDROOM OR AN EFFICIENCY. GOING ON, ITEM NUMBER 6, THIS WILL BE FOR BUILDING STRUCTURE CONSTRUCTED WITHIN 360 FEET OR LESS FROM THE NORTH PROPERTY LINE AND WITHIN 130 FEET OF THE EAST PROPERTY LINE. THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT IS 50 FEET. EVEN IF THE HEIGHT OF THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT PERMITTED UNDER COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS WOULD RESTRICT THAT. AND THIS WOULD BE FOR THE AREA IF YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE EXHIBIT, WE HAVE ON YOUR MONITOR AND BEFORE THE PUBLIC ON THE MONITOR THE AREA THAT'S CLOSEST TO 51st STREET FOR THE FIRST 360 FEET, WHICH WOULD BE JUST OVER A BLOCK, TO THE SOUTH, GOING SOUTH, AND THE AREA MOOCHG WEST OF THE AREA 130 FEET, SO THAT WOULD BE THE AREA IF YOU GO TO A POINT 130 FEET WEST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, THAT WOULD BE ABOUT THE DEPOSITSTH OF THOSE LOTS GOING TOWARDS THE TENNIS COURTS. WITHIN THAT PARTICULAR AREA THEY CANNOT EXCEED A HEIGHT OF I BELIEVE IT'S 50 FEET. AND THIS WAS AN AREA THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD RECOMMENDED THAT THEY COULD HAVE A HIGHER HEIGHT. AND THEY HAVE ACTUALLY SUGGESTED AND BROUGHT BEFORE YOU I THINK A CONCEPTUAL PLAN THAT SPOKE TO THAT. BUT ON THE OTHER TRACT THAT THERE IS A MINIMUM OPEN SPACE PER DWELLING UNIT OF 100 SQUARE FEET. AND THEN FINALLY THERE IS AGAIN A LIMITATION ON THE SQUARE FOOTAGE THAT THE MINIMUM SITE AREA PER RESIDENTIAL UNIT IS 1,200 SQUARE FEET FOR A TWO BEDROOM OR MORE DWELLING UNITS. ONE THOUSAND SQUARE FEET OF SITE AREA FOR ONE BEDROOM DWELLING UNIT AND 100 SQUARE FEET OF LAND AREA OR SITE AREA FOR AN EFFICIENCY UNIT. AND THAT WOULD BE REFERRING TO -- THAT WOULD BE REFERRING TO THE TRACT 2. SO YOU'VE GOT CLARIFICATION AVAILABLE BY FAMILY, CLARIFICATION OF WHAT THE OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE. I GUESS A FURTHER RESTRICTION ON WHAT THE MINIMUM LAND AREA IS PER BEDROOM COUNT WITHIN A UNIT, AND AGAIN, NOT ALLOWING ANY ADDITIONAL UNITS BEYOND WHAT YOU'VE ALREADY APPROVED AND NOT ALLOWING ANY ADDITIONAL UNITS OR BEDROOMS BEYOND WHAT YOU'VE ALREADY APPROVED IN THE ORDINANCE. ON REQUIRES FEEDING. -- ON FIRST READING.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. QUESTIONS FOR MR. GUERNSEY?
COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

Leffingwell: SO IN EFFECT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS THAT OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENT PER BEDROOM OR PER SIZE UNIT, EFFICIENCY, ONE OR TWO BEDROOM, ACTS LIKE A BEDROOM CAP?

THE OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENT IS PER RESIDENTIAL DWELLING, WHETHER IT'S AN EFFICIENCY OR ONE BEDROOM OR TWO BEDROOM. SO THAT WOULD NOT CHANGE, BUT

THE -- SPEAKING TO THE MINIMUM SITE AREA, THAT'S JUST AN AGGREGATE AT AMOUNT OF LAND AREA YOU MUST HAVE.

Leffingwell: BUT IF YOU HAVE A REQUIREMENT FOR MORE OPEN SPACE, THAT MEANS YOU CAN HAVE LESS UNITS. RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT. AS YOU ADD THE OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENT IN, THEY HAVE TO HAVE THAT AREA LEFT OPEN AS OPEN SPACE. NOW, THAT COULD BE EITHER ON THE GROUND. IT COULD ALSO BE USED BY PORTIONS OF BALCONES CAN COUNT PARTIAL CREDIT TO THAT, BUT DOES AFFECT AN OVERALL NUMBER OF UNITS YOU CAN HAVE ON THE PROPERTY.

Leffingwell: OKAY. I'M GOING TO ASK THE APPLICANT AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME HOW THAT IS CALCULATED. IF THERE'S SOME ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF BEDROOMS THAT YOU COULD HAVE WITH THESE PARTICULAR RESTRICTIONS. YOU HAVE TO GIVE US SOME FEEL FOR IT.

THE APPLICANT AGENT IS HERE. THEY CAN SPEAK TO -- STAFF DOES NOT KNOW THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF BEDROOM TYPES THAT THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE OF ONE BEDROOMS, EFFICIENCIES, BUT THIS WOULD CERTAINLY PLACE LIMITATIONS ON WHAT THEY COULD BUILD.

Mayor Wynn: COUNCILMEMBER, I WOULD SUGGEST THIS WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO HAVE THE APPLICANT COME FORWARD.

COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL, NICKEL IMMEDIATE WITH BROWN MCCARROLL REPRESENTING THE APPLICANT. WE HAVE TWO THINGS GOING ON IN THIS ORDINANCE, ACTUALLY THREE THAT SPEAK TO YOUR QUESTION. WHAT WILL REMAIN WILL BE A CAP, A MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BEDROOMS THAT'S ACTUALLY SPECIFIED IN THE ORDINANCE. WE'RE FOR THE ASKING TO DO ANYTHING TO CHANGE THAT. THERE ALSO IS A NUMBER OF UNITS SPECIFIED AS A MAX WHICH CAN EXCEED 140 ON THE SITE, 139 ACTUALLY. AND THEN THE OPEN SPACE, -- ACTUALLY, IT'S NOT OPEN SPACE YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT. THE SITE AREA REQUIREMENTS, WHICH WILL DRIVE HOW MANY AND WHAT TYPE OF UNITS YOU COULD HAVE A TWO BEDROOM OR LARGER, IT WOULD ALLOW US TO HAVE ABOUT THE SAME NUMBER OF UNITS. I CALCULATE ABOUT 141 UNITS, BUT REMEMBERING THAT WE'RE STILL CAPPED BY THAT 140.

> HAVE YOU DONE LIKE 50/50, 50 PERCENT ONE BEDROOM AND 50% TWO BEDROOM. IT'S NOT TOO HARD. I HAVE A CALCULATOR. I DID NOT DO THAT. I DIDN'T BREAK IT DOWN THAT WAY BECAUSE WE -- AND GREG AND I HAD ABOUT AN HOUR LONG DISCUSSION ABOUT IT THIS MORNING BECAUSE WE ARE MAINTAINING THAT MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BEDROOMS AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF UNITS. SO WE DIDN'T BREAK IT DOWN SINCE THE TYPES OF UNITS ARE UNCERTAIN, WE DIDN'T BREAK IT DOWN THAT WAY YET. BUT IF YOU WOULD LIKE

FOR ME TO, I COULD.

Leffingwell: IN YOUR OPINION WOULD THAT RESULT IN LESS TOTAL UNITS IF YOU HAD THAT KIND OF A MAKEUP?

ASSUMING WE DID ALL TWO OR LARGER -- TWO BEDROOM OR LARGER UNIT, IT COULD RESULT IN FEWER UNITS WHICH IS WHY MR. GUERNSEY'S COMMENT, A RESTRICTION IN A SENSE. THAT WAS ALWAYS WHAT ANTICIPATED. IT JUST NEVER MADE IT INTO THE ORDINANCE AND SO HENCE OUR REQUEST FOR THE CHANGE. BUT IT COULD RESULT IN FEWER UNITS.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF? COUNCILMEMBER COLE.

I HAVE A QUESTION OF THE APPLICANT. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE EXPRESSED BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND OTHERS ABOUT THE TRAFFIC IMPACT. HAVE YOU LOOKED INTO THAT OR CAN YOU SPEAK TO THAT?

WE ACTUALLY -- YOU ALL ASKED YOUR STAFF TO LOOK INTO THAT AND YOUR STAFF DID SOME COUNSEL ON 51st STREET LAST WEEK, I BELIEVE. BUT WE ALSO RETAINED A TRAFFIC CONSULTANT, A TRAFFIC ENGINEER, HDRWHM TO ACTUALLY DO AN ANALYSIS OF THE TRAFFIC SITUATION. WE PROVIDED THAT TO YOU ALL. IT WAS PRETTY QUICK FOR THEM TO ACTUALLY GET IT DONE IN THAT TIME FRAME, BUT THEY DID GET IT DONE TODAY. YOU ALL HAVE A COPY OF IT. AND THEIR OVERALL ASSESSMENT WAS THAT THE INTERSECTION OF ROWENA AND 51st STREET IS OPERATING AT AN A, WHICH IS GREAT, LIKE A REPORT CARD. THAT'S VERY GOOD. THE INTERSECTION, THE FIVE-WAY STRANGE INTERSECTION UP THE STREET AT DUVAL IS OPERATING AT A C, WHICH IS ALSO AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL. AND THEY LOOKED AT THAT INTERSECTION, I WANT TO POINT OUT, BECAUSE WE KEPT HEARING FROM THE NEIGHBORS THAT THE TRAFFIC HAS GOTTEN TREMENDOUSLY WORSE BECAUSE OF THE MUELLER DEVELOPMENT. SO WE WANTED TO LOOK AT THAT INTERSECTION GOING TOWARD MUELLER AS WELL. AND THEN THEY ALSO CONCLUDED THAT THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT 140 UNITS WAS NOT GOING TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE TRAFFIC SITUATION. AND CATHY IS HERE IF YOU WILL LIKE TO ASK HER MORE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW THEY PERFORMED THAT ANALYSIS. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] THE ITEMS I READ THROUGH WERE ONE, THREE, FOUR, SIX, SEVEN AND EIGHT, BUT DID NOT INCLUDE TWO AND FIVE.

DID NOT INCLUDE THE, WHAT WE SEE IN RED, THE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE.

THAT'S RIGHT.

STILL INCLUDES --

THE MAXIMUM NUMBERING 40 AND STILL LIMITS THE MAXIMUM OF 99 ON NUMBER FIVE BUT

THE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY.

COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

ON THE REQUIRED GUEST PARKING, ARE YOU ABLE TO MAKE AN ESTIMATION ON THE REQUIRES ON THAT.

DID SPEAK TO GEORGE REGARDING THE ADDITIONAL PARKING AND WHAT GEORGE HAS INDICATED TO ME AND I BELIEVE HAS ALREADY BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THE APPLICANT, THERE WOULD BE AN INCREASE OF 10% OF WHAT WOULD BE THE REQUIRED PARKING ON THE PROPERTY, AND I DON'T KNOW IF HE WANTS TO ACTUALLY COME UP AND AGREE TO THAT, BUT WHEN HE SUGGESTED, AFTER LOOKING AT THIS, INSTEAD OF JUST HAVING 100% OF THE REQUIREMENT AND WHATEVER MODIFICATIONS ARE UNDER THE CODE THEY WOULD PROVIDE 110% OF WHAT THE REQUIREMENT WOULD 110% OF WHAT IS REQUIRED BY THE CODE, INCLUDING THE GUEST PARKING REQUIREMENT.

THAT WOULD BE THE GUEST PARKING, WOULD BE THE ADDITIONAL 10%.

THAT'S CORRECT, COUNCIL MEMBER. WE HAD BEEN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT MADE SENSE, GUEST PARKING IS ALREADY REQUIRED AS PART OF THE CALCULATIONS THE CITY COMES UP WITHIN THE RATIOS, WE WERE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT MADE SENSE AND WE THOUGHT ABOUT MAYBE SAYING SOME CERTAIN NUMBER OF SPACES OF OUR REQUIRED PARKING SHALL UNASSIGNED SPACES THAT ANYBODY COULD USE BUT HE FELT LIKE A MORE REASONABLE THING TO DO AND BETTER PROTECTION FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD BE TO INCREASE THE PARKING REQUIREMENT AND WE DO AGREE TO THAT ADDITIONAL 10%.

THAT IS ABOUT 15 TO 20 ADDITIONAL SPOTS?

IT WILL DEPEND ON HOW MANY UNITS WE ULTIMATELY END UP WITH, BUT I GUESS, GEORGE, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE CALCULATED HOW MANY SPACES THAT WOULD BE, I HAVE NOT. AND UNTIL, HONESTLY, WE GET THE SITE PLAN DONE, WE WON'T KNOW WHAT THE PARKING REQUIREMENT WILL BE.

IT DEPENDS ON HOW MANY UNITS.

AND THE TYPE. THAT IS THE OTHER THING THAT IS THE UNKNOWN.

SOME HAVE TWO SPACES REQUIRED. HOW DOES IT WORK IF YOU COUNT ONE OF THE PARKING SPACES AS A TANDEM SPACE.

IF YOU HAVE A SITUATION WHERE YOU'VE GOT A GARAGE SPACE AND YOU COUNT THE SPACE BEHIND THE GARAGE, THE TANDEM SPACE, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE GUEST

PARKING IN ADDITION TO THAT ALREADY. THAT'S NOT ANYTHING WE WOULD HAVE TO ADD, THAT IS ALREADY A REQUIREMENT.

OKAY. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD TO THAT, MR. GUERNSEY?

I WAS JUST GOING TO ADD THE NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES THAT ARE ULTIMATELY REQUIRED WILL DEPEND ON THE MIX OF THE UNIT TYPES. FOR ONE EFFICIENCY YOU ARE REQUIRED 10 SPACES SO IF YOU ARE JUST LOOKING AT LITERALLY A 10% ADDITION. AND THEN AS THE BEDROOMS INCREASE, IT GOES UP FROM ONE 1/2 SPACES FOR A REGULAR ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT AND THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL HALF SPACE REQUIRED FOR BEDROOMS ATTACHED TO THAT UNIT.

THAT IS WHY I SAID IT SEEMS LIKE SOMEWHERE IN THE RANGE OF 15, 20, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

DEPENDING ON WHAT THEIR BEDROOM NUMBER IS.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? THOUGHTS, MOTIONS.

MAYOR.

MAYOR WYNN: COUNCIL MEMBER COLE.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: I'VE SEEN THIS PROPERTY AND AM PLEASED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA AND ITS LOCATION SO I'M GOING TO MAKE A MOTION WE ADOPT THE CHANGE, THAT WE ADOPT, WE MOVE TO THE ADDITIONAL CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE APPLICANT, AND THAT WE ALSO DELETE THE PROHIBITION AGAINST THE ACCESS FOR PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLISTS AND WE'VE HEARD FROM QUITE A FEW PEOPLE ABOUT THAT AND I AGREE WITH THAT. AND THEN THAT WE ADD THE PROVISION THAT STAFF AND THE APPLICANT SOUGHT FOR ADDITIONAL PARKING, THE 10% ADDITIONAL PARKING.

MAYOR WYNN: MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE. SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KIM TO APPROVE ON SECOND AND THIRD READING FOR ITEM NUMBER 25 ACTION TAKEN ON FIRST READING WITH THE ADDITIONAL CHANGES AS READ INTO THE RECORD BUT MR. GUERNSEY, DELETING THE BIKE PAD ACCESS PROHIBITION, AND INCLUDING THE ADDITIONAL PARKING REQUIREMENT AS OUTLINED. FURTHER COMMENTS? DOES THAT WORK AS A MOTION, MR. GUERNSEY?

STAFF HAS ENOUGH DIRECTION, WE CAN FINALIZE THE ORDINANCE.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING FOR, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY

AYE. AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0.

THANK YOU, MAYOR. THAT CONCLUDES THE ZONE CHANGE ITEMS.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. SO COUNCIL, THEREFORE, THERE BEING NO MORE BUSINESS PRIOR TO OUR 5:30 LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS, WHICH TYPICALLY WE DO IN RECESS ANYWAY, THIS TIME I WILL RECESS THE MEETING OF THE AUSTIN COUNCIL. IT IS ABOUT 4:37 P.M., AND I ANTICIPATE US COMING BACK TO ORDER AS SOON AFTER 6:00 AS POSSIBLE FOR US TO CONDUCT JUST A COUPLE OF BRIEF PUBLIC HEARINGS THIS EVENING. WE'RE NOW IN RECESS.

JOINING US IS RAVNER SALINAS. SINCE 2002, HE HAS BEEN PERFORMING PROFESSIONALLY AND IN 2005 HE RELEASED A SELF-TITLED CD. AUSTIN VENUES HE HAS PERFORMED IS THE SHORELINE GRILL, THE LADY WILD FIRE CENTER AND OTHERS. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING RAVNER SALINAS [APPLAUSE] [MUSIC PLAYING] TEST TEST [MUSIC PLAYING] AMERICORPS. [APPLAUSE]

I THINK THAT IS THE CALMEST THIS BUILDING HAS BEEN WITH THAT MANY FOLKS IN IT. I NEED YOU BACK EVERY WEEK ON THURSDAY. THANKS VERY MUCH. THAT WAS BEAUTIFUL. RAVNER. IF YOU COULD TELL US WHERE YOU HAVE A WEB SITE WHERE WE CAN GET AN ALBUM AND MAYBE WHERE YOU'RE PLAYING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

YOU CAN BUY A RECORD FROM ME TODAY. [LAUGHTER]

OR YOU CAN GO TO CDBABY.COM AND GET THEM ON-LINE RETAILER. I DO MOSTLY PRIVATE EVENTS. THE RESTAURANT CIRCUIT IS NOT WORTH MY TIME, YOU KNOW. I'M SERIOUS, YOU CAN'T SURVIVE ON IT. SO I HAVE TO DO WHAT I HAVE TO DO, SO CORPORATE EVENTS, PRIVATE EVENTS IS PRETTY MUCH HOW I MAKE MY MONEY, AND TEACHING.

WELL, I HAVE A PROCLAMATION THAT I WANT TO READ AND PRESENT TO YOU. MAYOR -- BE IT KNOWN 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 CAPITAL OF THE WORLD, THEREFORE, I, WILL WYNN, DECLARE MAY 125, 2008 AS RAVNER SALINAS DAY IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. THANK YOU FOR BEING WITH US TODAY. [APPLAUSE]

COME ON BACK IN HERE, GET YOU ON TV.

MAYOR WYNN: SO WHILE RAVNER BREAKS DOWN ON THAT SIDE OF THE ROOM WE'LL USE THIS PODIUM TO DOTO DO OUR WEEKLY PROCLAMATIONS. WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY EACH WEEK TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO FOLKS, THANK YOU, GOOD-BYE, TO RAISE AWARENESS OF CERTAIN EVENTS AROUND TOWN. OUR FIRST PROCLAMATION IS

REGARDING AMERICORPS WEEK. I'LL READ THE PRACTICAL NATION OH MAITION, TRAVIS HENRY WILL SAY A FEW WORDS. WE'RE JOINED BY SOME GREAT AMERICORPS VOLUNTEERS. SO I'LL READ THE PROC AND WE'LL HERE FROM TRAVIS. PROCLAMATION READS AUSTIN BENEFITS FROM THE WORK OF NEARLY 300 AMERICORPS VOLUNTEERS WHO COMMIT A YEAR OF THEIR LIVES TO COMMUNITY SERVICE IN EXCHANGE FOR EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND OPPORTUNITIES. AND WHEREAS SOME AMERICORPS PROGRAMS IN AUSTIN FOCUS ON HELPING TO END HOMELESSNESS, HELPING KIDS IN SCHOOL, TEACHING CHILDREN TO READ AND WRITE, AND PROVIDING AFTER-SCHOOL CARE. AND WHEREAS LOCAL AMERICORPS VOLUNTEERS ALSO HELP PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY NATURAL DISASTERS, HELPED THOSE WITH BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT FIND JOBS AND IMPROVE HIKING, WALKING TRAILS IN OUR AREA. SO NOW THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE GREAT CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO URGE ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN ME IN RECOGNIZING THESE YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR HARD WORK ON BEHALF OF OUR COMMUNITY AND DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MAY 10 THROUGH 17, 2008 AS AMERICORPS WEEK IN AUSTIN. SO PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING TRAVIS HENRY AND SAYING THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS TO A BUNCH OF FINE YOUNG PEOPLE. [APPLAUSE]

HI, MY NAME IS TRAVIS HENRY, AND I HAVE THE FORTUNATE OPPORTUNITY TO GET RAISED IN THIS GREAT CITY AND THEN COME BACK AND DO SERVICE TO THIS GREAT SERVICE, IMPROVING THE COMMUNITY, WHICH IS WHAT AMERICORPS TRIES TO DO. SINCE 1993 BILL CLINTON SIGNED UP INTO OPERATION AND WE'VE BEEN DOING THE SAME THING SINCE THEN. LIKE THE MAYOR SAID, WE HAVE SEVERAL DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE WORK WITH, AND DEVELOP THE COMMUNITY AND ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY AS WELL. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR, AND I WANT YOU TO HAVE A GREAT WEEK, AND SOMEDAY COME HELP US AND SERVE THIS COMMUNITY AS WELL.

MAYOR WYNN: GLADLY. GLADLY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

HERE COMES THE NEXT ONES WITH THEIR HELMETS. WELCOME TO YOU-ALL. MY NEXT PROCLAMATION IS REGARDING NATIONAL BIKE MONTH AND THEN TOMORROW HAPPENS TO BE BIKE TO WORKDAY, AND SO I'M GOING TO READ OUR PROCLAMATION AND JOE RAMOS, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, OUR DEPARTMENT THAT GENERALLY IS IN CHARGE OF BUILDING THE LANCE ARM STRON CROSSTOWN BIKEWAY, FREE STRIPING BIKE LANES, BUILDING SIDEWALKS AND OTHER FACILITIES, BICYCLEISTS USE, AND I'LL JUST NOTE THAT SO TOMORROW IS BIKE TO WORKDAY, AND I THINK OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE -- WE'RE HAVING A CONTEST IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN TO SEE WHICH CITY EMPLOYEE WILL COMMUTE THE FURTHEST FROM HOME TOMORROW. I DON'T THINK I'M GOING TO WIN IT BECAUSE LAST YEAR ON NATIONAL BIKE TO WORKDAY, I WALK TO WORK MOST DAYS, LIKE TODAY, SO LAST YEAR I WALKED TO WORK AND SAID, OH, IT'S BIKE TO WORKDAY, SO I WALKED BACK HOME AND GOT MY BIKE AND THEN I BIKED HERE. NOT VERY FAR TO COMMUTE. SO I DON'T THINK I'M IN THE RUNNING.

BUT I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION ABOUT NATIONAL BIKE MONTH AND HOPEFULLY JOE WILL ALSO TALK ABOUT TOMORROW BEING NATIONAL BIKE TO WORKDAY. SO PROCLAMATION READS, THE CITY OF AUSTIN ENCOURAGES BIKING AS A HEALTHY POLLUTION-FREE FORM OF TRANSPORTATION THAT HELPS PRESERVE OUR QUALITY OF LIFE. AND WHEREAS MAY IS DESIGNATED AS NATIONAL BIKE MONTH TO PROMOTE AND CELEBRATE THE JOYS AND BENEFITS OF BICYCLING FOR TRANSPORTATION AND RECREATION, WE ENCOURAGE MOTORISTS TO DRIVE EXTRA CAREFULLY WHILE THEY SHARE THE ROAD WITH OUR CYCLISTS AND WHEREAS AUSTIN HAS BEEN NAMED AA SILVER LEVEL BY THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLEISTS AND FRI, MAY 16 IS NATIONAL BIKE TO WORKWEEK, SO THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY, 2008 AS NATIONAL BIKE MONTH AND FRIDAY, MAY 16 AS BIKE TO WORKDAY IN AUSTIN, AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MR. JOE RAMOS. JOE? [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MAYOR. BIKE MONTH IS HELD EVERY MAY. EVENTS INCLUDE BIKE TO WORKDAY, SPORT RIDES, RECREATION RIDES, BICYCLE PARADES AND THIS YEAR A BICYCLE SUMMIT SPONSORED BY THE CAPITAL AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION. I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE AUSTIN CYCLING ASSOCIATION FOR COORDINATING BIKE MONTH ACTIVITIES AND BIKE TO WORKDAY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. WE ALSO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BICYCLE ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE LEAGUE OF BICYCLING VOTERS, THE PLEASE BE KIND TO CYCLISTS CAMPAIGN, THE YELLOW BIKE PROJECT AND MEMBERS OF THE STREET SMARTS TASK FORCE HERE WITH US TODAY. [APPLAUSE] AS MAYOR WILL WYNN MENTIONED, BIKE TO WORKDAY IS TOMORROW, MAY 16. PLEASE, AS YOU'RE DRIVING AROUND TOWN, PLEASE TAKE EXTRA CAUTION TO LOOK FOR THE CYCLISTS THAT MAY BE PARTICIPATING IN OUR CONTEST THROUGHOUT THE CITY. WE'RE VERY DEDICATED TO THIS EFFORT, AND WE HOPE TO HAVE A LARGE AMOUNT OF PARTICIPATION. I JUST FOUND OUT FROM ANOTHER DIRECTOR BACK HERE THAT THEY ARE ALSO GEARING UP FOR THE CHALLENGE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR PERSONNEL ARE ALSO INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT. THE IDEA BEHIND THIS EFFORT IS TO AVOID CONGESTION, REDUCE YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT AND RIDE YOUR BIKE TO WORK. TOMORROW WE'LL BE ABLE TO ENJOY A FREE BREAKFAST ACROSS THE CITY AT VARIOUS BUSINESSES PROVIDING BIKE TO WORK BREAKFAST STATIONS, SO PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THOSE. I'D ALSO LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PROGRAM FOR THEIR HARD WORK. WE HAVE A VERY DEDICATED STAFF THAT IS VERY AMBITIOUS AND DEDICATED TO THE EFFORT. I'M PROUD TO BE A PART OF BEING A SILVER-LEVEL BICYCLE-FRIENDLY CITY DESIGNATED BY THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLEISTS FOUNDED IN 1880 AND HOPE TO ACHIEVE A GOLD-LEVEL STATUS IN COMING YEARS. LARRY, YOU RECENTLY ASKED AT A COUNCIL MEETING WHAT WE WERE DOING TO PROMOTE BICYCLING AT THE CITY. JUST SO YOU ARE AWARE, DON'T BE SURPRISED TO SEE ME RIDING UP TO CITY HALL ON A BICYCLE. AT THE ONE TEXAS CENTER, THE WATERSHED PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW DEPARTMENT HAS STARTED A CHECK-OUT PROGRAM WHERE THEY HAVE BICYCLES FOR STAFF TO USE TO DRIVE AROUND DURING BUSINESS HOURS, AND YES, I'VE BEEN A

PARTICIPANT IN THAT AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT IT IS QUICKER FOR ME TO BIKE TO CITY HALL THAN IT IS TO DRIVE. SO I MAKE THE EFFORT, AND IT'S ALL THANKS TO FOLKS LIKE THESE THAT ARE DEDICATED TO THE EFFORT. SO ONCE AGAIN, I'D LIKE TO THANK THEM AND LOOK FORWARD TO ACHIEVING A GOLD-LEVEL STATUS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

WELCOME. HOW ARE YOU-ALL?

MAYOR WYNN: WELCOME. HOW ARE YOU? WELCOME. HOW ARE YOU-ALL? WELL DONE. IN A SOMEWHAT RELATED PROCLAMATION, THIS NEXT ONE IS REGARDING THE CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY. AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, WITH THE WORK FORCE OF 11, ALMOST 12,000 PEOPLE, WE NEED TO, AS WE SHOULD, FOCUS A LOT ON THE COST OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FOR OUR EMPLOYEES, AS DO ALL EMPLOYERS. AUSTIN, AS A CITY, AS AN EMPLOYER, BENCHMARKS RELATIVELY WELL IN THAT WE SPEND PROBABLY ABOUT \$7,000 PER EMPLOYEE IN TOTAL SORT OF HEALTH-RELATED BENEFITS, DO THE MATH. THAT'S \$70 MILLION A YEAR OF TAX MONEY SPENT ON -- APPROPRIATELY, ON THE HEALTH CARE OF OUR EMPLOYEES. BUT AGAIN, SIMILAR SIZE COMPANIES SPEND THE SAME AMOUNT. IN OTHER WORDS, WE CAN'T DO MUCH ABOUT THE COST OF HEALTH CARE IN THIS COUNTRY. WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE MUCH OF AN IMPACT ON THE COST OF CERTAIN PROCEDURES. WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE MUCH OF AN IMPACT ON THE COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS. WHAT WE CAN HAVE AN IMPACT ON IS OUR NEED FOR HEALTH CARE, BECOMING MORE AWARE OF THE NEED TO BE MORE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE, TO WATCH YOUR NUTRITION, TO THINK ABOUT, YOU KNOW, BODY MASS AND YOUR WEIGHT, TO THINK ABOUT AVOIDING SOME RISKY BEHAVIORS, MOST NOTABLY, COST EFFECTIVELY TOBACCO USE. AND SO THE CITY OF AUSTIN, JUST THREE YEARS AGO, MAYBE, CITY MANAGER, TOBY FUTRELL, UNDER HER, WE DID A PILOT PROGRAM OF A PE DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND HAD ESSENTIALLY CITY EMPLOYEES, YOU KNOW, VOLUNTEER, BUT WERE GIVEN FLEX TIME BY THE MANAGER TO TAKE A LITTLE BIT OF TIME DURING THE COURSE OF THEIR WEEK AND HAVE A STRUCTURED PROGRAM. WE HAD SOME -- SOME COACHES THAT CAME IN AND ESSENTIALLY HELPED PEOPLE REALIZE RELATIVELY HOW EASY IT CAN BE TO BEGIN A PROGRAM OF BECOMING A LITTLE MORE ACTIVE PHYSICALLY AND ALSO BECOME MUCH MORE AWARE OF YOUR NUTRITION. THE STATS -- I'M NOT SURE IF CHRISTIE OR SHERRI MY GIVE SOME. THE STATS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. WE NOW HAVE A COUPLE, THREE YEARS OF DATA ON THE PRODUCTIVITY OF THOSE -- DATA ON THE PRODUCTIVITY OF THOSE CITY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE GONE THROUGH OUR P.E. PROGRAM. THEY'RE MORE PRODUCTIVE. THEY HAVE LESS SICK TIME, AND ESSENTIALLY THEY ARE SPENDING LESS, COSTING LESS ON HEALTH CARE SERVICES. SO EVERYBODY BENEFITS. TAXPAYER BENEFITS, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, FRANKLY, A BUNCH OF INDIVIDUALS BENEFIT BY BEING MORE FIT, HEALTHIER AND ULTIMATELY MORE PRODUCTIVE, DAIRY SAY, HAPPIER. WE ARE GOING TO PROCLAIM THE CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY. I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION AND I THINK CHRISTIE WILL SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE PROGRAM - - KRISTY HANSEN WILL SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND THE EFFICACY OF WHAT WE'VE BENEFIT DOING. THE PROCLAMATION READS, BECAUSE A HEALTHY WORK FORCE REDUCES COST AND INCREASES PRODUCTIVITY, THE CITY OF AUSTIN PROVIDES

AVENUES FOR EMPLOYEES TO IMPROVE THEIR PERSONAL HEALTH AND FITNESS THROUGH THE MAYOR'S FITNESS COUNCIL, THE PE. E DEPARTMENT AND THE HEALTH PLUS PROGRAM. WHEREAS THE PE DEPARTMENT HAS PROVIDED MORE THAN 1400 EMPLOYEES OPPORTUNITIES TO RUN, WALK, BIKE AND SWIM AT WORK SITE CLASSES AND HEALTH PLUS PROVIDES WELLNESS, EDUCATION, EXERCISE CLASSES, HEALTH SCREEN AND FLEWFLU SHOTS FOR MORE THAN 7,000 EMPLOYEES EVERY YEAR, AND THE EFFORTS OF ALL THESE GROUPS WITH THE HELP OF DEPARTMENT WELLNESS LIAISONS HAS ENABLED THE CITY OF AUSTIN TO STAY ON PACE TO ACHIEVE OUR GOAL OF BECOMING THE FITTEST CITY IN THE COUNTRY BY 2010. SO THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 21, NEXT WEDNESDAY, 2008, AS CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY AND AS CHRISTIE COMES UP TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE PROGRAM, PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING AND THANKING A BUNCH OF GOOD, FINE, CITY EMPLOYEES. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MAYOR WYNN. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT CITY EMPLOYEES ARE TAKING CHARGE OF THEIR HEALTH NOW MORE THAN EVER. CULTURE IS EMERGING IN OUR WORK FORCE THANK TO THE STRONG SUPPORT OF WELLNESS PROGRAMS PROVIDED BY OUR CITY LEADERSHIP. MAYOR WYNN, CITY MANAGER MARC OTT, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER RUDY GARZA AND ACTING DIRECTOR OF HUME-ROWE RESOURCES KAREN SHARP ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING EMPLOYEES THE TOOLS THEY NEED FOR LEADING HEALTHY YEAR LIFE-STYLES. TOGETHER THE HEALTH PLUS WELLNESS PROGRAM AND THE CITY'S PE DEPARTMENT LED BY SHERRI BAILEY ARE LED TO PROVIDING EMPLOYEES FOR EMPLOYEES TO EAT WELL, GET FIT, QUIT TOBACCO AND MANAGE OR PREVENT THE CHRONIC DISEASES THAT HURT THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE AND HARM THE PRODUCTIVITY OF OUR WORK FORCE. THE WIDE VARIETY OF PROGRAMS WE OFFER AND THE REACH WE HAVE ACHIEVED ALLOWED THE CITY TO BE CERTIFIED AS A PARTNER WITH THE MAYOR'S FITNESS COUNCIL, PARTNER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM LAST YEAR. MOST IMPORTANTLY, HOWEVER, ARE THE PEOPLE WHO HELP MAKE ALL OF THIS HAPPEN. IN A WORK FORCE AS LARGE, DIVERSIFIED AND SPREAD OUT AS THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IT TAKES THE SUPPORT OF MANY EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEERS TO REACH EVERYONE WHO WORKS FOR THE CITY. THE HEALTH PLUS WELLNESS LIAISONS WHO CURRENTLY WORK IN AND REPRESENT 20 DIFFERENT CITY DEPARTMENTS ARE CHARGED WITH COORDINATING AND PROMOTING PREVENTIVE HEALTH SCREEN, WORKSHOPS, GROUP EXERCISE CLASSES, EDUCATIONAL WELLNESS SEMINARS AND OTHER KEY PROGRAMS FOR THEIR FELLOW EMPLOYEES. P.E. CAPTAINS ARE INSTRUMENTAL IN MOTIVATING THEIR WALKING, RUNNING, BIKING OR SWIMMING GROUPS AND CHEERING THEM TO THEIR SUCCESS. WITHOUT THE EFFORT AND DEDICATION OF THESE EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEERS AND THE COMMITMENT AND SUPPORT FROM OUR CITY LEADERSHIP, THE HEALTH PLUS WELLNESS PROGRAM AND THE P.E. DEPARTMENT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE. I KNOW BOTH SHEREE BAILEY AND I FEEL THE GREATEST SENSE OF GRATITUDE TO EVERY SINGLE INDIVIDUAL THAT KEEPS OUR PROGRAMS GOING. SO NEXT WEEK, ON MAY 21, CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY, WE CAN ALL FEEL PROUD AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT WE ARE NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT EMPLOYEE HEALTH

AND FITNESS BUT THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY DOING MANY THINGS ABOUT IT. THANK YOU.
[APPLAUSE]

MAYOR WYNN: I WANT A T-SHIRT.

YOU GOT TO EARN IT, MAYOR. [LAUGHTER]

MAYOR WYNN: OKAY. THIS SORT OF POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE FOR ME, GOING TO DO A CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS. SUZANNA CHOFFEL, I THOUGHT I DISCOVERED HER ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO OR SO, AND WE GOT HER TO COME DOWN AND PLAY A GIG AT OUR WEEKLY LIVE MUSIC CEREMONY HERE AT THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING, AND NOW SHE'S GONE ON TO SOME FUN, GREATER, BETTER EVEN MORE PROFITABLE THINGS THAN PLAYING AT THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING. [LAUGHTER] SO I HAVE AN OFFICIAL CITY OF AUSTIN CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS THAT I'LL READ AND HOPEFULLY SUZANNA WILL SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT HER BUDDING CAREER AND HOW WE CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AND FOLLOW IT. THE CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS READS, AS THE FIRST PRIZE WINNER IN THE SEASON 4 POP COMPETITION ON FAME CAST, SUZANNA CHOFFEL IS DESERVING OF PUBLIC ACCLAIM AND RECOGNITION. MORE THAN 400 BANDS NATIONWIDE PARTICIPATED IN THIS ON-LINE COMPETITION AND HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF VOTES WERE CAST WORLDWIDE BY REGISTERED FAME CAST USERS. FAME CAST FOUNDER AND CEO KENT SAVAGE CALLED SUZANNA A RISING STAR. BASED ON THE OVERWHELMING FEEDBACK FROM FANS AROUND THE WORLD. THE CITY IS PLEASED AS FAME CAST TO SHINE A LIGHT ON ONE OF OUR LOCAL FAVORITES AND SUCH A GREAT TALENT. THE LIVE MUSIC CAPITAL OF THE WORLD IS VERY PROUD OF SUZANNA. WITH THIS CERTIFICATE WE'RE PLEASED TO EXTEND OUR CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR \$10,000 FIRST PRIZE CASH MONEY, AND TO -- AND TO WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR MUSIC CAREER PRESENTED THIS 15TH DAY OF MAY, YEAR 2008, SIGNED BY ME MAYOR WYNN BUT ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE ENTIRE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, A CERTIFICATE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO MS. SUZANNA CHOFFEL. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT FEELS REALLY GOOD TO HAVE WON THIS AWARD, NOT JUST FOR THE NICE LITTLE CHUNK OF CHANGE IT'S GIVEN ME AS A MUSICIAN, BUT ALSO THE RECOGNITION AND KIND OF MORE FANS, GETTING MORE FANS, AND I JUST REALLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT THAT AUSTIN HAS GIVEN ME AS WELL AS THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE MAYOR, OF COURSE, AND ROSE RENAS, THE -- MUSIC AT THE AUSTIN VISITOR AND CONVENTION CENTER. AS A TOKEN OF APPRECIATION FOR THE AUSTIN SUPPORT, MAYOR WYNN I WANTED TO PRESENT YOU WITH A COUPLE OF EVENTS, A T-SHIRT THAT SAYS LIVE MUSIC JUNKY, AUSTIN, TEXAS. I FIGURE IT'S PRETTY APPROPRIATE. AND THE OFFICIAL SUZANNA CHOFFEL T-SHIRT.

MAYOR WYNN: VERY GOOD.

EXACTLY. I ALREADY GAVE ROSE HERS SO NOW YOU CAN BE STYLING. SO -- ANYWAY,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE RECOGNITION, AND IF YOU WANT TO FIND OUT WHO ARE ABOUT MY MUSIC YOU CAN GO TO SUZANNA CHOFFEL.COM. SO THANK YOU, MAYOR. I APPRECIATE IT.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

MAYOR WYNN: OKAY. THIS IS A COMPLICATED ONE. OUR FINAL ONE IS REGARDING PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK, SO I'M JOINED BY CITY MANAGER MARC OTT. I'LL READ A PROCLAMATION, SAY A FEW WORDS, THEN MARK WILL TAKE OVER AND I GUESS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM PERHAPS EACH OF OUR CITY DEPARTMENTS COME UP AND GET -- GET THEIR CERTIFICATE. I'LL JUST SAY THAT I NOW HAVE BEEN UP ON THE DAIS FOR EIGHT YEARS, COMING FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR. I'LL GO BACK TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR NEXT YEAR. BUT, YOU KNOW, IT'S BEEN A REMARKABLE EXPERIENCE ON MANY FRONTS BUT MOST NOTABLY, REALLY, IS THE LEVEL OF PROFESSIONALISM, EXPERTISE, THE PASSION THAT OUR WORK FORCE HAS. IT'S THE UNCOMMON WEEK I DON'T FIND MYSELF MEETING A CITY EMPLOYEE AND ASKING MYSELF QUIETLY, YOU KNOW, WHY IS -- WHY ARE YOU HERE? YOU KNOW, YOU COULD BE DOING -- YOU COULD BE DOING SOMETHING ELSE, PROBABLY GETTING PAID A LOT MORE MONEY, OUT IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, BUT ULTIMATELY IT'S ABOUT, YOU KNOW -- HOPEFULLY THE REWARD OF THE WORK, YOU KNOW, SATISFACTION OF A JOB WELL DONE, THE CAMARADERIE THAT EXISTS IN THIS FINE ORGANIZATION, THE FACT THAT WE DO GET TO HELP, YOU KNOW, CREATE AND MELD, I THINK, THE GREATEST CITY IN THE COUNTRY, AND SO IT'S VERY APPROPRIATE THAT WE TAKE TIME, WE DON'T DO IT ENOUGH, BUT TAKE TIME EVERY SO OFTEN TO RECOGNIZE CITY EMPLOYEES FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK. SO HE'LL READ THE PROC AND THEN MARK WILL TAKE OVER AND I GUESS PROBABLY GO THROUGH THE LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND THE REPRESENTATIVES. SO THE PROCLAMATION READS: HARDWORKING CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEES PROVIDE A NUMBER OF VALUABLE SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF OUR CITY IN ESSENTIAL AREAS SUCH AS HEALTH, RECREATION, UTILITIES, LIKE LAST NIGHT, TRANSPORTATION, LIBRARIES, PLANNING, ZONING, PUBLIC SAFETY, COURTS, AND WHEREAS THEY ARE A CREDIT TO THEIR PEERS WHO WORK IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR TO DIVIDE PROVIDE THE DIVERT SERVICES DEMANDED BY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AT THE LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LEVELS, AND WHEREAS THIS WEEK IS AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO CITY EMPLOYEES WHO OFTEN GO UNRECOGNIZED FOR THEIR SERVICE AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE QUALITY OF LIAR IN THIS GREAT CITY. SO THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MAY 12 THROUGH 16, 2008 AS PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK IN AUSTIN, BUT MORE NOTABLY, I'M PREPARED TO NOW STEP ASIDE AND HAND OUT SOME CERTIFICATES OF CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION TO A BUNCH OF WELL DESERVING CITY EMPLOYEES. FIRST PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING OUR CITY MANAGER, MR. MARC OTT. [APPLAUSE]

WELL, GOOD EVENING, AND THANK YOU, MAYOR, FOR THAT INTRODUCTION. IT'S REALLY AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION

CEREMONY THAT WE'RE HAVING THIS EVENING TO RECOGNIZE CERTAINLY OUR MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES, AND THAT IS OUR GREAT EMPLOYEES. AND SO, YOU KNOW, YOU THINK ABOUT PUBLIC SERVICE. CERTAINLY WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT, YOU KNOW, IT'S REALLY -- IT'S REALLY A CHOICE THAT YOU MAKE TO BE IN THIS PROFESSION. I THINK IT'S -- YOU KNOW, IT'S -- FOR ME IT'S REALLY A CONDITION OF THE HEART THAT BEGAN SOME 26 -- 26 YEARS AGO. AND IT'S -- IT'S ALWAYS BEEN REWARDING TO ME BECAUSE I RECOGNIZE THE FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE OF WHAT WE DO AS PUBLIC SERVANTS, AND OF COURSE THAT IS WE AFFECT THE EVERYDAY LIVES OF PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES COMMUNITY, AND I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT. SO FOR ME IT IS -- IT IS WORK THAT COMES FROM THE HEART, AND I SUSPECT THAT THOSE THAT WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE HERE ARE IN THIS PROFESSION AS PUBLIC SERVANTS FOR SIMILAR KINDS OF REASONS. SO IT IS A GREAT HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO READ THE FOLLOWING NAMES, AND I'D LIKE TO HAVE THESE FOLKS COME UP AND RECEIVE THEIR CERTIFICATE AND RECOGNITION FROM ME AND THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL MEMBERS THAT ARE ASSEMBLED HERE. THE FIRST ONE IS FROM THE AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER, JIMMY BATTS. [APPLAUSE] NEXT FROM AUSTIN ENERGY KEITH JOHNSON. [APPLAUSE] FROM THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY, DENISE AVERY. [APPLAUSE] FROM AVIATION, RODNEY GORRIDGE. I HOPE I GOT THAT RIGHT. [APPLAUSE] FROM THE -- FROM THE CITY AUDITOR, JASON HABABI. [APPLAUSE] FROM THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, JANETTE BETONETTE. CLOSE? [APPLAUSE] COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC -- PUBLIC INFORMATION, RENE TANS. [APPLAUSE] FROM COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES, TONY BURKE. [APPLAUSE] FROM ECONOMIC GROWTH AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES, ROSY JALILI. [APPLAUSE] THIS NEXT ONE, MY GOODNESS, FROM -- FROM EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, MARCO ZI ZISENIOR? [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU.

FROM THE BUDGET OFFICE, JUSTIN GOMBOBAI? [APPLAUSE] FROM BUILDING SERVICES, MARCOS MARTINEZ. [APPLAUSE] FROM COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT, MY FAVORITE NAME, MARGARET HAA. [APPLAUSE] FROM THE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, JOSEPH GONZALES. [APPLAUSE] FROM FLEET SERVICES, JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ. [APPLAUSE] FROM PURCHASING, BENITA GARCIA. [APPLAUSE] FROM TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS, MS. DALE THOMPSON. [APPLAUSE] FROM THE TREASURY OFFICE, THERESA LLOYD. [APPLAUSE] FROM OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, JAMES DOYLE. [APPLAUSE] FROM GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ROD ELLIS. [APPLAUSE] FROM HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, SHERYL SANDLING. [APPLAUSE] FROM HUME-ROWE RESOURCES KIONG CHUNG. [APPLAUSE] FROM THE LAW DEPARTMENT, KATHY CURTIS. [APPLAUSE] FROM OUR LIBRARY, BARRY MILLER. [APPLAUSE] FROM MANAGEMENT SERVICES, APRIL SEDFORT. [APPLAUSE] FROM MUNICIPAL COURT, OLGA DELGADO. [APPLAUSE] NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HARLEY WILLIAMS. [APPLAUSE] NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING, GRANT FISHER. [APPLAUSE] OFFICE OF CONTRACT AND LAND MANAGEMENT, FRANK MAIZE. [APPLAUSE] OFFICE OF POLICE MONITOR, ALLISON WHITE. [APPLAUSE] PARKS AND RECREATION RUSSELL WISEMAN.

[APPLAUSE] AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, SERGEANT TIMOTHY CRESTA. [APPLAUSE] PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HEELVIN SHAW. [APPLAUSE] PUBLIC WORKS, LAKE MATEO. [APPLAUSE] MINORITY BUSINESS RESOURCES HERMET -- MOTWONI. [APPLAUSE] SOLID WASTE SERVICES, MARCUS LYONS. [APPLAUSE] LIELIONSWATERSHED PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW, JOHN PERALES. [APPLAUSE] AND LAST BUT CERTAINLY NOT LEAST, COMMUNITY COURT, BERNARD WILSON. [APPLAUSE] PLEASE JOIN ME IN RECOGNIZING ALL OF OUR GREAT AUSTIN CITY EMPLOYEES. [APPLAUSE] [CHEERING] AND I THINK WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO GET A QUICK GROUP SHOT OF EVERYBODY, IF WE CAN GET TWO OR THREE ROWS, AND DO KNOW THAT THERE IS A RECEPTION UPSTAIRS ON THE MAYOR'S BALCONY AND PLEASE JOIN US UP THERE FOR A QUICK RECEPTION AFTER A GROUP PHOTO.

3, 2, 1. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE]

NO. 29, WHICH IS CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADDITION OF NEW NEIGHBORHOODS TO THE RESTRICTED PARKING AREA MAP, FRONT AND SIDE YARD PARKING, PARKING, -- I HAVEN'T DONE THAT YET. SO MR. GUERNSEY, TURN IT OVER TO YOU.

ITEM NO. 29 -- 32 POSTPONEMENT?

DUNKERLEY: STICK WITH THIS ONE. THIS IS 29.

SURE.

DUNKERLEY: OKAY.

IF THERE ARE PEOPLE HERE FOR 32 --

DUNKERLEY: I THINK COUNCIL MEMBER --

MCCRACKEN: IF THERE ARE PEOPLE HERE FOR 32 --

DUNKERLEY: OKAY. ARE WE GOING TO CANCEL OR POSTPONE? POSTPONE ITEM 32. MY QUESTION TO CITY ATTORNEY IS DO WE HAVE TO VIDEOS ON THAT POSTPONEMENT?

DAY CERTAIN, YES.

WHAT DAY SHALL WE POSTPONE IT TO?

IF YOU HAVE A RECOMMENDATION. I'D HAVE TO ASK THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW ABOUT THAT POSTPONEMENT DAY. WAIT JUST ONE MOMENT

AND WE'LL GRAB JESSICA.

THERE ARE A COUPLE OF OPTIONS. THE TASK FORCE PROBABLY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONVENE TO DISCUSS THOSE ITEMS UNTIL NEXT WEEK, AND THEN BRING IT BACK TO PLANNING COMMISSION UNTIL POSSIBLY JUNE 10 IS THE NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING, TO CONSIDER THOSE. SO YOU HAVE A COUPLE OF OPTIONS. YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THE CURRENT ITEMS THAT HAVE RECEIVED BROAD -- BROAD SUPPORT, OR YOU CAN DELAY ACTION ALL THE WAY UNTIL JUNE 19. I BELIEVE --

18TH.

THE 18TH, AND WAIT UNTIL THAT POINT TO BEGIN CONDUCTING PUBLIC HEARING. SO IT'S AT YOUR DISCRETION ON HOW YOU'D LIKE TO PROCEED. IT WILL PROBABLY BE EASIEST TO JUST WAIT UNTIL THE END IF YOU WANT TO GET EVERYTHING TOGETHER AT ONE TIME, OR AGAIN, YOU CAN MOVE FORWARD AND THEN WHEN WE'RE READY TO BRING BACK THE OTHER REMAINING ITEMS, THEN WE CAN BRING THEM BACK THROUGH THE PROCESS.

LET ME ASK YOU -- I THINK -- WHAT WE HEARD THIS MORNING WOULD BE A MOTION -- AND I'LL TAKE A CRACK AT IT, THE MOTION -- MAKE SURE WE GET IT RIGHT, MOVE TO POSTPONE TO JUNE 18 AND TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL DIRECTION AS PART OF THIS POSTPONEMENT, WHICH IS TO REMOVE ANY CONSIDERATION OF CHANGING THE JURISDICTION OF THE RESIDENTIAL DESIGNING COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION, TO REMOVE THE EXEMPT -- THE PROPOSED STAFF RECOMMENDED EXEMPTION RELATING TO 1500 SQUARE FEET OR LESS BEING REMOVED, OR EXEMPTED, AND TO REMOVE THE BOUNDARY MODIFICATIONS SO THAT THE TASKS -- THE TASK FORCE CAN TAKE THOSE UP. AND WITH THAT -- THAT -- I THINK THAT CAPTURES THE DIRECTION WE HEARD WITH THE -- WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE McMANSION TASK FORCE. IS THAT --

I'LL SECOND THAT. AND COULD I ADD THAT THE DIRECTION ALSO WOULD BE TO TAKE THE ENTIRE SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS BACK THROUGH BOTH -- NOT NECESSARILY THEY HAVE TO DISCUSS THEM. THEY COULD ESSENTIALLY TAKE THEM ON CONSENT, BUT AT LEAST THEY WOULD HAVE THE LATITUDE TO DEAL WITH THE OTHERS TOO.

DUNKERLEY: THERE'S BEEN A MOTION AND A SECOND TO POSTPONE ITEM NO. 32 TO -- UNTIL JUNE THE 18TH. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

AYE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK YOU FOR REMINDING US THAT SOME FOLKS COULD GO HOME. BACK TO ITEM 29, MR. GUERNSEY.

GUERNSEY: THANK YOU, MAYOR PRO TEM AND COUNCIL. ITEM NO. 29 IS CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL NEW NEIGHBORHOODS

TO THE RESTRICTED PARKING AREA MAP, AND THIS WOULD BE FOR THE FRONT AND SIDE YARD PARKING AREAS. WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 22 NEIGHBORHOOD AREAS THAT ARE SEEKING THIS DESIGNATION THAT WOULD RESTRICT PARKING TO PAVED PARKING SPACES IN THE FRONT YARD OR TO DRIVEWAY AREAS. THEY HAVE BEEN SENT NOTICES TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS SEEKING THEIR INPUT ON THIS MATTER AND THEY'VE SENT THESE APPLICATIONS TO US. THIS ORDINANCE, IF IT WERE APPROVED, WOULD REQUIRE THAT A NOTICE BE SENT TO PROPERTY OWNERS. THE CITY OF AUSTIN UTILITY CUSTOMERS, ALSO TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING CONTACT TEAMS AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS, BOTH IN SPANISH AND IN ENGLISH, WITHIN 30 DAYS OF ITS APPROVAL. I DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE ANY SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM THIS EVENING.

DUNKERLEY: DO WE HAVE ANY SIGNED UP THAT DO NOT WISH TO SPEAK?

GUERNSEY: ON ITEM 29?

WE DO HAVE ONE SPEAKER -- WE DO HAVE ONE SPEAKER WHO WANTS TO SPEAK THERE, AND THAT IS JOHN LUDIN.

OKAY. I DO HAVE A QUESTION. [INAUDIBLE]

DUNKERLEY: OH, OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ALL RIGHT. IF THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS, ARE THERE ANY COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL OR DO WE HAVE A MOTION? OKAY. WELL, THE MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND TO APPROVE ITEM 29.

ALL THREE READINGS?

DUNKERLEY: ON ALL THREE READINGS. THERE'S BEEN A MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCCrackEN WITH A SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL. THERE ARE NO OTHER QUESTIONS. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

DUNKERLEY: AYE. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL GO ON TO ITEM 29, WHICH WOULD CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING AREAS IN WHICH ADDITIONAL DISTANCE REGULATIONS WILL BE APPLIED TO MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS.

THANK YOU, MAYOR PRO TEM AND COUNCIL. IT IS CORRECT WE HAVE ADDITIONAL AREAS THAT WOULD BE ADDED FOR THE REGULATIONS THAT WOULD FURTHER RESTRICT MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS, AND THESE WOULD BE VENDORS, AND LET ME EXPLAIN A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT THIS ORDINANCE DOES. FOR THE AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS AND BY CONTACT TEAMS, IT WOULD PROVIDE THAT A MOBILE FOOD ESTABLISHMENT COULD NOT OPERATE WITHIN 50 FEET OF PROPERTY ZONED SF 5 OR MORE RESTRICTIVE, AND THAT WOULD BE BASICALLY SINGLE-FAMILY

HOMES, DUPLEXES, TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL-TYPE USES, OR WITHIN 50 FEET OF ONE OF THOSE USES THEMSELVES. NOT NECESSARILY EVERYTHING THAT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO, LET'S SAY COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS, BUT EVEN A HOUSE THAT MIGHT BE ON A PROPERTY ZONED OFFICE, IT WOULD RESTRICT DEVELOPMENT OF A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR BEING AT LEAST 50 FEET AWAY. BETWEEN 50 FEET AND 300 FEET AWAY, WHICH WOULD BE ABOUT A LOT WIDTH TO MAYBE A BLOCK AWAY, THEN A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR COULD OPERATE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6:00 A.M. AND 10:00 P.M., AND THEN BEYOND 300 FEET THEY WOULD BE RESTRICTED TO HOURS OF 6:00 A.M. TO 3:00 A.M. IN THE MORNING. AND THAT'S WHAT THIS ORDINANCE WOULD PROPOSE TO DO. WE HAVE SENT NOTICES IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH TO ALL THOSE MOBILE FOOD VENDORS THAT ARE LICENSED WITH THE APPROPRIATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SO THEY HAVE BEEN MADE AWARE OF THIS. ALSO TO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS, AND THERE'S ALSO BEEN A NEWSPAPER NOTICE PUBLISHED OF THE HEARING THIS EVENING. WE HAVE RECEIVED MANY CALLS FROM MOBILE FOOD VENDORS MAKING INQUIRIES ABOUT HOW THE ORDINANCE WOULD APPLY OR HOW IT WOULD AFFECT THEIR BUSINESS. SOME OF THOSE WERE CALLERS THAT WERE IN SPANISH AND SOME IN ENGLISH. WE'RE NOT AWARE OF ANY ONE VENDOR COMING FORWARD, UNLESS THERE'S ONE UP HERE THIS EVENING, THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO THE ORDINANCE.

DUNKERLEY: OKAY.

GUERNSEY: AND AS I SAID BEFORE, THE ONLY CHANGE TO THE ORDINANCE WOULD LIMIT THE DISTANCE THAT A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR WOULD OPERATE FROM A SINGLE-FAMILY USE, RESIDENTIAL TYPE OF USE, OR A PROPERTY ZONED SF 5 OR MORE RESTRICTED, FOR THE FIRST 50 FEET, AND THEN THE HOURS OF OPERATION BEYOND. AND I'LL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE THEM.

DUNKERLEY: DO WE HAVE ANY SPEAKERS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK OR WHO HAVE REGISTERED AT ALL?

WE HAVE SIX PEOPLE WHO HAVE REGISTERED, TWO THAT WANT TO SPEAK AND FOUR THAT DO NOT. ALL ARE IN FAVOR OF IT.

DUNKERLEY: OKAY. DO YOU WANT TO READ FIRST THE NAMES THAT DID NOT WANT TO SPEAK?

YES, SCOTT JOHNSON, JOAN GIBBS, BONY TRUK, A LEASHA HATHAWAY ARE IN FAVOR AND DO NOT WISH TO SPEAK. JAVIER TRULI ONO IS THE FIRST SPEAKER. [IN SPANISH]

MY NAME IS JAVIERA TRUJILLO. I AM ONE OF MANY VENDORS (THROUGH/THROUGH INTERPRETER) MY PRESENCE HERE IS TO ANSWER THE CALL YOU GUYS MADE TO US US. [IN SPANISH]

ABOUT THE REGULATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN APPLIED TO THIS NEW PROCESS. IN THE PAST WE HAVE HAD TWO REUNIONS, GET-TOGETHERS. WE HAVE NOTICED THAT THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN A FEW MODIFICATIONS, IN WHICH WE ARE IN AGREEMENT. WITH THE PETITION THAT YOU WILL ALLOW US TO WORK AS LONG AS WE COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU ARE ASKING OF US. IN REGARDS TO THE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT HAPPY WITH THE WAY WE EARN OUR LIVING, WE ARE ASKING THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO LET US WORK JUST TO GIVE US A CHANCE AND LET US KNOW WHAT IS IT THAT IS AFFECTING THEM AND LET US KNOW HOW TO FIX IT. THE IDEA -- OUR IDEA OF THE WORKERS IS NOT TO HURT ANYBODY. IF WE DO IT UNCONSCIOUSLY, WE WOULD ASK YOU THAT YOU NOTIFY US SO WE CAN FIX THE PROBLEM. IF WE ARE COMMITTING ANY FAULT, WITH THE CITY, WITH OUR NEIGHBORS OR WITH ANYBODY WHO IS NOT HAPPY WITH IT, JUST LET US KNOW. WE JUST WANT OUR WORK HONESTLY, EARN AN HONEST LIVING. THANK YOU FOR INVITING US AND TAKING US INTO ACCOUNT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ. SPESH SPISH.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ, AND I REPRESENT THE RESTAURANT EL BASTOR. AND THE QUESTION I AM ASKING MYSELF, WHY -- WHY ARE YOU REQUESTING SO MANY PERMISSIONS AND THERE ARE SO MANY RESTRICTIONS FOR RESTAURANTS? [IN SPANISH] (THROUGH INTERPRETER) THERE'S TOO MANY TACO STANDS AROUND. I DON'T KNOW WHY THERE'S TOO MANY TACO STANDS AROUND, AND THAT'S THE PROBLEM, ONE OF THE PROBLEMS. [IN SPANISH] TOO MANY TACO STANDS, TOO MANY PERMITS --

YOU'RE GIVING TOO MANY PERMITS, AND THIS IS ONE OF THE PROBLEMS. THE PEOPLE WHO WORK WELL AND HONESTLY LIKE WE DO HAVE MANY PROBLEMS. THANK YOU.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IS THAT ALL THE SPEAKERS?

THAT IS ALL THE SPEAKERS.

DUNKERLEY: OKAY. I WOULD ASK THE COUNCIL IF THEY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS.

IF IT'S ANY HELP, THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT NECESSARILY LIMIT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VENDORS THAT OPERATE WITHIN THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S HEALTH JURISDICTION OR ZONING JURISDICTION. THIS PARTICULAR ITEM THAT'S BEFORE COUNCIL THIS EVENING JUST LIMITS THE ABILITY FOR A VENDOR TO OPERATE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES OR DUPLEXES OR TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USES, WITH RESPECT TO DISTANCE, FOR THE FIRST 50 FEET OR LIMITS THE HOURS WITHIN -- WHICH THEY CAN OPERATE BETWEEN 50 FEET AND 300 FEET. SO THEY WOULD HAVE TO STOP THEIR BUSINESS OR SHUT DOWN THEIR BUSINESS AT 10:00 P.M. IN THE EVENING. BUT THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT CHANGE

THE EXISTING REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE BY OUR CODE TODAY. I'LL ALSO NOTE THAT IF COUNCIL WOULD APPROVE THIS, THERE IS A 60-DAY PERIOD WHICH THE ORDINANCE WILL TAKE EFFECT TO ALLOW TIME FOR SOMEONE WHO IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE TO SEEK A LOCATION THAT WOULD COMPLY. SO THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT GO INTO EFFECT WITHIN TEN DAYS, AS IT NORMALLY WOULD WITH MOST CITY ORDINANCES. IT TAKES TWO MONTHS.

DUNKERLEY: OKAY. THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? DO WE HAVE A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ITEM NO. 30? COUNCIL MEMBER MIKE MARTINEZ MAKES THAT MOTION. COUNCIL MEMBER COLE IS THE SECOND. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

DUNKERLEY: AYE. ITEM NO. 31 IS A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FULL-PURPOSE ANNEXANNEXATION OF THE ST. DOMINICK ANNEXATION AREA.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I'M VIRGINIA COLLIER FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. THIS IS THE FIRST OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE ST. DOMINICK ANNEXATION AREA. THE SECOND HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT THURSDAY, MAY 22, HERE AT 6:00. ORDINANCE READINGS ARE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 18. THIS AREA INCLUDES APPROXIMATELY 45 ACRES LOCATED IN WILLIAMSON COUNTY AT 9400 NINA AVENUE, APPROXIMATELY THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF PARMER LANE AND LAKELINE BOULEVARD. THIS AREA IS CURRENTLY UNDEVELOPED AND THE OWNER'S ADJACENT PROPERTIES ARE IN THE CITY'S FULL PURPOSE JURISDICTION. THE PROPERTY OWNERS REQUESTED FULL PURPOSE -- TO FACILITATE ZONING OF THIS SITE. IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS THE CITY WILL PROVIDE FULL MUNICIPAL SERVICES UPON ANNEXATION AND COPIES OF THE SERVICE PLAN ARE AVAILABLE THIS EVENING. AT THIS TIME I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE ON ITEM 31.

DUNKERLEY: ANY QUESTIONS? ALL RIGHT. ARE THERE ANY SPEAKERS? OKAY. DO I HAVE A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING? THERE'S BEEN A MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ, A SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCCrackEN TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

DUNKERLEY: AYE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ITEM 33 --

MAYOR PRO TEM, DID YOU INTEND TO ACT ON THE ORDINANCE TOO? CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING -- OKAY, SORRY.

DUNKERLEY: THERE'S NOT AN ORDINANCE AT THIS TIME. THANKS FOR WATCHING, THOUGH.

ITEM NO. 33, CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 6 OF THE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 25-1 RELATED TO INTERESTED PARTIES, NOTICE AND PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURES.

GOOD EVENING, COUNCIL, MAYOR PRO TEM. MY NAME IS KATHY HOT WITH WATERSHED PROTECTION AND DOASMGHT REVIEW. THIS ITEM IS PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 21.1 REGARDING NOTIFICATION. CURCHT CURRENTLY CODE PROVISIONS THAT ARE ESTABLISHING THE CRITERIA REGARDING WHO CAN BECOME AN INTERESTED PARTY AND WHO GETS NOTICE DO NOT MATCH. THIS CODE AMENDMENT WILL IMPROVE THE NOTIFICATION PROCESS AND WILL KEEP MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY INFORMED OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT NEAR THEIR HOMES AND THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS. I THINK YOU-ALL HAVE A BLUE PACKET BEFORE YOU, MAYBE. FIRST OF ALL, WHEN IS NOTIFICATION REQUIRED? NOTIFICATION IS PROVIDED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE A BOARD, COMMISSION OR CITY COUNCIL. ADDITIONALLY, NOTIFICATION OF SITE PLANS, SUBDIVISIONS, NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENTS AND ZONING APPLICATIONS IS PROVIDED. WHO CURRENTLY RECEIVES NOTIFICATION? INTERESTED PARTIES ONCE THE CRITERIA IS MET AND THEY'VE ESTABLISHED THEMSELVES AS AN INTERESTED PARTY; THE APPLICANT; PROPERTY OWNERS LOCATED WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT; THE NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION WHOSE BOUNDARIES ENCOMPASS THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND ANY PARTY TO THE APPEAL. NEXT SLIDE KIND OF GIVES YOU AN IDEA OF THE RADIUS FROM JUST A PROPOSED SITE THERE IN ORANGE IN THE RECTANGLE IN THE CENTER THERE, JUST TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF 300 FEET RADIUS NOTIFICATION, WHICH IS WHAT CURRENTLY EXISTS. JUST FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES. THESE PROPOSED CHANGES WILL AFFECT INTERESTED PARTIES, PROPERTY OWNERS, NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS AND RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL OCCUPANTS. FIRST OF ALL, INTERESTED PARTY NOTIFICATION. CURRENTLY INTERESTED PARTY MAY BE EITHER OWNER OR RENTER OF A PRIMARY RESIDENCE WITHIN 500 FEET OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND ALSO MUST MEET THE CRITERIA TO BE ESTABLISHED AS AN INTERESTED PARTY. THIS CODE AMENDMENT ACTUALLY JUST CHANGES THE LANGUAGE THAT HELPS US IDENTIFY WHO IS OCCUPYING A HOUSEHOLD THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE THE ACTUAL OWNER, AND WE ARE USING UTILITY SERVICE RECORDS FOR THAT. THE CHANGE AFFECTING PROPERTY OWNERS, PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE SITE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WILL RECEIVE NOTIFICATION. THIS IS AN INCREASE FROM THE 300 FEET THAT IS CURRENTLY IN EFFECT. AND THE NEXT SLIDE JUST KIND OF GIVES YOU AN IDEA OF HOW IT REACHES OUT AND CAPTURES MORE -- THOSE ARE LOTS -- MORE HOMEOWNERS OR EVEN BUSINESS OWNERS, ET CETERA. SO THE CHANGE TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS. CURRENTLY WE PROVIDE NOTIFICATION TO THE ORGANIZATION THAT ACTUALLY ENCOMPASSES THE SITE WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT IS PROPOSED. THIS ORDINANCE PROPOSES TO ACTUALLY EXPAND THIS AND INCLUDE NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE BOUNDARIES ARE ACTUALLY WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE PROPOSED SITE. WE MAY HAVE A SITE ON ONE SIDE OF THE STREET WITHIN A CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION, AND ACROSS THE STREET, WHICH OBVIOUSLY WILL BE

AFFECTED JUST BY PROXIMITY DEPENDING ON THE DEVELOPMENT. THEY CURRENTLY MAY NOT GET NOTIFICATION SINCE THE NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION MIGHT NOT ACTUALLY ENCOMPASS THE PROPOSED SITE OF DEVELOPMENT. SO WE'RE GOING TO ACTUALLY EXPAND THAT TO NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE BOUNDARIES ARE WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE PROPOSED SITE. AGAIN, THIS IS THE LANGUAGE THAT WE USED EARLIER IN THE INTERESTED PARTY, JUST TO IDENTIFY WHO ACTUALLY OCCUPIES THE RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS. WE'LL NOW NOT ONLY CAPTURE AN ACTUAL HOMEOWNER OR A COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNER, BUT THE TENANTS WITHIN A COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AND THE TENANTS OF A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WILL ALSO BE NOTIFIED. AND THEN JUST KIND OF A SUMMARY HERE OF THE CHANGES IN THIS PICTURE SHOW THAT THE 500 FEET NOTIFICATION, THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS, PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 500 FEET AND BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL OCCUPANTS WITHIN 500 FEET. AND I CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

DUNKERLEY: ANY QUESTIONS ON THE NOTIFICATION?

MAYOR PRO TEM, I HAVE A QUESTION. IS THIS GOING TO APPLY JUST TO THE CURRENT NOTIFICATION PROCESS IN TERMS OF WE'RE JUST EXPANDING THE NOTIFICATION TO THE 500-FOOT?

YES, SIR, IT'S EXISTING NOTIFICATION.

SO ANYWHERE THAT WE REQUIRE NOTIFICATION WE'RE SIMPLY EXPANDING FROM 3 TO 500 FEET AND THEN WE'RE ADDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS AND WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE?

THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS ARE ACTUALLY ALREADY THERE, BUT THEY'RE EXPANDING IT TO REACH OUT TO 500 FEET IF THEIR BOUNDARIES ARE WITHIN THAT. THE OTHER ONE IS ACTUALLY THE OCCUPANTS, COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANTS WITHIN 500 FEET.

GREAT. THANK YOU.

DUNKERLEY: ARE THERE ANY FOLKS SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM?

NO, MA'AM.

ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU.

DUNKERLEY: ALL RIGHT. THERE IS A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THIS ORDINANCE MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ AND SECONDED BY

COUNCIL MEMBER KIM. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

DUNKERLEY: AYE. ITEM NO. 34, CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A LIMITED ADJUSTMENT FROM CHAPTER 25-8, SUBCHAPTER A, ARTICLE 12 OF THE CITY CODE TO THE PROMISELAND CHURCH WEST. WELCOME.

GOOD EVENING. COUNCIL, MY NAME IS PAT MURPHY WITH THE WATERSHED PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DEPARTMENT. WE'RE HERE THIS EVENING TO DO THE SECOND STEP IN THE LIMITED ADJUSTMENT PROCESS TO THE SAVE OUR SPRINGS ORDINANCE. YOU MAY RECALL THAT ON APRIL 10 THE COUNCIL VOTED THAT THE PROMISELAND CHURCH DRIVEWAY CROSSING OF THE CRITICAL ZONE AND WATER QUALITY TRANSITION ZONE QUALIFIED FOR A LIMITED ADJUSTMENT UNDER THE SOS ORDINANCE. THE PROPOSED DRIVEWAY CROSSING IS -- STAFF HAS DETERMINED IS A MINIMUM -- I'M SORRY, MINIMUM DEVIATION NECESSARY FROM SOS, IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO ENSURE ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY. THE PROPOSED CROSSING WILL PRESERVE WATER QUALITY BECAUSE THE PROJECT OTHERWISE WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH SOS OTHER THAN THE CROSSING FOR WATER QUALITY TREATMENT AND IMPERVIOUS COVER LEVELS. IT ALSO IS REQUIRED BY ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE A ONE-STAR RATING GREEN BUILDER RATING UNDER AUSTIN ENERGY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT ON THE PROPERTY. WITH THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING THIS FOR YOUR APPROVAL AND I'M HERE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, AS WELL AS OUR LAW DEPARTMENT.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? ARE THERE ANY SPEAKERS SIGNED UP? OKAY. GREAT.

MAYOR PRO TEM?

LEFFINGWELL: I'LL MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ITEM 34 ON ALL THREE READINGS.

DUNKERLEY: THERE IS A MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL, SEBLGD SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCCracken. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

DUNKERLEY: AYE. ITEM NO. 35, CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE GRANTING VARIANCES FROM CITY CODE SECTION 25-8-454 AND 25-8- 25-8-452 AND ESTABLISHING AN ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE PROCESS FOR LIMITED VARIANCES.

GOOD EVENING AGAIN, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. MY NAME IS PAT MURPHY WITH WATERSHED PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DEPARTMENT. WE ARE HERE THIS EVENING TO

PRESENT TO YOU A SITE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE THAT WOULD PERTAIN TO CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER TREATMENT PLANT 4. THE ALTERNATIVE SITE AT BROOK HOLLOW AND 2222. AGREEING MESARAS IS HERE WITH THE WATER UTILITY TO EXPLAIN THE PRESENTATION AND I WILL COME BACK AND EXPLAIN WHAT IS IN THE ORDINANCE.

GOOD EVENING, AGREEING, OFFICE OF WATER UTILITY. I HAVE THREE BRIEF SLIDES TONIGHT. AS COUNCIL IS AWARE, WE HAVE MOVED TO A NEW SITE FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT 4. IT'S NOW LOCATED AT BULLOCK HOLLOW AND 2222. THE PRIMARY REASON FOR MOVING WAS TO FIND A SITE THAT WAS SIGNIFICANTLY ENVIRONMENTALLY LESS FRAGILE THAN OUR FORMER SITE AT BULL CREEK, AND THIS TABLE, I THINK, DOES A NICE JOB SUMMARIZING HOW THE NEW SITE IS ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR TO THE BULL CREEK SITE. IT HAS NO JOLLYVILLE PLATEAU SALAMANDER ISSUES, NO VERT BRACE WRECKAGES, LESS GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, ONLY SMALL STREAMS, NO ELEVATED FOUNDATIONS THAT WE WOULD CONSTRUCT ON OUR PREVIOUS SITES, IT'S SURROUNDED BY PRESERVE, NO SPRINGS OR SEEPS, AND WOULD HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED FOR INTENSE DEVELOPMENT HAD WE NOT PURCHASED THE SITE. I WANTED TO MOVE FORWARD -- IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD SUCCESSFULLY ON THE SITE WE NEED CERTAINTY WITH REGARD TO VARIANCES. ONE, WE'LL NEED TO STAY ON SCHEDULE. SWITCHING TO THE NEW SITE POSTPONED THE NEW PLANT BY ONE YEAR. WE WILL BE ABLE TO OFFSET THAT BY WATER DEMAND CHANGES WITH WATER CONSERVATION, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO STAY ON SCHEDULE. THE ENVIRONMENTAL -- OR THE VARIANCES FOR THE NEW SITE WILL ALLOW US TO STAY ON SCHEDULE, TO PROVIDE CERTAINTY THROUGH THE DESIGN PROCESS. THIS APPROACH TO HAVING AN ORDINANCE FOR -- FOR LARGE PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IS SIMILAR TO OTHER SUCCESSFUL APPROACHES THAT WE DID WITH THE AIRPORT, AUSTIN CLEAN WATER PROGRAM, TOWN LAKE AND OTHERS. AND WITH THAT PAT IS GOING TO TAKE BACK OVER.

THANK YOU, GREG. THIS SITE CONCEPTUAL PLAN FOR THE SITE I THINK SHOWS HOW CONSTRAINED WE ARE ON THIS SITE, ALTHOUGH THIS IS A MUCH LESS ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE SITE THAN THE FORMER BULL CREEK SITE. IT IS LIMITED IN TERMS OF HOW MUCH AREA IS AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT, AND AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE DIFFERENT COLORS ON THIS PLAN, YOU CAN SEE THAT THERE ARE SLOPE ISSUES AND THAT ALSO LEAD TO CUT AND FILL ISSUES WHEN YOU ARE TRYING TO DEVELOP SOMETHING AS LARGE AS A WATER QUALITY -- A WATER TREATMENT PLANT. THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ORDINANCE ARE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE CERTAINTY THAT THE OVERALL PLANT LAYOUT AND DESIGN ARE ACCEPTABLE, THE ORDINANCE INCLUDES IMPERVIOUS COVER IN CRITICAL WATER QUALITY ZONE VARIANCES THAT WOULD BE GRANTED UP FRONT TO ENSURE ALL PHASES OF THE PLAN BUILD OUT ARE ACHIEVABLE. THE SECOND HIGHLIGHT IS IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE PROJECT TO STAY ON SCHEDULE AND TO AVOID REDESIGN COST, ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE AUTHORITY IS GRANTED FOR CUT AND FILL AND FOR CONSTRUCTION ON SLOPES TO PROVIDE EARLY CERTAINTY FOR KEY DESIGN ISSUES AS WE ARE DESIGNING THE PROJECT AND PERMITTING THE PROJECT. A SUMMARY OF THE ORDINANCE. THE ORDINANCE PERMANENTLY PREFERS THE BULL CREEK SITE, WHICH IS -- WE'RE ALL VERY

EXCITED ABOUT. IT GRANTS VARIANCES, AS I SAID PREVIOUSLY, FOR IMPERVIOUS COVER, UP TO 50% ON THIS SITE. IT GRANTS VARIANCES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF -- OF THE INTAKE IN LAKE TRAVIS, WHICH REQUIRES A VARIANCE TO DEVELOP IN THE CRITICAL WATER QUALITY ZONE OF LAKE TRAVIS. THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZES ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCES BY WATERSHED PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DEPARTMENT FOR CUTS UP TO 30 FEET AND FILLS UP TO 40 FEET ON THE PLANT SIDE AND CUTS UP TO 60 FEET ON THE PUMP STATION SIDE. IT ALSO GRANTS ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND DRIVEWAYS ON SLOPES GREATER THAN 15%. THE ORDINANCE PROVIDES FOR NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCE APPROVALS AND APPEAL OF THOSE ADMINISTRATIVE VARIANCES TO THE CITY MANAGER BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD AND THE PUBLIC, IF DESIRED, IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE VARIANCES THAT WE'RE GRANTING. IN SUMMARY, THE ORDINANCE IS RECOMMENDED FOR YOUR APPROVAL BY AUSTIN WATER UTILITY AND WATERSHED PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DEPARTMENT STAFF. AGAIN, IT PREFERS THE BULL CREEK SITE. IT FACILITATES COMPLETION OF THE PLANT ON SCHEDULE AND PROVIDES FOR EFFICIENT PERMITTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. THE ORDINANCE HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD, THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS WE HAVE STAFF HERE WHO CAN ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL? ARE THERE ANY SPEAKERS?

ONE PERSON SIGNED UP, MR. SCOTT JOHNSON. HE'S AGAINST BUT DOES NOT WISH TO SPEAK.

DUNKERLEY: OKAY. COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

LEFFINGWELL: WELL, AFTER A LONG WAIT OF ABOUT TWO YEARS AND WITH A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE, I MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS THE ORDINANCE GRANTING THE REQUESTED VARIANCES FOR BUILDING WATER TREATMENT PLANT 4.

DUNKERLEY: IS THERE A SECOND? OKAY. MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER KIM. ALL OF THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

DUNKERLEY: AYE. VERY GOOD. COUNCIL, IF THERE'S NO OTHER ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA --
THANK YOU, COUNCIL.

DUNKERLEY: YOU'RE WELCOME, WE STAND ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.

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