

# **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 52513 Agenda Number 18.

Meeting Date: 11/19/2015 Department: Development Services

## Subject

Approve third reading of an ordinance adopting and authorizing execution of an Impervious Cover Transfer Agreement associated with a 5.92 acre property located at 6308 Spicewood Springs Road known as Ace Salvage Yard and Ace Discount Glass (District 10).

# Amount and Source of Funding

## Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	May 7, 2015 - Council approved an ordinance on first reading.  May 14, 2015 - Council approved an ordinance on second reading.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

#### Additional Backup Information

This ordinance adopts and authorizes the execution of an agreement that would allow the transfer of up to 229,994 square feet of watershed impervious cover credits from a property within the Bull Creek Watershed located at 6308 Spicewood Springs Road known as Ace Salvage Yard to other properties within the Planning Jurisdiction of the City of Austin. The agreement would also provide that a portion of the land is restricted by covenant and a recreational easement. The subject property is currently owned by Roy and Cynthia Cavanaugh and developed with a legal nonconforming motor vehicle salvage yard and glass company that was established prior to annexation into the City in 2013. Under current law, the existing business may continue indefinitely unless it is abandoned. The property was zoned townhouse and condominium residence-conditional overlay (SF-6-CO) combining district zoning by the City Council in December 2014. The existing uses on the property abut the main channel of Bull Creek to the west and a detached single family neighborhood to the north and east. As the result of conversations between Mr. Cavanaugh and the City Council in 2014, Mayor Leffingwell asked at a Council meeting that staff work with Mr. Cavanaugh to see if there was a way to curtail the uses that were detrimental to water quality and possibly allow greater public access along the creek.