SECOND READING SUMMARY SHEET

ZONING CASE NUMBER: C814-2014-0120 – Austin Oaks PUD

REQUEST:  
C814-2014-0120 – Austin Oaks PUD – District 10 – Conduct a public hearing and approve 2nd reading of an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-2 by rezoning property locally known as 3409, 3420, 3429, 3445, 3520, 3636, 3701, 3721, 3724, and 3737 Executive Center Drive and 7601, 7718 and 7719 Wood Hollow Drive (Shoal Creek Watershed) from community commercial (GR) district zoning, neighborhood commercial (LR) district zoning, limited office (LO) district zoning and family residence (SF-3) district zoning to planned unit development (PUD) district zoning. The ordinance may include waiver of fees, alternative funding methods, modifications of City regulations, and acquisition of property. Zoning and Platting Commission Recommendation: To approve PUD zoning with conditions. City Council: Approved First Reading PUD zoning with conditions, December 15, 2016. Applicant: Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan). Owner: Twelve Lakes LLC, Jon Ruff. City Staff: Andrew Moore, 512-974-7604.

On first reading Council approved ZAP recommendation. Public hearing is left open. The request for PUD zoning is for 31.37 acres at the Mopac Access Road and Spicewood Springs Road intersection. The superiority elements include an overall reduction in impervious cover to 58%, creek restoration, greater parkland dedication and affordable housing. The proposed project will include office, hotel, multifamily and retail providing a mix of uses. There has been extensive public input in the design and proposed uses. A charrette was conducted in January of 2016 which resulted in proposed layout. Subsequently there has been substantial staff review of the other elements (environmental, transportation, drainage, parkland, neighborhood housing) of the PUD to determine superiority.

During the March 2 meeting CM Casar proposed replacing the hotel with additional residential units to provide additional affordable housing.

DISTRICT AREA: 10

PROPERTY OWNER: Twelve Lakes LLC (Jon Ruff)

AGENT: Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan)

ISSUES: Valid Petition at 24.51%

DATE OF FIRST READING/VOTE: December 15, 2016 - 7-1-1 [A. KITCHEN 1st, P. RENTERIA 2nd, K. TOVO AGAINST, L. POOL ABSTAIN, D. GARZA AND E. TROXCLAIR OFF THE DAI5]

CITY COUNCIL DATE: March 23, 2017
CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

ASSIGNED STAFF: Andrew Moore  PHONE: 512-974-7604  EMAIL: andrew.moore@austintexas.gov
ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

**CASE:** C814-2014-0120 – Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development

**Environmental Commission Date:** September 6, 2016  
**Zoning and Platting Commission Date:** October 18, 2016  
**November 1, 2016**

**DISTRICT:** 10

**ADDRESS:** Southwest Corner of Mo-Pac and Spicewood Springs Road (3409, 3420, 3429, 3445, 3520, 3636, 3701, 3721, 3724, and 3737 Executive Center Drive and 7601, 7718 and 7719 Wood Hollow Drive)

**OWNER/APPLICANT:** Twelve Lakes, LLC (Jon Ruff)

**AGENT:** Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan)

**ZONING FROM:** LO, LR, GR, SF-3  
**TO:** PUD  
**AREA:** 31.4 acres

**SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**
Staff supports Planned Unit Development (PUD) as depicted in the Land Use Plan and supporting exhibits with the following additional conditions:

1. 10% of residential units will be available for household incomes at 60% of or below the median family income (MFI) for rental and 80% MFI for ownership. [Subsequent to the Zoning and Platting Commission’s recommendation, the Law Department has determined that reserving affordable housing based on an employer is outside the scope of the City of Austin’s zoning authority. Because of this, designating a percentage of the affordable units for AISD employees has been removed from the staff recommendation].
2. Road/Intersection improvements as noted in the Transportation Impact Analysis Memo (Exhibit I).
3. A cocktail lounge use is limited to 5000 square feet.

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MOTION:**
**SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 – POSTPONED TO SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 AT THE REQUEST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.**
**SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 – RECOMMENDED THE ITEM BE CONSIDERED BY THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND POSTPONED TO OCTOBER 5, 2016.**
**OCTOBER 5, 2016 - FORWARD TO ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL WITHOUT AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE. MOTION TO APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS FAILED, SUBSEQUENT MOTIONS TO APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS FAILED. THE MOTIONS ARE DETAILED IN EXHIBIT M.**

**ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION**
**OCTOBER 18, 2016: POSTPONED TO NOVEMBER 1, 2016 AT THE REQUEST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD**
ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS:

1. Measurement of building height will not use mean sea level.
2. A mixed use development is required on Parcel 9 with a commercial ground floor use and multifamily residential above the ground floor.
3. Multifamily residential use is required upon completion of 500,000 square feet of commercial/office use across all parcels.
4. Tree survey is valid until 2033 (20 years).
5. Applicant will pay $420k within one year for TIA mitigation item 1 and will fully fund phase 1 items 3, 4, 7, 9, and 10 in the TIA memo. Developer will pay 100% of costs, including design and overhead.
6. Liquor sales is prohibited in all districts.
7. Cocktail Lounge is permitted in Hotel district only.
8. Recommend requiring the Park phasing plan as proposed by the applicant.
9. Neighborhood parkland is dedicated at time 250 apartments or once 500,000 sq. ft. is reached.

COUNCIL ACTION:

NOVEMBER 10, 2016 – POSTPONED BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO DECEMBER 15, 2016, VOTE 11-0 [D. ZIMMERMAN, O. HOUSTON 2ND].


FEBRUARY 2, 2017 – POSTPONED TO FEBRUARY 16, 2017 AT THE REQUEST OF CM ALTER, VOTE 10-0 [L. POOL 1ST, A. ALTER 2ND, G. CASAR OFF THE DAI], THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS LEFT OPEN AND STAFF WAS DIRECTED TO BRING THE ITEM BACK FOR 2ND READING.

FEBRUARY 16, 2017- POSTPONED TO MARCH 2, 2017 AT THE REQUEST OF CM ALTER, VOTE 9-2 [J. FLANAGAN, E. TROXCLAIR AGAINST].

ISSUES:

A zoning petition has been received and validated at 24.51%.

EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS TO THE STAFF REPORT:

Exhibit A: Zoning Map
Exhibit B: Aerial Map
Exhibit C: Austin Oaks Land Use Plan
Exhibit D: Tier 1 and Tier 2 Compliance Summary
Exhibit E: Proposed Code Modifications
Exhibit F: Tree Plan
Exhibit G: Parks Plan Exhibit
Exhibit H: Parks and Recreation Memo
Exhibit I: TIA Staff Memo dated October 7, 2016
Exhibit J: Creek Plan
Exhibit K: Streetscape Plans
Exhibit L: Open Space Plan
Exhibit M: Environmental Memo
Exhibit N: Environmental Commission Motions
Exhibit O: Affordable Housing Program Language
Exhibit P: Educational Impact Statement
Other PUD Exhibits
Citizen comments
DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:
The subject property includes 13 parcels that collectively total 31.4 acres of land that was developed as an office park in the 1970's. The office park consists of 12, two to three-story buildings and associated surface parking lots. The properties are divided north and south of Executive Center Boulevard with all parcels having driveway access from Executive Center Drive. The two parcels that are at the northeast and northwest corners of Wood Hollow Drive and Executive Center Drive also have driveway access from Wood Hollow Drive. Executive Center Drive is accessible from Hart Lane, Wood Hollow Drive, and from the south bound Mopac Express Way feeder road.

The property is currently designated with limited office (LO), neighborhood commercial (LR), and community commercial (GR) district zoning (see Exhibit B). There are also two 25-wide family-residence (SF-3) zoned strips along the western boundary of the project at Hart Lane; these strips pre-dated compatibility standards, and were to serve as a buffer to residential properties on the opposite side of the roadway. These SF-3 portions have been incorporated into the PUD, along with the existing LO, LR, and GR zoning tracts.

The property, and surrounding neighborhood, is not part of an active or near-future neighborhood planning effort. Surrounding properties are a mix of residential and commercial uses. North of Spicewood Springs Road lies the Balcones West neighborhood, which is mostly family-residence (SF-3) zoning, with office and commercial zoning (LO, LR, and GR) along Spicewood Springs. Mopac is adjacent to the property along the east of the project, with the Allendale neighborhood beyond. Low-density multifamily residential zoning (MF-2) lies to the south, again with some office and commercial districts (LO, GO, LR, GR, and CS-1) along Mopac and Greystone Drive. Hart Lane marks the western edge of the project, beyond which is predominantly family-residence (SF-3), with some higher density residential (SF-6 and the 1979 Williamsburg PUD) along Spicewood Springs at the north.

The Applicant has requested PUD district zoning in order to build a mixed-use development that will include 250 multifamily residential units, a maximum of 12,800 square feet of restaurant uses, 90,000 square feet of hotel uses and 865,900 square feet of office uses. Per the Land Use Plan submitted on August 30, 2016 (please refer to Exhibit C), buildings in the development will have maximum heights ranging from 35 feet to 92.5 feet.

Additionally, the development will also provide 8.5 acres of dedicated parkland (5.34 acres credited parkland) and trails with a total of 11.01 acres of open space. The amount of credited parkland is 11.3% higher than required by the 2016 Parkland Dedication ordinance (Credited Parkland owed = 4.8 acres; Credited Parkland provided = 5.34 acres) and 100% of the neighborhood park acres is level and suitable for open play. The applicant is also proposing to provide $1,546,500 towards the development of the Neighborhood Park. This amount represents $5,155 per residential unit, 15 times more than the current $317 per unit park-development fee required in 25-1-606. Additional funds will be spent to connect the park areas with trails. Please see attached memo from the Parks and Recreation Department supporting the superiority of these elements (Exhibit H).

Traffic Impact Analysis
The Transportation Impact Analysis review has been completed by the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) and traffic infrastructure modifications have been identified for the proposed development and uses. ATD staff has recommended the following intersection improvements be made by the applicant:

--Install a fully actuated traffic signal at the intersection of Spicewood Springs Road and Hart Lane. This will include an advance flasher west of the intersection on Spicewood Springs Road.
--Provide a free eastbound right-turn movement from Spicewood Springs Road to Loop 1 Southbound Frontage Road.
--Construct a southbound right-turn deceleration lane on Loop 1 Southbound Frontage Road (upstream of Executive Center Drive).
--Construct a southbound acceleration lane on Loop 1 Southbound Frontage Road (downstream of Executive Center Drive).

Please see attached document from Transportation Impact Analysis Memo (Exhibit I).

**Affordable Housing**
The Applicant is proposing to provide a total of 10% of the residential units to households whose income is 80 percent or below the median family income (MFI) for ownership units and 60 percent MFI or below for rental units. Up to 50% of the affordable units may be provided to households in which one of the members is employed by the Austin Independent School District, so long as their income does not exceed 120% MFI of the Austin metropolitan statistical area for ownership units or rental units. **Please Note: The Law Department has determined that reserving affordable housing based on an employer is outside the scope of the City of Austin’s zoning authority. As such this provision is removed from the staff recommendation.**

**PUD requirements**
Per the Land Development Code, PUD district zoning was established to implement goals of preserving the natural environment, encouraging high quality development and innovative design, affordable housing and ensuring adequate public facilities and services. The City Council intends PUD district zoning to produce development that achieves these goals to a greater degree than and thus is superior to development which could occur under conventional zoning and subdivision regulations.

City Council approved revisions to the PUD regulations that became effective June 29, 2008. To help evaluate the superiority of a proposed PUD, requirements are divided into two categories: Tier 1, which is requirements that all PUDs must meet, and Tier 2 which provides criteria in 13 topical areas in which a PUD may exceed code requirements and therefore demonstrate superiority. A PUD need not address all criteria listed under Tier 2, and there is no minimum number of categories or individual items required (Exhibit D).

As shown in Exhibit C (Land Use Plan), the proposed area has been divided into ten parcels which the applicant intends to redevelop in phases. Below is a table showing each parcel’s proposed use and development specifications:

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## Proposed Code Modifications

There are 24 modifications to Code requirements requested by the Applicant (Exhibit E).

1. *Section 25-8-25(B)(1) and (3) (Redevelopment Exception in Urban and Suburban Watersheds)* are modified to apply to the entirety of the PUD on an overall basis;

2. *Section 2.4.3 (Buffering)* of the Environmental Criteria Manual is modified as to Parcel 1 and Parcel 4, such that plants used as buffering elements shall be planted in a permeable landscape area at least three (3) feet wide, measured from inside of curb or pavement to the property line.

3. *Section 25-6-477 (Bicycle Parking)* for office, residential, and hotel uses is modified;

4. *Section 25-2-1008(A)(1) (Irrigation Requirements)* will be applied on an overall basis;

5. *Section 25-7-641(B) (Removal Prohibited)* is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to allow for the removal of specific Heritage Trees;

6. *Section 3.5.4 (Mitigation Measures)* of the City of Austin Environmental Criteria Manual is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to provide a standard for redevelopment sites and provide tree mitigation credit shall be granted for removing existing impervious cover from the critical root zone of preserved trees;

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8. *Section 3.5.4 (Mitigation Measures)* of the City of Austin Environmental Criteria Manual is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to provide a standard for redevelopment sites and provide that tree mitigation credit shall be granted for removing existing impervious cover from the critical root zone of preserved trees;

9. *Section 25-7-61(A)(5) (Criteria for Approval of Development Applications)*, and *Section 1.2.2.A and D of the City of Austin Drainage Criteria Manual (General)* are modified to apply to the entirety of the PUD on an overall basis;

10. *Sections 25-7-32 (Director Authorized to Require Erosion Hazard Zone Analysis)* is modified so that another Erosion Hazard Zone Analysis is not required for each site plan;

11. *Section 25-2-1062 (Height Limitations and Setbacks for Small Sites)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

12. *Section 25-2-1063 (Height Limitations and Setbacks for Large Sites)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;
13. Section 25-2-1065 (Scale and Clustering Requirements) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

14. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Section 2.2 (Relationship of Buildings to Streets and Walkways) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

15. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Section 2.3 (Connectivity) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan and the Streetscape Plan Exhibit;

16. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Section 2.4 (Building Entryways) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan and the Streetscape Plan Exhibit;

17. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Section 3.2 (Glazing and Facade Relief Requirements) shall not apply to the AO Hotel Parcel 6 or the AO Mixed Use Parcel 9;

18. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Article 4 (Mixed Use) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

19. Section 25-10-101(C)(2) and (3)(a) (Signs Allowed in All Sign Districts Without An Installation Permit) is modified to improve directional signage given the topography at the site;

20. Section 25-10-130 (Commercial Sign District Regulations) is modified to allow projecting signs and increase sign size within the Property; and

21. Section 25-10-154 (Subdivision Identification Sign) is modified to provide for an appropriate number of subdivision signs.

22. Section 25-6-472 (Parking Facility Standards) is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to account for a mixed use development.

23. Section 25-2-21 of the Land Development Code to allow for the PUD to comply with the site development regulations on an overall contiguous basis, rather than tract by tract.

24. Section 25-2-243 of the Land Development Code to allow for the PUD area to be considered contiguous in the zoning application.

**Proposed Benefits/Superiority of the PUD:**

**Parkland/Open Space**
--5.34 acres credited parkland) and trails with a total of 11.01 acres of open space. Applicant will contribute 1,546,500 towards the park development which is $5,155 per residential unit, 15 times more than the current $317 per unit park-development fee.
--Maintain proposed bridge over creek and walkways for ten years.

**Environmental/Drainage**
--Provide more open space than required – approximately 3.2 extra acres, or 41 percent more open space than required based on the proposed land uses.
--Limit impervious cover to 58 percent across the entire property, which is eight percent below the maximum that would otherwise be allowed by code. Under the redevelopment exception, the project could maintain but not increase the amount of impervious cover on the site, which is currently 66 percent.
--Provide superior flood mitigation by providing a minimum of 20,000 cubic feet of additional on-site flood detention.
--Exceed the minimum code requirements for landscaping by increasing the percentage of street yard trees that are from the Preferred Plant List, increasing the minimum size to 3” caliper and 8’ height, and increasing the species diversity of planted trees [max 50% of same genus or species to max 30% of same genus or species].
--75 percent of plants will be native or adapted species (excluding turf and plants in dedicated parkland).
--Provide an IPM Plan, which will minimize pesticide use in landscaped areas.
--Preserve at least 75 percent of all caliper inches of heritage and protected trees, calculated together, and at least 75 percent of all native caliper inches, including trees 1” in diameter and larger.
--Restore riparian vegetation in degraded Critical Water Quality Zone and Critical Environmental Feature buffer areas. The project shall remove approximately 1.65 acres of existing, non-compliant impervious cover from the CWQZ and CEF buffers.
--Improve the degraded riparian area by laying back the west creek bank on Parcels 4 and 5, as shown on the applicant’s Exhibit J – Creek Plan. The project will create an inundation area that will also be restored.

**Affordable Housing**
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**Green Building**
--Comply with at least a 2-Star Green Building standard.

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**TIA:** Completed. TIA Memo attached (Exhibit I)

**WATERSHEDS:** Shoal Creek

**DESIRE DEVELOPMENT ZONE:** Yes

**CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR:** No

**SCENIC ROADWAY:** No

**NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:**

- Austin Independent School District 742
- Northwest Austin Civic Association 53
- Austin Neighborhoods Council 511
- The Real Estate Council of Austin, Inc. 1236
- Austin Heritage Tree Foundation 1340
- Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group 1228
- SEL Texas 1363
- Bike Austin 1528
- Balcones Civic Association 5
- Homeless Neighborhood Association 1037
- Super Duper Neighborhood Objectors and Appealers Organization 1200
- North Austin Neighborhood Alliance 283
- 5702 Wynona Neighbors 769
- Allandale Neighborhood Association 3
- North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association 126
- Friends of Emma Barrientos MACC 1447
- Sustainable Neighborhoods 1396
- NW Austin Neighbors 1507

**SCHOOLS:**
- Doss Elementary School
- Murchison Middle School
- Anderson High School
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**CITY COUNCIL DATE:** December 15, 2016.  
**ACTION:** APPROVED ZAP RECOMMENDATION ON 1ST READING.

**ORDINANCE READINGS:** 1\textsuperscript{st} 12/15/16  
2\textsuperscript{nd} 3\textsuperscript{rd}

**ORDINANCE NUMBER:**

**CASE MANAGER:** Andrew Moore  
**PHONE:** 512-974-7604  
andrew.moore@austintexas.gov

**SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

The staff recommendation is to approve the Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning as represented in the Exhibits submitted with the application and listed in Tier Charts. In addition, staff recommends:

1. 10% of residential units will be available for household incomes at 60% of or below the median family income (MFI) for rental and 80% MFI for ownership. Up to 50% of the total affordable units may be available to households in which one of the members is employed by the Austin Independent School District at 120% MFI for either rental or ownership (Exhibit N).
2. Road/Intersection improvements as noted in the Transportation Impact Analysis Memo (Exhibit I).
3. A cocktail lounge use is limited to 5,000 square feet.

A Public Restrictive Covenant will include all recommendations listed in the Traffic Impact Analysis memorandum dated October 6, 2016.

**BASIS FOR LAND USE RECOMMENDATION (ZONING PRINCIPLES)**

1. *The proposed zoning should be consistent with the purpose state of the district sought.*

The Planned Unit Development (PUD) district is intended for large or complex developments under unified control, planned as a single contiguous project. It is intended to allow single or multi-use projects within its boundaries and provides greater design flexibility for development proposed within the PUD. Use of the PUD district should result in development superior to that which would occur under conventional zoning and subdivision regulations. It is appropriate if it enhances preservation of the natural environment, encourage high quality development and innovative design, and ensure adequate public facilities and services for development within a PUD.
2. **Zoning changes should result in a balance of land uses, provides an orderly and compatible relationship among land uses, and incorporates environmental protection measures.**

The staff is recommending PUD zoning at this location because it provides a mix of commercial and residential uses at an intersection of a major arterial and a Freeway. The creation of nodal development is supported Imagine Austin and will provide an opportunity for a mix of uses with greater park and open space and improved environmental protection. The proposed development promotes a greatly improved multi-modal experience with a reduced reliance on single occupancy vehicles. The increased building heights proposed along the Mopac frontage road and Spicewood Springs road are recommended in return for the superior environmental improvements and riparian restoration, removal of impervious cover, affordable housing, green building and park/open space.

3. **Zoning should promote clearly-identified community goals, such as creating employment opportunities or providing for affordable housing.**

In addition to providing more office space than currently exists, the mix of uses will provide a substantial increase in employment opportunities (hotel, restaurant and retail). The applicant is proposing to provide affordable housing for the general population and at the request of neighbors, moderate income housing for Austin Independent School District employees.

4. **Zoning should allow for reasonable use of property.**

The existing office park is typical of a 1970s suburban development with extensive surface parking. The proposed redevelopment will be a mixed-use, pedestrian oriented phased project in what is now a central location. It promotes the type of uses and environmental improvements proscribed in Imagine Austin.

**Educational Impact Statement**
The Educational Impact Statement conducted by Austin Independent School District Planning Staff was based on the originally proposed PUD application with 277 multifamily units. The project currently proposed will have 250 multifamily units. Using that unit number, the enrollment of Doss Elementary is projected to increase by 30 students; Murchison Middle school will increase by 9 students; and Anderson High School will increase by 18 students. Doss and Murchison are well above their target ranges of 75-115%. Doss is at 169% and Murchison 122%. Anderson High School is within the target range at 108%. AISD is already working on intervention strategies to address overcrowding at Doss and will need to do the same at Murchison with the addition of these units.

**Additional Department Review**

**Imagine Austin Analysis**
NPZ Comprehensive Planning Review - Kathleen Fox 512-974-7877
SF-3, LO, LR, GR to PUD

This zoning case is located on a 31.3 acre site located on the south side of Spicewood Springs Road and on either side of Wood Hollow Drive, which is adjacent to Mopac to the west. The property is not located within the boundaries of a neighborhood planning area. The site contains an office complex and the
developer wants to build a mixed use project with residential elements including residential townhomes, multi-family apartments, retail, and office uses. The proposed project will contain approximately 250 dwelling units, 100,000 sq. ft. of retail, and 850,000 sq. ft. for offices.

Imagine Austin
The site is located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone, as identified on the Imagine Austin’s Environmental Resources Map, found in the Image Austin Comprehensive Plan (IACP). An aquifer contributing zone is an area where runoff from precipitation flows to the recharge zone of an aquifer. Streams in the contributing zone flow downstream into the recharge zone and “contribute” water to the aquifer.
It is also located within the boundaries of ‘Neighborhood Center’, as identified on the Imagine Austin’s Growth Concept Map. A Neighborhood Center is the smallest and least intense of the three types of activity centers outlined in the Growth Concept Map, with a focus on creating local businesses and services—including doctors and dentists, shops, branch libraries, dry cleaners, hair salons, coffee shops, restaurants, and other small and local businesses that generally serve the center and surrounding neighborhoods. The following IACP policies are also relevant to this case:

- **LUT P1.** Align land use and transportation planning and decision-making to achieve a compact and connected city in line with the growth concept map.
- **LUT P3.** Promote development in compact centers, communities, or along corridors that are connected by roads and transit that are designed to encourage walking and bicycling, and reduce health care, housing and transportation costs.
- **LUT P7.** Encourage infill and redevelopment opportunities that place residential, work, and retail land uses in proximity to each other to maximize walking, bicycling, and transit opportunities.
- **H P1.** Distribute a variety of housing types throughout the City to expand the choices able to meet the financial and lifestyle needs of Austin’s diverse population.
- **N P1.** Create complete neighborhoods across Austin that have a mix of housing types and land uses, affordable housing and transportation options, and access to schools, retail, employment, community services, and parks and recreation options.

Based upon: (1) abutting residential, office, and commercial land uses located in this area, which is along a major corridor; (2) the property being located within the boundaries of a Neighborhood Center, which supports mixed use, including residential, office and retail uses, and; (3) the Imagine Austin policies referenced above, which supports a variety of land uses, including mixed use centers, staff believes that this proposed mixed use development promotes the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan as long as environmental ordinances are considered and enforced.

Environmental
Please refer to Exhibit M – Environmental Memo

Transportation
Please refer to Exhibit I – TIA Memo

Water and Wastewater
NPZ Austin Water Utility Review – Bradley Barron 512-972-0078
FYI: The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing any water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extensions, water or wastewater easements, utility relocations and/or abandonments required by the proposed land uses. It is recommended that Service Extension Requests be submitted to the Austin Water Utility at the early stages of project planning. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility in compliance with Texas Commission
of Environmental rules and regulations, the City’s Utility Criteria Manual and suitability for operation and maintenance. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. The landowner must pay the City inspection fees with the utility construction. The landowner must pay the tap and impact fee once the landowner makes an application for a City of Austin water and wastewater utility tap permit.

Typical water system operating pressures in the area are above 65 psi. Pressure reducing valves reducing the pressure to 65 psi (552 kPa) or less to water outlets in buildings shall be installed in accordance with the plumbing code.

All AWU infrastructure and appurtenances must meet all TCEQ separation criteria. Additionally AWU must have adequate accessibility to safely construct, maintain, and repair all public infrastructure. Rules & guidelines include:

1. A minimum separation distance of 5 feet from all other utilities (measured outside of pipe to outside of pipe) and AWU infrastructure;
2. A minimum separation distance of 5 feet from trees and must have root barrier systems installed when within 7.5 feet;
3. Water meters and cleanouts must be located in the right-of-way or public water and wastewater easements;
4. Easements AWU infrastructure shall be a minimum of 15 feet wide, or twice the depth of the main, measured from finished grade to pipe flow line, whichever is greater.
5. A minimum separation of 7.5 feet from center line of pipe to any obstruction is required for straddling line with a backhoe;
6. AWU infrastructure shall not be located under water quality or detention structures and should be separated horizontally to allow for maintenance without damaging structures or the AWU infrastructure.
7. The planning and design of circular Intersections or other geometric street features and their amenities shall include consideration for access, maintenance, protection, testing, cleaning, and operations of the AWU infrastructure as prescribed in the Utility Criteria Manual (UCM)
8. Building setbacks must provide ample space for the installation of private plumbing items such as sewer connections, customer shut off valves, pressure reducing valves, and back flow prevention devices in the instance where auxiliary water sources are provided.
This map has been produced by the Communications Technology Management Dept. on behalf of the Planning Development Review Dept. for the sole purpose of geographic reference. No warranty is made by the City of Austin regarding specific accuracy or completeness.

ZONING

ZONING CASE#: C814-2014-0120 - Austin Oaks PUD
LOCATION: MoPac & Spicewood Springs Rd
SUBJECT AREA: 31.37 acres
GRID: H30
MANAGER: ANDREW MOORE
This report includes all comments received to date concerning your proposed planned unit development. The PUD will be scheduled for Commission when all requirements identified in this report have been addressed.

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PROBLEMS, CONCERNS OR IF YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS REPORT, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT YOUR CASE MANAGER (referenced above) at the CITY OF AUSTIN, PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT, P.O. BOX 1088, AUSTIN, TX.

The attached report identifies those requirements that must be addressed by an update to your application in order to obtain approval. This report may also contain recommendations for you to consider, which are not requirements.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS MAY BE GENERATED AS A RESULT OF INFORMATION OR DESIGN CHANGES PROVIDED IN YOUR UPDATE.

Comments cleared

Neighborhood Housing & Community Development – Regina Copic 512-974-3180

Continue working with NHCD to craft specific affordable housing requirements.

Parks & Recreation Dept. Planning – Marilyn Lamensdorf - 512-974-9372

UPDATE 5:

PR1 – 4 Cleared in update 4.
PR5: Cleared.

PR6: Cleared. It was agreed that any amount remaining of the $1,546,500 for Parcel 10 and a historic marker on Parcel 8, may be spent on Parcel 8 (Heritage Park). Also that Heritage Trail will receive 80% credit for parkland under 25-1-604 (private parkland with public easement.)

PR6: Cleared.

PR7: Cleared. Language proposed in draft ordinance related to parks describes timing of parkland dedication.

FYI: Work with Environmental, Water Quality and Wetland Biologist reviewer to ensure that enough room exists for a trail to be built through the dedicated park acres on Parcel 4.

WPD Environmental Office Review – Andrea Bates - 512-974-2291

Update 5: Comment numbers have been corrected as needed.

Tier 1 & Tier 2 Compliance (superiority table)
EO 2. **Tier 1, #8, minimum landscaping requirements.** Please specify how the project will exceed the minimum landscaping requirements of the Code, and clarify any references to the “Grow Green Program.” Grow Green is an educational program, not a specific set of requirements. Please note that using native and adapted plants from the Grow Green Guide and providing an IPM for the PUD are not sufficient to exceed the minimum landscaping requirements as required by Tier 1.

Update 4: Using native and adapted plants for 50% of plant materials (excluding turf and land within dedicated parkland) and preparing an IPM plan for the PUD are not sufficient to exceed minimum landscaping requirements as required by Tier 1, especially given the requested code modifications. Please work with staff to develop a proposal to exceed the minimum landscaping requirements of the code.

**Update 5: Informal, pending document updates. Please incorporate the changes discussed during the meeting with staff on August 24.**

EO 5. **Tier 2, #2, environment.** Please revise the Tier 2 table to include all of the Environmental/Drainage criteria listed in the code (Chapter 25-2(B), Article 2, Division 5, §2.4). Each code criterion should be listed in a separate row, and the Compliance and Explanation columns should state whether and how the project is meeting that criterion (i.e., yes, no, or not applicable; for yes, a description of the proposal). Proposed superiority items that do not fit under code criteria can be added under “Employs other creative or innovative measures to provide environmental protection.” Please ensure that the description in the Explanation column is specific enough to provide a review standard for future development applications.

Update 4: Please make the following revisions:

a. Add the following Tier 2 element and applicant’s response to the table: “Provides water quality treatment for currently untreated, developed off-site areas of at least 10 acres in size.”

b. **Complies with current code:** Change “yes” to “not applicable.” The property does not have entitlements to follow old code provisions.

c. **Reduces impervious cover:** Add a statement that the maximum impervious cover otherwise allowed under the redevelopment exception is 66 percent.

d. **Volumetric detention:** The PUD is not proposing volumetric detention. Change “yes” to “no,” and move the description of the proposed on-site detention to the last row under Environment/Drainage (“Employs other creative or innovative measures to provide environmental protection”). Per the Environmental Officer, staff also requests that the PUD participate in the RSMP for the remaining volume of detention that would be required based on undeveloped conditions. Maximizing on-site detention and participating in RSMP for the remainder would be a significant superiority item.

e. **Tree preservation:** Change “yes” to “yes as modified,” since the proposal does not meet all three criteria listed in the code.

f. **Tree plantings:** Please discuss the feasibility of this proposal with staff.

g. **50% increase in setbacks:** Calculate the size of all existing and proposed setbacks, to confirm whether there will be a 50% increase in the CWQZ and each CEF buffer. When measuring existing and proposed setbacks, include undeveloped/restored area within the standard CWQZ and 150’ buffer widths.
h. **Clusters impervious cover:** Change “yes” to “no.” Credit for the expanded/restored CWQZ and CEF buffers is provided under several other Tier 2 elements.

i. **“This site current has no water quality treatment...”**: Delete this statement. Water quality treatment is required under the redevelopment exception, and impervious cover removal from the CWQZ is credited under a different Tier 2 element.

j. **“The existing impervious cover located...”**: Delete this statement; impervious cover removal is credited under a different Tier 2 element.

k. **“The project shall provide for the preservation of the [CEFs]...”**: Delete this statement; this is a code requirement and restoration is credited under a different Tier 2 element.

l. **“The updated plan preserves more than 7,000 caliper inches...”**: Delete this statement; tree preservation is credited under a different Tier 2 element.

m. Please add letters or numbers to each Tier 2 Environment/Drainage element to make it easier to reference specific superiority elements.

**Update 5: Comment cleared. Please continue to update the superiority table language as needed to clarify PUD commitments.**

**EO 7. Tier 2, #2, environment.** Please provide the existing square footage of impervious cover within the CWQZ and 150’ CEF buffers, the square footage of impervious cover proposed to be removed, the square footage of any new non-compliant impervious cover or other development to be located in those areas, and the minimum distance of existing and proposed non-compliant development from the creek and CEF. This analysis should be performed separately for the CWQZ and each CEF setback on each parcel.

Update 4: Please update the exhibits to identify existing and proposed non-compliant development within the CWQZ (including areas that overlap CEF buffers). All of the existing impervious cover is non-compliant, but some of the proposed development may be allowed by code. For example, the pedestrian bridge would be allowed under 25-8-262. Part of the trail running parallel to the creek might comply with 25-8-261(B)(3), but other sections might be non-compliant because they are located within 25 feet of the centerline.

In addition to the exhibits, please prepare a table that includes the following for the CWQZ and each CEF buffer: square footage of existing non-compliant development; existing minimum distance from the feature; square footage of proposed non-compliant development; and proposed minimum distance from the feature. Please coordinate with PARD staff to determine if any other non-compliant park amenities (e.g., picnic table pads, etc.) will need to be located within the CWQZ or CEF buffers. If so, include that square footage in the calculation of proposed non-compliant development.

**Update 5: Comment cleared.**

**EO 8. Tier 2, #2, environment.** Please provide additional information about the proposed restoration in the CWQZ and CEF buffers. Staff suggests the following draft language:

The PUD shall restore the critical water quality zone and CEF buffer areas identified in Exhibit H, Creek Plan. A restoration plan shall be submitted to the City for review and approval and implemented with each site plan for Parcels 2, 3, 4, and 5. The restoration
plan shall include planting and seeding pursuant to Standard Specification 609S and must demonstrate that the following parameters of Appendix X “Scoring: Zone 2 – Critical Water Quality Zone” shall be raised to “Good (3)” or “Excellent (4)” condition: Gap Frequency, Soil Compaction, Structural Diversity, and Tree Demography.

Per the above language, Exhibit H should show all areas within the CWQZ and 150’ CEF setbacks where existing impervious cover will be removed and restoration will be performed.

Update 4: I understand the intent of the changes, but the proposed language is not acceptable. Staff suggests the following revised language, which would apply to CWQZ/floodplain and upland CEF buffer areas:

“The PUD shall restore the critical water quality zone and CEF buffer areas identified in Exhibit H, Creek Plan. A restoration plan shall be submitted to the City for review and approval and implemented with each site plan for Parcels 2, 3, 4, and 5. The restoration plan shall include planting and seeding pursuant to Standard Specification 609S and must demonstrate that revegetation is adequate to achieve a score of “Good (3)” at maturity for the following parameters of Appendix X “Scoring: Zone 1 – Floodplain Health”: Gap Frequency, Soil Compaction, Structural Diversity, and Tree Demography. The identified Zone 1 parameters shall apply to all restored areas within the CWQZ and CEF buffers. The restoration plan may accommodate a trail or other permitted park improvements, if the location of the improvements has been identified at the time of site plan submittal.”

(Note that the parameters are the same as previously requested, but staff decided Zone 1 is a more appropriate reference.) Staff requests that all restoration areas identified in Exhibit H meet the four identified parameters from Appendix X. Those parameters are appropriate restoration metrics for the CEF buffers/uplands as well as the CWQZ.

As discussed during recent meetings with staff and the Environmental Officer, please update the table to include the commitment to laying back and restoring the western creek bank. Include a drawing showing a conceptual cross section, the area of bank to be laid back, how the pedestrian bridge is to be incorporated, revegetation requirements, etc., as well as text in the Tier 2 table describing the plan with estimated detention volume. Also, include text describing alternative plans in case of subsurface geology preventing maximum lay back area.

Update 5: Informal; please continue to work with staff on document edits as needed.

EO 11. Tier 2, #2, environment. Please provide any known details about the proposed inundation area on Parcel 3 (e.g., that it will be located where impervious cover is removed; whether it will be within the CWQZ or CEF buffers; approximate location, size, depth, etc.). Staff understands that the inundation area will be designed at site plan, but any additional information that can be provided at this time would be useful to include. In order to evaluate the level of superiority provided by the detention area, please provide a comparison of the proposed volume to what the detention requirement would be if the PUD were currently undeveloped.

Update 4: Per recent discussions, update the superiority table and exhibits to remove the detention area on the east bank. Update any related drainage information.

Update 5: Informal; please continue to work with staff on document edits as needed.
EO 12. *Tier 2, #2, environment.* Please continue to work with staff to determine whether the proposed tree removal, protection, and mitigation meet code, require a code modification, and/or contribute to environmental superiority.

Update 4: Repeat comment.

**Update 5: Comment cleared.**

**Exhibit C, Land Use Plan**
EO 14. Please identify the standard 150’ buffer for all CEFs.

Update 4: Please update the label on the inner buffer for the off-site Spicewood Springs; it looks like it should be 150’, not 50’.

**Update 5: Comment cleared.**

EO 15. The CWQZ, 100-year floodplain, and CEF buffers are difficult to read on this plan. Please revise the symbology to better illustrate the environmental features on the land use plan. Can the Erosion Hazard Zone and Drainage Easements be removed to make the plan easier to read?

Update 4: Under 25-8-92(F), the boundaries of a CWQZ in an urban watershed coincide with the boundaries of the 100-year fully developed floodplain, with a minimum width of 50’ and a maximum width of 400’. There are several places where the 100-year fully developed floodplain extends beyond the identified CWQZ. Please correct the CWQZ boundaries to follow the 100-year fully developed floodplain in areas where the floodplain width is between 50’ and 400’ from the creek centerline. (Maintain a minimum CWQZ width of 50’ where the floodplain is narrower than 50’ from centerline.)

**Update 5: Comment cleared.**

**Exhibit H, Creek Plan**
EO 17. As noted in EO [15], the boundaries on this exhibit are difficult to read. Please revise the symbology to better illustrate the environmental features and restoration areas, and remove any information that is not necessary for PUD review (e.g., EHZ, drainage easements, etc.).

Update 4: There are several places where the 100-year fully developed floodplain extends beyond the identified CWQZ. Please correct the CWQZ boundaries to follow the 100-year fully developed floodplain in areas where the floodplain width is between 50’ and 400’ from the creek centerline. (Maintain a minimum CWQZ width of 50’ where the floodplain is narrower than 50’ from centerline.)

**Update 5: Comment cleared.**

EO 18. Please delete notes 1, 2, and 5, and delete or revise notes 3, 4, and 6 to reflect requested changes to the superiority table. All significant elements of the PUD proposal should be included in either the superiority table or a code modification table. Notes on the exhibit can repeat,
reference, or add details to those proposals, but the exhibit notes should not be the only source of this information.

Update 4: Update the restoration language in Note 2 to match the staff suggestion above. Please add a note specifying that the proposed pedestrian bridge must span the erosion hazard zone with one set of piers within the creek channel if necessary.

Note 2 and the restoration language suggested above only apply to areas within the CWQZ and CEF buffer. There are some areas where impervious cover will be removed that are outside of the CWQZ and CEF buffer. Staff suggests specifying that areas outside of the CWQZ and CEF buffer will be planted and seeded pursuant to Standard Specification 609S, but that those areas do not need to achieve a score of “Good” under the floodplain modification parameters.

Update 5: Informal; please continue to work with staff on document edits as needed.

Applicant’s Draft Ordinance
EO 21. Please create a code modification table that includes any proposed changes to existing code. It is difficult to identify and understand all of the proposed code modifications from reading the draft ordinance (e.g., Exhibit F contains code modifications but does not always specify current requirements). If the applicant is proposing to use the redevelopment exception, then the only proposed code modifications to Subchapter 25-8(A) should be to §25-8-25. Please delete the proposed code modifications to §25-8-281 and -372 in Part 12 items 1, 2, and 3.

Update 4: Repeat comment; please work with staff to clarify all proposed environmental code modifications, including the following:
- Any standards that will be calculated over the entire PUD;
- Any current code requirements that the PUD will memorialize; and
- Any modifications to current standards.

Update 5: Comment cleared.

EO 26. Part 9, 4. Please continue to work with staff to determine whether the proposed tree removal, protection, and mitigation meet code, require a code modification, and/or contribute to environmental superiority.

Update 4: Repeat comment.

Update 5: Comment cleared.

EO 27. Part 9, 5. Please delete or propose a specific code modification to §25-8-25.

Update 4: Please work with staff to clarify all proposed environmental code modifications, as requested above. Staff will review the proposed modifications once the request has been clarified. Staff does not agree with the statement that 25-8-25(B)(1) and (3) shall not apply to the PUD; the applicant may request a code modification to allow those requirements to be calculated across the entire PUD.

Update 5: Informal; please continue to work with staff on document edits as needed.
EO 28. *Part 9, 6.* Please delete the first sentence; it is not necessary to restate code requirements.
   Update 4: Please work with staff to clarify all proposed environmental code modifications, as requested above. Staff will review the proposed modifications once the request has been clarified.

   **Update 5: Comment cleared.**

EO 29. *Exhibit D, D.* Please revise to clarify that the Creek ‘‘development’’ consists of the restoration and open space development allowed by code and specified in the superiority table and Exhibit H.
   Update 4: Will the developer construct the trail and pedestrian bridge in addition to performing the restoration?

   **Update 5: Comment cleared.**

EO 30. *Exhibit F, 4.* Please delete; this code modification is not necessary if the PUD is electing to redevelop under §25-8-25.
   Update 4: Please work with staff to clarify all proposed environmental code modifications, as requested above. Staff will review the proposed modifications once the request has been clarified.

   **Update 5: Comment cleared.**

EO 33. *Exhibit F, 11.* This is a code modification to the landscaping requirements. Tier 1 requires PUDs to exceed landscaping requirements. Any code modifications to §25-2-1008(A) must be offset by additional landscaping superiority in order to meet the Tier 1 requirements.
   Update 4: The proposed landscape superiority elements are not adequate to exceed landscaping requirements as required under Tier 1, especially given the requested code modifications.

   **Update 5: Informal, pending document updates. Please incorporate the changes discussed during the meeting with staff on August 24.**

**Exhibit G, AO Park Plan and Park Space**
EO 34. The Parkland Dedication Summary table allocates 14,000 square feet of impervious cover for the Creek Park. Is this number intended to include the trail? If the trail is public it will not count towards the impervious cover limit; however, the square footage of noncompliant development does need to be calculated and incorporated into the PUD. Please clarify whether the 14,000 square feet includes the trail and if so, provide the estimated size of the trail. Any requested park development that would not comply with CWQZ or CEF buffer requirements should be subtracted from the proposed restoration area. See comment EO 7.

   **Update 5: Comment cleared.**
1. Please provide a drainage report with relevant hydrologic and hydraulic analyses showing the proposed detention pond with a volume at least 20,000CF in addition to the existing detention pond on-site (Kroger Pond); the existing and proposed drainage plan for the site; and no adverse impact downstream for 2yr, 10yr, 25yr and 100 yr storm events.

2. Please provide hydrologic analysis to show the required detention pond size for the Austin Oaks site treating the site as green field development and hydraulic analysis to show the impact of such detention volume downstream. Please document this in the drainage report.

3. Consider providing additional detention volume at the water quality pond location.

4. Consider providing detention volume by sloping the banks outward from existing channel.

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**Hydro Geologist Review - Sylvia R. Pope, P.G. - 512-974-3429**

HG 1. There are two geological Critical Environmental Features on Parcel 2 at the southeastern corner of Wood Hollow Drive and Executive Center Drive. These are a canyon rimrock and a seep that is within the canyon rimrock. Their locations are shown on the PUD plan sheets, Exhibits C, H and K. Critical Environmental Feature (CEF) buffers of 50 feet are shown for future reference within this redevelopment. An existing parking lot upslope of the CEFs will be removed within 50 feet of the CEFs. This action may be viewed favorably and contribute to an element of environmental benefit as part of the redevelopment under Chapter 25-8-25. However, additional specific restoration details need to be provided in order for staff to support the proposed restoration as a Tier 2 component.

U4. Applicant responded by saying that the restoration details have been included in the Ordinance. There is a note on Exhibit H that the CWQZ and CEF 50’ buffers will be restored per a restoration plan submitted with the site plans for Parcels 2, 3, 4 and 5. The restoration plan shall include planting and seeding pursuant to Standard Specification 609S. This meets current Code and Criteria Manual requirements and may be counted as a Tier 1 component. **Comment cleared.**

HG 2. There is an offsite spring located to the north of Parcel 7 and north of Spicewood Springs Road. Exhibit K of the Land Use Plan shows a 300-foot radius buffer from the spring and the legend states that the area will be limited to 50% impervious cover. However, this pledged restriction is not repeated in the Tier 1 & Tier 2 compliance table. Please add specific restrictions to the Tier 1 & Tier 2 compliance table.

U4. Applicant responded that the Tier Table has been revised. Tier II, item 2. Environment/Drainage, Page 9 of the table states that the area will be limited to 50%
impervious cover within 300 feet of the spring. Please provide a tally of the existing impervious cover within this area for comparison. **Comment pending.**

U5. The applicant responded with the following: “By limiting the impervious cover within 300’ of the springs, the proposed redevelopment will reduce the impervious cover within the 300’ POS Buffer by 18%. Currently, there is 1.12 acres of impervious cover in this area and by imposing the 50% limitation, the impervious cover cannot exceed .82 acres. The total area within 300 feet of the spring that is contained on the Property is 1.64 acres. We have not calculated the impervious cover on other portions of the 300’ buffer, which includes several homes within the neighborhood across Spicewood Springs Road beyond the Subject Property.”

There will be a reduction in impervious cover within 300 feet of the offsite spring and the proposed redevelopment will reduce the impervious cover by 18%. Please be aware that when future site plans are submitted, there will be an evaluation of proposed excavation within this 300’ CEF setback area shown on Exhibit K. **Comment cleared.**

HG 3. Portions of the PUD are within the Recharge Zone of the Northern Edwards Aquifer and portions close to the eastern perimeter are outside, per surface exposure of geologic units. Although not required under the Redevelopment Exception (LDC 25-8-25), the recommendation is that the PUD agreement should comply with the City of Austin’s Void and Water Flow Mitigation Rule (LDC 25-8-281 (D), ECM 1.12.0 and COA Item No. 658S of the SSM). This is a standard provision for development over the recharge zone and would demonstrate a commitment to protection of groundwater resources.

U4. The applicant responded that they will consider this at the time of site plan. The net effect will be compliance due to the requirement of LDC 25-8-25 (B)(5) that the redevelopment does not increase non-compliance with LDC 25-8-281. **Comment cleared.**

HG 4. Please note that construction of underground parking structures has the potential to intercept shallow groundwater. Due to the proximity of Spicewood Springs, disturbance to groundwater flow paths may have an impact to the Jollyville Plateau Salamander habitat at Spicewood Springs. Please describe how this situation has been evaluated and whether any underground parking structures or excavation greater than 8 feet is proposed on Parcels 7, 8, 9 and 10.

U4. Applicant responded that this matter will be considered at the time of site plan. The owner expects some excavation greater than 8 feet below structures and will conduct appropriate geotechnical investigations at the time of design. This response reflects a desire to meet the minimum Code requirements. **Comment cleared.**

HG 5. A proposed pedestrian trail along the creek is alluded to within the documentation. Please provide additional specific alignment for Parcel 2 and how this will be incorporated into the standard protection for the CEFs. Please evaluate how the area of impervious cover removed and restored contrasts with the area restored within
150 feet of CEFs. Please incorporate proposed measures into the Tier 1 & Tier 2 Compliance table, especially on Item 6.

U4. The applicant provided an exhibit comparing existing impervious cover within 150-feet of CEFs to the proposed land use within the 150-foot radius of the CEFs. Overall, impervious cover will reduce from approximately 1.98 acres to approximately 0.95 acres. The pedestrian trail is shown within the 150-foot radius of the CEFs but only as a tentative location. Future trail construction will be determined at a later time and will be constructed by PARD. **Comment cleared.**

HG 6. The Tier 1 & Tier 2 Compliance table lists in Item 2 of the Tier 2 section several elements of the project that warrant an “environmentally superior” rating. Please provide specific detail in the Land Use plans and Exhibits to the PUD to support that the project is superior in terms of Critical Environmental Feature protection and restoration.

U4. Applicant responded that the Tier Table has been updated and the Ordinance revised. **Comment pending.**

U5. The Environmental Office will be making the determination regarding a rating of environmental compliance. Exhibits C, G, H and K and the Demonstrative Exhibit CEF analysis display areas to be protected. Exhibit H, note 2 provides details regarding restoration within the CWQZ and CEF buffer (also referred to as setback). **Comment cleared.**

FYI, Please address the informal comment from Andrew Clamann, Wetlands Biologist, regarding the terminology used in Note 5 of Exhibit H regarding encountering bedrock in the “Stream Laying Back Area.” The current definition includes unlithified earth material such as soil, alluvium and rock fragments but should refer to lithified, consolidated bedrock.

HG 7. The PUD ordinance, Part 12, specifically excludes LDC sections 25-8-281(C)(1)(a) and 25-8-281(C)(2) of the Critical Environmental Feature provisions. Please strike numbers 2 and 3 from this section.

U4. Applicant responded that the Ordinance was revised. **Comment cleared.**

HG 8. Additional comments may be generated with future updates. **Comment cleared.**

**Minor revisions are required to correct the language in Exhibit H to meet the intent of previous discussions. These revisions can be addressed through an Informal Update in which the Site Plan manager works with Wetland Biologist to ensure the Final submittal is corrected accordingly.**
WB1. Comment **cleared** (wetland CEFs shown as described in ERI)

WB2. Comment **Cleared**. Applicant intends to pursue requesting using the redevelopment exemption, and has shown and labeled the full 150ft Standard CEF setback.

WB3. Comment **Cleared**. (Applicant is preserving CEFs and providing restoration of banks for reduction to CEF setbacks, see WB4)

WB5. Comment **Cleared**. (Provision 7 of Exhibit F related to exemption to wetland protection) was deleted as requested.

WB4. Update 0. Please include language, plan view figures and details in the PUD that unambiguously indicate the riparian buffer restoration activities which will occur within the CEF setback. This should include removal of all impervious cover and restoration of the channel, banks, floodplain benches and riparian corridor to a more natural stream morphology and native plantings. Stream morphology of upstream reach can be used as a template for downstream reach. Proposed restoration shall be approved by ERM prior to PUD approval. Please provide restoration plan to this reviewer.

Update 1. 5/18/2015: In order to mitigate for the reduction to the total area of the Standard CEF Setback for wetland CEFs, applicant must demonstrate compliance with mitigation guidance in ECM 1.10 (formerly ECM 1.3.0). This reviewer recommends enhancement of one bank of the channel north of Executive Center Drive. Currently the historic bank armoring of the channel north of Executive Center Drive has created a narrow cross section which creates increased velocity during storm events that scour in-channel habitat. Restoring a wider cross section to the channel may restore the creek (similar to cross section to the south of Executive Center Drive). Widening the cross section of the channel and restoration of one of the banks north of Executive Center Drive may be considered “enhancement” which shall mitigate for the reduction to the standard CEF setback for wetlands.

Update 2. 8/19/2015: The Note provided (note 52) is ambiguous and does not appear to clearly convey the intent recommended in the two comments above. This reviewer recommends a meeting with applicant to ensure an appropriate and acceptable revision to Update 3. 7/1/2016: The notes provide in Exhibit H and language in the PUD does not convey the intent for restoration as discussed in previous meetings (see Update 0,1,2). As requested in previous updates, and as discussed in previous meetings, please provide clear language to convey the intent for CEF setback restoration, as described above, to include restoring a wider cross section to the channel by laying back one or both of the banks and installing native revegetation. Revegetation is recommended to accomplish a score of “Good” in accordance with the Functional Assessment described in Zone 1 Appendix F.

If applicant intends to pursue requesting using the redevelopment exemption, then it will be imperative to provide superiority. An element of superiority may include the restoration of a wider cross section to the channel by laying back one or both of the banks and installing native revegetation. Revegetation is recommended to accomplish a score of “Good” in accordance with the Functional Assessment described in Zone 1 Appendix F.

Update 4. 7/21/2016. Repeat Comment. (same comment as WB3) To demonstrate superiority and demonstrate compliance with mitigation for disturbance within the 150 CEF setback, previous discussions with applicant have included restoration of bank
slopes to a more natural creek cross section to reduce storm velocities and improve the riparian function of the creek. The notes in the Exhibits and language in the PUD does not convey the intent for restoration as discussed in previous meetings (see WB4) and as discussed on-site July 13, 2016. As requested in previous updates, please provide clear language to convey the intent for restoration activities of the creek bank (same as WB3).

Update 5. Applicant has provided notes and details that address restoration of the riparian zone of the tributary, however minor adjustments to the language in Exhibit H in order to convey the intent of previous discussions. To clear this comment, please:

- Revise Exhibit H, Note 2, third sentence accordingly: “The restoration plan may, at the owner’s option shall accommodate at minimum of ten feet at the top of bank for a future trail or other permitted park improvements.”
- Revise Exhibit H, Note 2, fourth sentence accordingly: “…of the CWQZ or CEF buffer, may shall be planted and…”
- Revise Exhibit H, Note 5 accordingly: “…unless firmly situated rock beneath the surface deposits of soil, alluvium, rock fragments and fill cannot be readily removed without breaking the rock by blasting air tool (hoe ram or jackhammer) or other destructive mechanical means; at which point, the owner will no longer have an obligation to back the bank…[replace with]…and to the extent shown on cross section of Exhibit H, unless bedrock is encountered; cohesive and continuous bedrock that would otherwise require blasting or air tool (i.e. hoe ram or jackhammer) will not be excavated, but will be left in place, top dressed with 12inches of soil, stabilized and vegetated/restored pursuant to Note 2…”
- Please add the following soil specification to the stream restoration area of the cross section figure “Stream Laying Back Section”: twelve inches of topsoil (ECM compliant) and minimum total soil depth of 24”.

NPZ Environmental Review - Atha Phillips - 512-974-6303

Update 4

Informal comments have been given to the Environmental Officer.

City Arborist Review  -  Keith Mars  -  512-974-2755

CA #1: Staff does not support the proposed language in Part 9 statement 4. It is unlikely there is such refinement in conceptual site plans that the specific inches of trees to be removed is known. If submitted plans differ, and removal is greater, then the PUD would grant less mitigation than what is actually proposed on the site plan.

Update #1: Comment cleared. Statement has been removed from the proposed ordinance.
CA #2: Part 9 statement 4: Planting mitigation inches “to the extent feasible” shall be amended to “to the extent feasible as determined by staff”.  
Update #1: Comment was addressed by applicant and modified in the proposed ordinance.

CA #3: Part 9 statement 4: Staff does not agree with the statement that mitigation can be transferred within the PUD as transferring requirements between site plans present tracking and owner/developer concurrence issues.  
Update #1: Comment cleared. Statement has been removed from the proposed ordinance.

CA #4: Part 9 statement 4: Remove the statement regarding mitigation at $200 inch. Mitigation payment, if allowed, will be subject to the rate at site plan submittal.  
Update #1: Comment cleared. Statement has been removed from the proposed ordinance.

CA #5: Part 9 statement 4: Remove the statement regarding credits as this is not clear nor enforceable.  
Update #1: Proposed ordinance language has been amended to reflect alternative mitigation per ECM Section 3.5.0.

CA #6: Part 9 statement 4: Staff does not agree with setting the tree survey date as 2013. Per the ECM surveys must be five years or more recent at the time of site plan submittal.  
Update #1: Staff concurs with the timeline for the tree survey.

CA #7: Part 9 statement 4: Staff does not agree with the statement that, “no additional mitigation will be required and no other trees will be identified as protected or heritage trees”.  
Update #1: Comment cleared. Statement has been removed from the proposed ordinance.

CA #8: On the Tier 1 and Tier 2 document I do not see any documentation that supports the statement that more than 7,000 inches of trees less than 8” will be preserved.  
Update #1: Comment partially addressed. Tier II is partially met.

Tier II  
Protect all heritage- The table needs to state “met as modified”. Include the % of heritage proposed to be protected and removed.  
Protect 75% of protected- Between protected and heritage trees, it appears greater than 75% are preserved. But, as discussed, where you able to identify the additional protected trees/inches to achieve 75% or greater of Protected Trees?  
Protect 75% of all native inches- Please identify the size range on the “diameter inches of unprotected trees in undisturbed areas” tree sampling so we can modify this to state 75% of all native inches (insert inches), and greater.

CA #9: Provide the tree survey including species and diameter and include the tree assessment.  
Update #1: Comment cleared.
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This project is located at 3429 EXECUTIVE CENTER DR and is within the Shoal Creek watershed(s), which are classified as Urban Watersheds. This project is not located within the Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone.

DE1. Please provide a complete Tier 1 and Tier 2 table for review. Tier 1 should speak to how the project is meeting current code and asking for variances when it does not meet the requirements of current code. Tier 2 should speak to how the project will go above and beyond current code.

UPDATE #1: Based on review of the Tier 1 and 2 table provided:
- You stated ‘Yes’ to volumetric detention. However you are not providing designed volumetric detention. Please change to ‘No’
- You stated ‘Yes’ to no modifications to the existing floodplain; However the proposed pond is in the floodplain and if one of the banks is being asked to be pulled back. FYI – any modifications in a FEMA floodplain may require a LOMR.

UPDATE #2: The item in the Tier 2 table stating “Provides volumetric flood detention as described in the Drainage Criteria Manual” should state “No” – please revise. The PUD is not providing volumetric detention. The definition of volumetric detention is “The VDP method addresses downstream flooding related to timing issues and excess runoff volume by restricting the detention release volume to existing conditions during the Critical Time Period of the watershed.”

DE2. Exhibit F – Please remove item #8. Any drainage studies required will be reviewed at the appropriate review process based on what is being proposed. Please also remove the statement regarding drainage studies from item #9.

UPDATE #1: The requirement for additional drainage studies will be determined at the site plan stage per parcel. Typically, the need for onsite detention is determined at the site plan stage per parcel. For this PUD, we request demonstrating you have proposed as much onsite detention as possible. We also request Regional Stormwater Management Participation with a fee calculated based on greenfield conditions. You would receive credit for the onsite detention provided. This is in-line with what is proposed with Code Next for redeveloped properties and is recommended by staff.

UPDATE #2: Please remove the RSMP dollar amount from the PUD documents as it will be calculated at the time of payment. Please remove RSMP from the ‘volumetric detention’ item and include as its own line item. Please include a statement that the detention flood mitigation and RSMP fee must be completed prior to the issuance of the permit for the first site plan submitted in the PUD; and that the project must show no-adverse impact downstream for the 2, 10, 25 and 100-year storm events down to the confluence with Shoal Creek.
DE3. Part 9 – please remove item #6. The requirement for detention will be reviewed at each parcel’s site plan review. Factors in addition to impervious cover amount are reviewed when determining detention requirement.

UPDATE #1: Please see comment DE2 above.

UPDATE #2: Detention should not be required if the analysis is performed for the PUD as a whole, RSMP fee paid, and detention flood mitigation provided prior to the issuance of the permit for the first site plan submitted as stated in DE2 above. This comment will be cleared once the statements from DE2 above are included in the PUD document.

NPZ Water Quality Review - Danielle Guevara 512-974-3011

Friday, August 26, 2016
RELEASE OF THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A VERIFICATION OF ALL DATA, INFORMATION, AND CALCULATIONS SUPPLIED BY THE APPLICANT. THE ENGINEER OF RECORD IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COMPLETENESS, ACCURACY, AND ADEQUACY OF HIS/HER SUBMITTAL, WHETHER OR NOT THE APPLICATION IS REVIEWED FOR CODE COMPLIANCE BY CITY ENGINEERS.

This project is located at 3429 EXECUTIVE CENTER DR and is within the Shoal Creek watershed(s), which are classified as Urban Watersheds. This project located within the Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone.

WQ1. Please provide a complete Tier 1 and Tier 2 table for review. Tier 1 should speak to how the project is meeting current code and asking for variances when it does not meet the requirements of current code. Tier 2 should speak to how the project will go above and beyond current code. Providing water quality controls and an IPM plan are listed as superior, however these are items required by Code/Criteria and would not be considered superior.

UPDATE #1: Based on review of the Tier 1 and 2 table provided:
- Under the Tier 2 items, you still have included a statement regarding this project providing water quality treatment. Please remove this from the Tier 2 table as this would be a requirement per current code – it is not a Tier 2 item.

UPDATE #2: Though this is still present in the Tier 2 table under ‘reason’, the item of “provides water quality controls superior to those otherwise required by code” is listed as “No”. Therefore, this comment is cleared.

WQ3. EHZ Analysis – Please provide an EHZ analysis that complies with the Drainage Criteria Manual, Appendix E. At a minimum, the channel geometry, side slope, incision factor, and 2-year WSE should be provided.

UPDATE #1: I suggest handling the EHZ analysis review at the site plan stage per parcel. Otherwise, the current analysis will need to be reviewed by our Streambank
Restoration group of Watershed Protection since you are using an alternative method of analysis. Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

**UPDATE #2: Pending approval by Watershed Protection of revised EHZ analysis submitted.**

WQ6. Exhibit D – the IPM plan should be done at the site plan stage for each parcel as it should be specific to what is being proposed with that particular site plan.

**UPDATE #1:** Please remove this from the Tier 2 items in the table provided.

**UPDATE #2:** Item no longer found in the Tier 2 table. Comment cleared.

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**DSD Transportation Review - Bryan Golden - 512-974-3124**

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

**TIER 1 REQUIREMENTS (Division 5. Planned Unit Developments)**

**TR1.** *Comment cleared.*

**TR2.** *Requirement #9:* Bike and Trails will review PUD and may provide additional recommendations. The “Heritage Trail” needs to be within a dedicated public easement to ensure access.

- Provide a mid-block pedestrian and bicycle pathway within a public easement between Parcel 8 and Parcel 7 connecting Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs (Min 8’ width). Specific location to be determined at time of site plan.

  U1: Please revise Streetscape Plan, Note #2 to read “with specific location subject to owner discretion.”

  U2: *Comment cleared.*

- *Comment cleared.*

- Additional comments pending final recommendations of the TIA.

  U1: *Comments pending.*

**TR3.** *Comment cleared.*

**TR4.** *Additional Requirements for Mixed-Use: Requirement #1.* The proposed cross section of Wood Hollow Drive does not meet the minimum standard requirements of 25-2, Subchapter E. Planting zones should be 7’ minimum. Minimum requirements of Core Transit Corridor standards required for mixed-use projects within the Urban Roadway boundary (with trees 30’ on center where possible).
U1: Add a note that trees 30’ on center required, where feasible. Please note that an additional 2’ from the edge of the existing sidewalks is needed for maintenance. An easement, if necessary, may be established at the time of site plan or included as a note in these cross sections. Re: the west side of Wood Hollow, a note may be added: *Due to topography constraints, planting zone may be reduced to 6’ where necessary, otherwise 7’ required.

U2: Please add a note that sidewalk easement is required on all streets where the required sidewalk is on-site.

TR5.  
Comment cleared.

TR6.  
Additional Requirements for Mixed-Use: Requirement #2.) Internal and abutting (Hart and Spicewood Springs) roadways must meet Subchapter E, Core Transit Corridor requirements. To comply:

- Executive Center Drive – Min. 6’ sidewalks requirement. Must provide public access/sidewalk easement for “Heritage Trail” and street trees are required in the planting zone at no greater than 30’ on center, where possible.

U1: Note that a sidewalk easement may be required on the south side of Executive Center Drive.

U2: Comment not addressed. Please add a note that sidewalk easement is required on all streets where the required sidewalk is on-site.

- Wood Hollow - Min. 6’ sidewalks requirement. Must provide public access/sidewalk easement where the sidewalk enters private property and street trees are required in the planting zone at no greater than 30’ on center, where possible.

U1: Add a note that trees 30’ on center required, where feasible. Please note that an additional 2’ from the edge of the existing sidewalks is needed for maintenance. An easement, if necessary, may be established at the time of site plan or included as a note in these cross sections.

A Hart Lane streetscape plan is recommended. Please include a streetscape cross section or include a note on the Streetscape Plan that Hart Lane is subject to Subchapter E Core Transit Corridor standards.

U2: Comment cleared.

TIER II REQUIREMENTS

TR7.  
4.) Comment cleared.
• Include the “Heritage Trail” approximate location in the Land Use or Park exhibit or a new transportation exhibit. The cross section of Wood Hollow Drive does not meet the minimum standard requirements of 25-2, Subchapter E. Planting zones must be 7’ minimum; please revise. Recommend upgrading min. requirements to Core Transit Corridor standards for roadways.

U1: Add a note that trees 30’ on center required, where feasible. Please note that an additional 2’ from the edge of the existing sidewalks is needed for maintenance. An easement, if necessary, may be established at the time of site plan or included as a note in these cross sections.

U2: Comment cleared.

• Comment cleared (duplicate of TR 2).

DRAFT ORDINANCE COMMENTS
GENERAL PROVISIONS

TR8.  Comment cleared with proposed tracking table.

TR9.  Comment cleared.

TR10.  Staff does not support Note #12. Off-street loading and delivery must be off-street. Recommend revising comment to note that off-street loading is permitted to use alternative sizing and number of spaces requirement; to be subject to approval by Staff at the time of site plan.

TR11.  

U1: Using the public right-of-way for maneuvering should be an administrative waiver (currently under the TCM), to be reviewed at the time of site plan. A blanket waiver for all public ROW maneuvering is not supported at the time. All other amendments are supported, however alternate sizing and number of spaces requirement may be permitted “by the Director” at the time of site plan. Please revise the language.

U2: Comment cleared.

TR12.  Comment cleared.

Part 8:


U1: Exhibit E: General Provision #2: Surface parking provision for retail conflicts with the structured parking requirement/provision (for retail) within the same note. “Visitor or customer parking” is too vague without limitation. How will
surface parking be limited in general? A combined transportation section of draft ordinance is still recommended.

U2: If the ‘surface parking’ is solely in reference to on-street parking then this needs to be stated so.

TR14. Note #3: Pending TIA review and TR 4 and TR 22.

U1: Please add, “…and as required by the TIA.”
U2: This edit does not appear to have been made. Reference Part 8, Note #3.

TR15. Comment cleared.

TR16. Comment cleared.

Part 11:

TR17. Note #1: Revise “shared parking” to “cumulative” or “reciprocal.”

U1: Please include a reference to the provided tracking table under Note #3 (on-street parking). Note #1 comment is cleared.
U2: Comment cleared.

EXHIBIT C: LAND USE PLAN

TR18. Note the proposed approximate location of the “Heritage Trail.”

U1: Please add the Heritage Trail (approx.) location to the Streetscape Exhibit.
U2: Comment cleared.

EXHIBIT I (STREETSCAPE PLAN)

TR19. Comment cleared.

GENERAL ZONING

TR20. Comment cleared.


TR22. Nadia Barrera, Urban Trails, Public Works Department and Nathan Wilkes, Bicycle Program, Austin Transportation Department may provide additional comments regarding bicycle and pedestrian connectivity per the Council Resolution No. 20130620-056.

U2: Comments pending. Please email a pdf of the streetscape exhibits to the reviewer to coordinate review with other disciplines.
TR23. Additional comments pending TIA review. Results will be provided via separate memorandum.

U2: Comments pending.

TR24. Existing Street Characteristics:

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NEW COMMENT (EXHIBIT D)

TR25. Note B) #2 and B) #3 – remove these notes and replace with a reference to the phasing that will be established with the TIA final memo.

U2: Comment not addressed. The TIA addresses the phasing of mitigation.

TR26. Note G) – How will the parking requirement for existing uses be tracked? Recommend adding an existing parking count by parcel to the proposed parking tracking table.

U2: Comment cleared.

TR27. Additional comments may be provided when more complete information is obtained.

Austin Transportation Dept. TIA Review – Scott James 512-974-2208

TIA still under review.
1. PART 2 – Remove the last sentence of this paragraph that refers to grandfathering.  
   Still in discussion.

2. PART 5, no. 1, definitions for H and K - STREETSCAPE” and “CREEK” should not be land use classifications. If the intent is to define these areas only, please remove the reference to a land use classification in the definition.  
   Still in discussion.

3. PART 7, no. 2 – this is a restatement of current code and is not necessary to state in the PUD ordinance.  
   Still in discussion.

4. PART 11, no. 3 – this is a restatement of current code and is not necessary to state in the PUD ordinance.  
   Still in discussion.

5. Exhibit C – LUP - Provide a legend.  
   Still in discussion.

6. Exhibit E - Review the proposed permitted use table with Staff.  
   Still in discussion.

7. Exhibit F, no. 3 – this is a restatement of current code and is not necessary to state in the PUD ordinance.  
   Still in discussion.

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<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The property is 31.4 acres located within an Urban Watershed and is situated at the intersection of a Highway and a Major Arterial, and consists of a dated and conventional office park with surface parking developed in the 1970's and 1980's. Due to its age and the intervening regional infill and development of the area, it is a prime candidate for redevelopment. As the result of a week-long design charrette facilitated by nationally recognized architect Doug Farr, at which representatives of various neighborhood associations as well as the City and other interested stakeholders participated and provided input, a balanced and cohesive plan was developed. The resulting plan reflects a walkable and multi-modal, mixed-use project integrating residential, retail, hotel, restaurant and parkland uses in addition to office use.</td>
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<td>2. Provide for development standards that achieve equal or greater consistency with the goals in Section 1.1 than development under the regulations in the Land Development Code.</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The project will improve the natural environment by reducing the amount of impervious cover that presently exists on the site and is less than the amount that could be developed under existing entitlements. Additionally, such design allows a high percentage of Protected and Heritage trees to be preserved. The project will replace an outdated office project that has no water quality controls with a mixed-use project that provides water quality facilities and that provides public open space areas and uses. The project will remove approximately 1 acre of existing untreated surface parking lot impervious cover located in or immediately adjacent to the Critical Water Quality Zone and Critical Environmental Features and will provide some restoration as well as habitat enhancements to a creek and natural areas. The project provides enhancement of pedestrian and bicycle access to and throughout the site, including on-street bike lanes and development of a pedestrian “Heritage Trail” connecting the Neighborhood Park and creek, and preservation and enhancement of many of the existing Oak trees along most of Executive Center Drive. The project includes approximately 8.50 acres of on-site parkland, which will be improved in accordance with a plan developed during the charrette with neighborhood and City staff input (e.g. Neighborhood Park on Parcel 10 and Heritage Park on Parcel 8). More than 5.22 acres of on-site parkland are</td>
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<td>3. Provide a total amount of open space that equals or exceeds 10% of the residential tracts, 15% of the industrial tracts, and 20% of the nonresidential tracts within the PUD, except that: a. A detention or filtration area is excluded from the calculation unless it is designed and maintained as an amenity, and b. The required percentage of open space may be reduced for urban property with characteristic that make open space infeasible if other community benefits are provided.</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The project will provide open space equal to more than 35% of the Property's total area (approximately 11.01 acres of 31.4 acres), which exceeds the minimum open space requirements by 41%. This percentage exceeds the cumulative requirements of 10% of residential tracts and 20% of the nonresidential tracts within the PUD. Filtration areas are excluded from the calculation. A new Exhibit L has been added to the draft ordinance, which sets forth most of the open space that will be provided throughout the Property; however, Exhibit L only shows the primary open space areas and does not include additional open space areas within the Property between buildings, parking areas and streets -- all of which would further increase the overall open space. Exhibit L shows a minimum of 11.01 acres of open space, which is 41% more open space than is required.</td>
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<td>4. Comply with the City's Planned Unit Development Green Building Program.</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The project will comply with the requirements of the Austin Energy Green Building (AEGB) rating system using the applicable rating version in effect at the time a rating application is submitted for a building at a 2-Star Level.</td>
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<td>5. Be consistent with the applicable neighborhood plans, neighborhood conservation combining district regulations, historic area and landmark regulations and compatible with adjacent property and land uses.</td>
<td>Yes. The Property is not located within a City of Austin Neighborhood Planning Area nor a neighborhood conservation or combining district. The uses and design of the project are compatible with the surrounding properties and are based on design strategies, objectives and measures established by the neighborhood stakeholders and provided to the design team at the charrette. While the project is not fully compliant with all compatibility regulations, it is based on established urban design principles to create a unified context sensitive to the built environment that has lower heights in the areas closest to single family residential uses across Spicewood Springs Road and Hart Lane to minimize the impact on single family residential uses. In addition to this step-down plan, on-site parkland and open space is located along the western and northern edge of the project, closest to single family residential uses across Hart Lane and north of Spicewood Springs Road. The project will remove approximately 1.6 acres of existing untreated surface parking impervious cover located within the Critical Water Quality Zone and CEF buffers. The project is designed to utilize far less impervious cover than (a) is located on the site in its existing condition (proposed 58% versus existing 66%) and (b) is available under existing zoning and watershed rules (proposed 58% versus 70/90%). As part of the charrette outcome, it was determined that additional impervious coverage with the buildings on the updated plan was more compatible with the adjacent neighborhood to less impervious cover with the taller buildings, as submitted in the initial proposals for the project.</td>
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|   | 6. Provide for environmental preservation and protection relating to air quality, water quality, trees, buffer zones and greenbelt areas, critical environmental features, soils, waterways, topography and the natural and traditional character of the land. | Yes. | The updated plan as submitted includes a Park Plan, Creek Plan, a Streetscape Plan, a Tree Plan, and an Open Space Plan which provide for environmental preservation and protection of open space and greenbelt areas throughout the development, and pedestrian linkages that are designed around the natural features and the existing Oaks along Executive Center Drive.  

The project is designed to preserve a meaningful number of the Heritage trees on the site, and the updated plan additionally preserves more than 7,000 caliper inches of trees less than 8” caliper, which could otherwise be removed.  

The Property currently has no water quality controls and has impervious cover such as surface asphalt parking areas within the Critical Water Quality Zone. The updated plan as submitted will provide water quality controls and will remove impervious cover from the Critical Water Quality Zone. Impervious cover will also be removed around tree critical root zones, and trees and landscaping will be featured and protected along the Heritage Trail, as shown on the exhibits to the submittal.  

The PUD designates three types of Critical Environmental Features, a Rimrock, Wetlands and Seep, and provides for a minimum 50-foot buffer from each feature. Existing surface parking lot impervious cover will be removed from the 50' buffer designation.  

There is approximately 2.2 acres of impervious cover within the floodplain, CWQZ and CEF buffers. The proposed redevelopment plan calls for a reduction of approximately 1.6 acres of impervious cover. |
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|   | 7. Provide for public facilities and services that are adequate to support the proposed development including school, fire protection, emergency service and police facilities. | Yes. | Based on City of Austin record data, sufficient infrastructure exists on the Property, with the exception of a water line that would need to be enlarged at the site plan phase; this would be done at the owner’s expense.  

In addition to paying a pro rata share for future traffic improvements, traffic mitigation measures also include specific improvements at nearby intersections such as Hart Lane and Spicewood Springs Road. |
The Park Plan contains 2.37 acres, which currently comprise an office building and surface parking, and will be redeveloped as a Neighborhood Park as provided in the Park Plan at the developer's cost of approximately $1,546,500 before it is deeded to the City; this money can also be used to redevelop the Heritage Park located on Parcel 8. The Creek Plan will also have more than 5 acres of public parkland. The Heritage Trail will provide pedestrian connectivity between these two park destinations.

| 8. Exceed the minimum landscaping requirements of the City Code. | Yes. | The project will exceed the minimum landscaping requirements of the Code and require the utilization of native and adaptive species and non-invasive plants per the Grow Green Program. Specifically, at least 75% of the total plant material planted, exclusive of turf and land within dedicated Parkland, shall be native to Central Texas or on the Grow Green Native and Adapted Landscape Plants. An Integrated Pest Management program will be implemented following the guidelines developed by the Grow Green Program in order to limit the use of pesticides on site. In addition, the owner will increase the requirements set forth in Section 2.4.1(D) of the Environmental Criteria Manual related to Street Yard Trees to provide the following: • 75% of the street trees planted from the Preferred Plan List, rather than 60%; • Planted street trees will be no less than 8 feet in initial height, rather than 6 feet; • Planted street trees will be no less than 3 inch caliper measured at six inches above grade, rather than 1.5 inch caliper; • No more than 30% of planted street trees will be from the same species, rather than 50%. |
| 9. Provide for appropriate transportation and mass transit connections to areas adjacent to the PUD district and mitigation of adverse cumulative transportation impacts with sidewalks, trails and roadways. | Yes. | The project is situated in close proximity to entrance/exit point of the MoPac Expressway Managed Lane, currently under construction, allowing access into and out of the areas served by MoPac. The Imagine Austin Plan designates the adjacent Mopac/Anderson Lane intersection as a “High Capacity Transit Stop”. Additionally, a Metro Rapid station is located at Anderson Lane east of Mopac, and on-street bicycle lanes are located along Spicewood Springs, Hart Lane, and Wood Hollow |
Drive allowing direct access to the Metro Rapid Bus Station.

Currently, Executive Center Drive does not provide bike lanes; the redevelopment plan includes on-street bicycle lanes for Executive Center Drive.

The cross-section of the Heritage Trail along Executive Center Drive illustrates the focus on pedestrian orientation; and separated sidewalks along other portions of the streets, along with dedicated bike lanes on Executive Center Drive, reflect a high level of connectivity for bicyclists, pedestrians, and drivers. Additionally, a pedestrian walk and bridge will be built before conveyed to the City in order to provide connectivity across the creek.

An updated TIA has been completed for the updated plan and will be reviewed by staff to determine appropriate (and proportional) transportation improvements needed in the area.

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<th>10. Prohibit gated roadways.</th>
<th>Yes.</th>
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<td>11. Protect, enhance and preserve the areas that include structures or sites that are of architectural, historical, archaeological or cultural significance.</td>
<td>Not Applicable.</td>
<td>The property does not have any known architectural, historical or archeological areas of significance.</td>
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<td>12. Include at least 10 acres of land, unless the property is characterized by special circumstances, including unique topographic constraints.</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The project is over 31 acres and exceeds the 10 acre requirement.</td>
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<td>1. Comply with Chapter 25-2, Subchapter E, Chapter 25-2 (Design Standards and Mixed Use)</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The plan substantially complies with the intent of the Commercial Design Standards and reflects alternative equivalent compliance to obtain full compliance that is responsive to the existing site conditions and incorporate and account for the environmental features. The mixed use design standards developed during the design charrette are reflected in the Land Use Plan and accompanying exhibits. In fact, the Land Use Plan and the exhibits reflect what is believed to be a superior approach to planting zones, clear zones, and building placement appropriate for the site conditions, given the existing environmental constraints and preservation of trees.</td>
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<td>2. Inside the Urban Roadway boundary depicted in Figure 2, Subchapter E, Chapter 25-2 (Design Standards and Mixed Use), comply with the sidewalk standards in Section 2.2.2, Subchapter E, Chapter 25-2 (Core Transit Corridor Sidewalk and Building Placement).</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The updated plan substantially complies with the intent of the Commercial Design Standards and reflects alternative equivalent compliance to obtain full compliance, as developed during the design charrette and reflected in the Land Use Plan and required by the accompanying exhibits. In fact, the Land Use Plan and the exhibits reflect what is believed to be a superior approach to planting zones, clear zones, and building placement appropriate for the site conditions, given the existing environmental constraints.</td>
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<td>3. Contain pedestrian oriented uses as defined in Section 25-2-691(C) (Waterfront Overlay District Uses) on the first floor of a multi-story commercial or mixed use building.</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>The updated plan allows pedestrian-oriented uses on the ground floor of buildings fronting on Executive Center Drive and the pedestrian Heritage Trail, and has designated specific retail spaces fronting or combined into parking garages along Executive Center Drive and within the Mixed Use Parcel.</td>
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<td>1. Open Space – Provide open space at least 10% above the requirements of Section 2.3.1.A (Minimum Requirements). Alternatively, within the Urban Roadway boundary established in Figure 2 of Subchapter E of Chapter 25-2 (Design Standards and Mixed Use), provide for proportional enhancements to existing or planned trails, parks, or other recreational common open space in consultation with the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department.</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>35% of gross site area (more than 11 acres) is proposed as open space, which is 41% more open space than required per Tier 1 regulations for residential and commercial uses (3 acres more than required). The Property is within the Urban Roadway boundary and the owner will provide bike lanes, pedestrian paths, and sidewalks throughout -- see Land Use Plan and Streetscape Plan. A new Exhibit L has been added to the draft ordinance, which sets forth most of the open space that will be provided throughout the Property; however, Exhibit L only shows the primary open space areas and does not include additional open space areas within the Property between buildings, parking areas and streets -- all of which would further increase the overall open space. Exhibit L shows a minimum of 11.01 acres of open space, which is 41% more open space than is required. Exhibit G has been further revised to show that a total of 8.50 acres of Park space will be dedicated and available to the public; however, the credited parkland is 5.34 acres which is what would be required for 250 multifamily units and 100 hotel rooms (actual required amount would be 4.79 acres under the current code; under the parkland dedication requirements that applied at the time the rezoning application was filed, the parkland dedication amount is 2.125 acres). A portion of the dedicated property that is located between the 50’ and 150’ setback from a CEF and currently includes surface parking will be reclaimed and restored to provide an area that may be used for park improvements under Section 25-8-25 (Redevelopment provision of the Code). Moreover, the owner is also contributing $1,546,500, which is 5x more than would be required if the owner paid a fee-in-lieu for the parkland dedication requirement under the current ordinance. Restoration and enhancement of the drainageways within the PUD shall be provided in accordance with the Creek Plan.</td>
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<td>2. Environment/Drainage a</td>
<td>Yes.</td>
<td>Complies with current code instead of asserting entitlement to follow older code provisions by application of law or agreement. <strong>Reason:</strong> Because this is an existing development with structures built in the 1970s and 1980s, the owner will redevelop pursuant to current code provision Section 25-8-25 of the City Code applied on an overall basis, which requires the level of water quality treatment prescribed by current regulations. The owner is not...</td>
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| b | No | Provides water quality controls superior to those otherwise required by code.  
**Reason:** The site currently has NO water quality treatment facilities and currently has a considerable amount of impervious cover within the Critical Water Quality Zone and within CEF buffers. The redevelopment will provide water quality facilities meeting current code and remove existing surface parking within the CWQZ that would not be required under current code. |
| c | No | Uses green water quality controls as described in the Environmental Criteria Manual to treat at least 50 percent of the water quality volume required by code.  
**Reason:** The opportunity to use green water quality controls is explicitly provided for; however, the site conditions - including tree preservation and topography - make it impossible to commit to such a benchmark without full site plan engineering and substantial regrading of the site. |
| d | N/A | Provides water quality treatment for currently untreated, developed off-site areas of at least 10 acres in size.  
**Reason:** Off-site areas do not readily drain to areas of the site that would allow for capture by proposed site water quality ponds. Other environmental Tier II factors have been achieved. |
| e | Yes | Reduces impervious cover by five percent below the maximum otherwise allowed by code or includes off-site measures that lower overall impervious cover within the same watershed by five percent below that allowed by code.  
**Reason:** Impervious cover is limited to (58%) for the entire Property and is calculated on an aggregate (i.e., entire site) basis. The updated plan reduces impervious cover by more than 5% below the maximum otherwise allowed by the Code; the maximum impervious cover otherwise allowed under the current code is 66%.  
In addition, impervious cover within the portion of the PUD located within 300 feet of the existing off-site springs as shown on Exhibit C (Land Use Plan) shall be limited to 50%. |
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<td>Provides minimum 50-foot setback for at least 50 percent of all unclassified waterways with a drainage area of 32 acres.</td>
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| g | No | Provides volumetric flood detention as described in the Drainage Criteria Manual.  
Reason: The Owner has agreed to a minimum of 20,000 cubic feet of detention either by laying back a portion of the West side of the unnamed creek bank on Parcels 4 and 5, or creating a dual-use detention/parkland area within the AO Creek Boundary on the East side of the unnamed creek bank; either of which will create flood detention. See Additional Benefit below.  
An updated AO Creek Plan includes the layback area. |
| h | No | Provides drainage upgrades to off-site drainage infrastructure that does not meet current criteria in the Drainage or Environmental Criteria Manuals, such as storm drains and culverts that provide a public benefit. |
| i | Yes | Proposes no modifications to the existing 100-year floodplain. |
| j | Yes | Uses natural channel design techniques as described in the Drainage Criteria Manual.  
Reason: An Erosion Hazard Zone report has been provided which establishes that the natural channel was originally reconfigured to its current embankment condition. "Natural channel design techniques" are proposed to partially re-establish and improve the channel character. |
| k | Yes | Restores riparian vegetation in existing, degraded Critical Water Quality Zone areas.  
Reason: Construction within the CWQZ and the CEF Buffer shall include the removal of existing surface parking lots and restoration of such areas. A restoration plan for each site plan for Parcels 2, 3, 4 and 5 shall be submitted to the City for review and approval if it complies with the following: (i) Planting and seeding pursuant to the Standard Specification 609S, and (ii) Revegetation adequate to achieve a score of "Good (3)" at maturity for the following parameters of Environmental Criteria Manual Appendix X "Scoring: Zone 1 - Floodplain Health": Gap Frequency, Soil Compaction, Structural Diversity, and Tree Demography. The identified Zone 1 Parameters shall apply to all restored areas. |
Austin Oaks  
Tier 1 & Tier 2 Compliance  
September 1, 2016

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<th>within the CWQZ and CEF buffers. The restoration plan may accommodate a trail or other permitted park improvements. Restoration of existing parking lot areas within the AO Creek Plan, and outside of the CWQZ or CEF buffer, shall be planted and seeded pursuant to Standard Specification 609S..</th>
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| l | Yes | Removes existing impervious cover from the Critical Water Quality Zone.  
**Reason:** There is approximately 2.2 acres of impervious cover within the floodplain, CWQZ and CEF buffers. The proposed redevelopment plan calls for a reduction of approximately 1.6 acres of impervious cover. |
| m | Yes, as modified. | Preserves all heritage trees; preserves 75% of the caliper inches associated with native protected size trees; and preserves 75% of all of the native caliper inches.  
**Reason:** The owner will preserve 75% of all of the native caliper inches (1 inch or greater) and will preserve 75% of the total caliper inches of protected and heritage trees together. In addition, the updated plan preserves more than 7,000 caliper inches of trees less than 8" caliper, which could otherwise be removed. |
| n | No | Tree plantings use Central Texas seed stock native and with adequate soil volume.  
**Reason:** Given the number of trees on the site, as staff noted, it would be very difficult (if not impossible in many cases) to achieve the increased standards that the City has suggested for soil volume without damaging the critical root zone of preserved trees. In the conditions on this site, the City's suggested soil volume would necessitate root ball intrusion among the preserved trees. |
| o | Yes, as modified. | Provides at least a 50 percent increase in the minimum waterway and/or critical environmental feature setbacks required by code.  
**Reason:** Although no removal of the current impervious cover would otherwise be required under Section 25-8-25 - even in the waterway and CEF buffers -- there is a 95% reduction of impervious cover in the CWQZ (the only proposed impervious cover in the redevelopment plan are sidewalks to a pedestrian bridge), a 58% reduction in impervious cover within the rimrock/seep setback, and a 74% reduction of impervious cover within the wetland setback. |
| p | Yes | Clusters impervious cover and disturbed areas in a manner that preserves the most environmentally sensitive areas of the site that are not otherwise protected.  
**Reason:** One objective of the Design Charrette was to find a way to reduce... |
impervious cover and create open space (in this case 41% more open space than required). In order to achieve the park space, Heritage Trail, and Creek area, the redevelopment was clustered. For example, the redevelopment plan has focused the most significant redevelopment density in areas closer to MoPac frontage. In addition, areas that would otherwise be opportune for redevelopment will remain either open space or be credited as parkland; especially the more than 1 acre reduction of impervious cover within the CEF buffers.

In addition, impervious cover within the portion of the PUD located within 300 feet of the existing off-site springs as shown on Exhibit C (Land Use Plan) shall be limited to 50%.

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<td>Provides porous pavement for at least 20 percent or more of all paved areas for non-pedestrian in non-aquifer recharge areas.</td>
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<td>Provides rainwater harvesting for landscape irrigation to serve not less than 50% of the landscaped areas.</td>
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<td>Directs stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces to a landscaped area at least equal to the total required landscape area.</td>
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<td>Additionally, the project prohibits uses that may contribute air and water quality pollutants (e.g., Automotive Repair Services, Automotive Washing (except as accessory use to office)), which are otherwise presently permitted uses under the existing zoning and other regulations.</td>
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<td>The Owner has agreed to provide a minimum of 20,000 cubic feet of detention storage prior to and as a condition precedent for the issuance of a permanent Certificate of Occupancy for the building(s) to be constructed on the last of Parcel 4 or Parcel 5 to be developed. The Owner has agreed to lay back a portion of the West side of the unnamed creek bank on Parcels 4 and 5, which will create additional flood detention within the existing &quot;Koger&quot; pond as simulated in the City's...</td>
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hydrologic model. The expectation is that potentially up to 43,000 cubic feet of detention may be provided as a result of the creek lay back plan. The total amount of flood detention is unknown and depends on whether the firmly situated rock that lies beneath the surface deposits of soil, alluvium, rock fragments and fill can be readily removed without breaking the rock by blasting, air tool (hoe ram or jackhammer) or other destructive mechanical means. If the Owner is unable to achieve a minimum of 20,000 cubic feet of additional detention by laying back the West side of the unnamed creek bank, the Owner will create a dual-use detention/parkland area within the AO Creek Boundary on the East side of the unnamed creek bank such that at least a total of 20,000 cubic feet of detention is provided between the lay back on the West side and the detention/parkland area on the East side of the unnamed creek.

Each site plan must show no-adverse impact downstream for the 2, 10, 25 and 100-year storm events down to the confluence with Shoal Creek, based on a PUD-wide analysis; however, for purposes of any drainage analysis or evaluation, the entire PUD Property will be considered a single site for the drainage analysis and such drainage analysis will utilize the existing impervious cover of the PUD Property as the underlying benchmark, which is 66% of the gross site area.

### 3. Community Amenities –
Provides community or public amenities, which may include space for community meetings, day care facilities, non-profit organizations, or other uses that fulfill an identified community need.

| Yes. | The updated plan provides a minimum of 11 acres of open space. Parcel 10 will be redeveloped as a neighborhood park as provided in the Park Plan at the developer’s cost before it is deeded to the City. Parkland is distributed through the redevelopment plan to encourage community use. Additionally, a variety of multimodal connections (including proposed bus shelters) promote access to the parkland. |

### 4. Transportation –
Provides bicycle facilities that connect to existing or planned bicycle routes or provides other multimodal transportation

| Yes. | The proposed on-site and off-site improvements for the project include enhancing pedestrian and bicycle access to and through the site, including the development of a pedestrian Heritage Trail linking Hart Lane to Wood Hollow as reflected in the Streetscape Plan and the Tree and Landscaping Plan to highlight and preserve the oak trees along most of Executive Center Drive. Dedicated on-street bike lanes will be provided along the length of Executive Center Drive to connect to existing bike lanes along Hart Lane and Wood Hollow Dr. |
| features not required by code. | The Cross-section of the “Heritage Trail” within the Streetscape Plan along Executive Center Drive illustrates the pedestrian orientation promoted within the development. In addition, separated pedestrian walks along other portions of the streets as well as the pedestrian bridge and trails shown in the Creek Plan will provide a high level of connectivity for pedestrians and bicyclists. Bus stops are designated at Wood Hollow Drive and Executive Center Drive, and Hart Lane and Executive Center Drive, subject to Capital Metro necessity and approval.

The multi-modal routes promote accessibility to public destinations within the updated plan. |
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| 5. Affordable Housing – Provides for affordable housing or participation in programs to achieve affordable housing. | Yes. The project will comply with Planned Unit Development regulations for affordable housing. Participation will be provided with on-site units. 5% of the residential units as a Tier 2 item and 5% of the units for purposes of tier 3, for a total of 10% of the residential units to households whose income is 80 percent or below the median family income of the Austin metropolitan statistical area for ownership units and 60 percent or below the Austin metropolitan statistical area for rental units.

Sales or leases of residential units to households in which one of the members is employed by the Austin Independent School District, so long as their income does not exceed 120 percent of the median family income of the Austin metropolitan statistical area for ownership units or rental units, as applicable, shall be considered to be affordable units for purposes of complying with the affordable housing requirements; however, not more than 50% of the total of the required number of affordable units may be such sales or leases to employees of the Austin Independent School District. |
Austin Oaks PUD  

**Proposed Code Modifications**

There are 24 modifications to Code requirements requested by the Applicant.

1. Section 25-8-25(B)(1) and (3) *(Redevelopment Exception in Urban and Suburban Watersheds)* are modified to apply to the entirety of the PUD on an overall basis;

2. Section 2.4.3 *(Buffering)* of the Environmental Criteria Manual is modified as to Parcel 1 and Parcel 4, such that plants used as buffering elements shall be planted in a permeable landscape area at least three (3) feet wide, measured from inside of curb or pavement to the property line.

3. Section 25-6-477 *(Bicycle Parking)* for office, residential, and hotel uses is modified;

4. Section 25-2-1008(A)(1) *(Irrigation Requirements)* will be applied on an overall basis;

5. Section 2.4.1 D *(Street Yard Trees)* of the City of Austin Environmental Criteria Manual is modified to increase the requirements;

6. Section 3.3.2(A) *(General Tree Survey Standards)* of the City of Austin Environmental Criteria Manual is modified to lengthen the time period for which the survey can be used;

7. Section 25-8-641(B) *(Removal Prohibited)* is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to allow for the removal of specific Heritage Trees;

8. Section 3.5.4 *(Mitigation Measures)* of the City of Austin Environmental Criteria Manual is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to provide a standard for redevelopment sites and provide that tree mitigation credit shall be granted for removing existing impervious cover from the critical root zone of preserved trees;

9. Section 25-7-61(A)(5) *(Criteria for Approval of Development Applications)*, and Section 1.2.2.A and D of the City of Austin Drainage Criteria Manual *(General)* are modified to apply to the entirety of the PUD on an overall basis;

10. Sections 25-7-32 *(Director Authorized to Require Erosion Hazard Zone Analysis)* is modified so that another Erosion Hazard Zone Analysis is not required for each site plan;

11. Section 25-2-1062 *(Height Limitations and Setbacks for Small Sites)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

12. Section 25-2-1063 *(Height Limitations and Setbacks for Large Sites)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

13. Section 25-2-1065 *(Scale and Clustering Requirements)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

14. Subchapter E *(Design Standard and Mixed Use)* Section 2.2 *(Relationship of Buildings to Streets and Walkways)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

15. Subchapter E *(Design Standard and Mixed Use)* Section 2.3 *(Connectivity)* is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan and the Streetscape Plan Exhibit;
16. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Section 2.4 (Building Entryways) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan and the Streetscape Plan Exhibit;

17. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Section 3.2 (Glazing and Facade Relief Requirements) shall not apply to the AO Hotel Parcel 6 or the AO Mixed Use Parcel 9;

18. Subchapter E (Design Standard and Mixed Use) Article 4 (Mixed Use) is modified as set forth on the Land Use Plan;

19. Section 25-10-101(C)(2) and (3)(a) (Signs Allowed in All Sign Districts Without An Installation Permit) is modified to improve directional signage given the topography at the site;

20. Section 25-10-130 (Commercial Sign District Regulations) is modified to allow projecting signs and increase sign size within the Property; and

21. Section 25-10-154 (Subdivision Identification Sign) is modified to provide for an appropriate number of subdivision signs.

22. Section 25-6-472 (Parking Facility Standards) is modified as set forth in the Ordinance to account for a mixed use development.

23. Section 25-2-21 of the Land Development Code to allow for the PUD to comply with the site development regulations on an overall contiguous basis, rather than tract by tract.

24. Section 25-2-243 of the Land Development Code to allow for the PUD area to be considered contiguous in the zoning application.
Notes:

1. The Owner will spend up to $1,546,500 to redevelop Parcel 10 as a park and provide improvements as directed by the City of Austin. After the redevelopment, a portion of the improvement expenditures may be spent on placing a historic marker or interpretive signage on Parcel 10 and Parcel 8 (within the Heritage Park).

2. Bus shelter subject to Capital Metro need and approval.

3. The buildings, structures, parking, sidewalks, trails and other improvements shown on the exhibit are graphic representations and are not exact. The exact locations and specifications for the buildings, structures, parking, and other improvements shall be determined as site development permits are issued as is consistent with the provisions and intent of this ordinance.

4. Per 25-8-63(C), multi-use trails on the parkland and trail easements shall be excluded from impervious calculations.

Parkland Dedication Summary (Per Ordinance No. 20180128-0086)

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*Impervious Cover Not to Exceed 27,000 SF overall and may be allocated in any of the parkland areas.
Notes:

1. The Owner will spend up to $1,546,500 to redevelop Parcel 10 as a park and provide improvements, subject to the events. The Owner will deliver to the City of Austin, after the redevelopment is complete, the requisite Number of Dwelling Units (NDU) and the street improvement requirements set forth herein to meet the City’s requirement set forth herein to meet the City’s requirements for the PUD. A portion of the improvement expenditures may be spent on placing of a historic marker or interpretive signage on Parcel 10 and Parcel 8 within the Heritage Park.

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REVISED : SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
MEMORANDUM

TO: Jerry Rusthoven, Planning and Zoning Department Manager

FROM: Ricardo Soliz, Division Manager
Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: August 30, 2016

SUBJECT: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development (PUD)

A PUD district provides greater design flexibility by permitting modifications of site development regulations. The code reads that the purpose of the PUD is to “preserve the natural environment, encourage high quality development and innovative design and ensure adequate public facilities and services for development within the PUD.”

The Parks and Recreation Department finds that the Austin Oaks PUD is superior to traditional zoning as it pertains to parks. The following items contribute to the superiority:

- The parkland being provided is 11.3% higher than required by the 2016 Parkland Dedication ordinance and 100% of the neighborhood park acres is level and suitable for open play.

  Credited Parkland owed = 4.8 acres; Credited Parkland provided = 5.34 acres

- The Neighborhood Park will be developed by the applicant in an amount of $1,546,500. This amount is $5,155 per unit, 15 times more than the current $317 per unit park-development fee required in 25-1-606. Additional funds will be spent to connect the park areas with trails.

- The plan to develop the neighborhood park will receive staff and neighborhood input and be presented to the Parks and Recreation Board for approval to ensure ample public involvement.

If you need further information, contact me at 974-9452.
The Transportation Review Section has reviewed the Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) for the proposed Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, dated July 26, 2016, and offers the following comments:

The project site (31.27 acres) is located at the southwest corner of Loop 1 (Mo-Pac Expressway) and Spicewood Springs Road in north Austin. The current zoning is LO, SF-3, GR and LR, and the request is for PUD zoning. The proposal is for up to 250 apartment dwelling units, approximately 673,000 SF of general office, approximately 169,000 SF of medical-dental office, approximately 46,700 SF of restaurant and a 100 room hotel within the site.

The proposed development is to be built in phases with the planned removal of existing office space concurrent with the construction of the proposed development. Twelve (12) driveways are proposed to serve the site, ten (10) intersecting Executive Center Drive and two (2) intersecting Wood Hollow Drive. All vehicle access to the site will use the current public roadway network. No new public roads are proposed.

The table below presents the proposed changes in current and future land use:

**Table 1 – Current and proposed land uses for the Austin Oaks redevelopment**

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<th>Existing Office</th>
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Roadways

Mo-Pac Expressway (Loop 1) is identified in the 2025 Austin Metropolitan Area Transportation Plan (AMATP) as a freeway. In the vicinity of the site, the southbound frontage road is a three-lane, undivided, one-way facility. The northbound frontage road provides access to the site via the interchanges of Far West Boulevard and Spicewood Springs Road, respectively. The posted speed limit for both frontage roads is 50 MPH.

Spicewood Springs Road is an east to west direction, major arterial. In the vicinity of the site, Spicewood Springs Road is a five-lane, median-divided facility with bike lanes on either side. The posted speed limit is 35 mph and speed data collected along Spicewood Springs Road near Hart Lane indicated the 85th percentile speed to be greater than 40 mph.

Far West Boulevard is an east to west direction major six-lane divided arterial roadway east of Hart Lane. West of Hart Lane, the roadway is classified a minor undivided arterial roadway. The posted speed limit is 35 MPH and dedicated bicycle lanes exist on both sides of the roadway.

Steck Avenue is an east to west direction minor undivided arterial roadway as described in the AMATP. Currently, it is a two-lane undivided roadway west of Loop 1 and east of Loop 1 is a two-lane roadway with a two-way-left-turn-lane (TWLTL). In the vicinity of the site, the posted speed limit is 30 MPH and dedicated bicycle lanes exist on both sides of Steck Avenue.

Executive Center Drive is presently a two lane neighborhood collector. It runs east to west and is wholly contained within the boundaries of the site.

Greystone Drive is two lane neighborhood collector, running east to west, and it is located to the south of the site.

Hart Lane is a two lane neighborhood collector with bicycle facilities. It runs north to south and borders the northwestern edge of the site.

Wood Hollow Drive is a two lane residential collector street with bicycle facilities. It runs north to south and bisects the site.

Site Trip Generation Estimates

Section 25-6-114 of the Land Development Code requires that a traffic impact analysis (TIA) be conducted for a project proposed with a zoning application if the project is anticipated to generate more than 2,000 daily trips.

Based on the ITE publication Trip Generation, 9th Edition, the proposed development will generate up to 15,562 net new trips daily. As documented in the scoping agreement, reductions for internal capture and pass-by traffic were granted in the study. The following table present the estimated number of daily trips anticipated from the (re)development of the site.
Table 1 – Estimated Trip Generation for the proposed land uses (at full build out in 2024)

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<th>Amount</th>
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The applicant assigned site related trip to the existing roadway network with respect to the current traffic volumes and travel patterns. The table below presents the assumed choice of access route to and from the site:

Table 2 - Expected distribution of vehicle trips

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<th>Direction</th>
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<th>Site Traffic</th>
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<td>Mo-Pac/Loop 1</td>
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<td>From the east</td>
<td>Anderson Ln.</td>
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<td>From the west</td>
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<td>From the west</td>
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Data Collection

For this study, traffic counts were conducted in March 2014 when public schools were in session. The data collected was adjusted to reflect an average 2% annual growth rate. To verify this adjustment, daily volumes (using 24-Hour recording machine counts) were collected in March 2016 while public schools were in session and the prior 2014 counts were compared to the 2016 daily volumes. The results of the comparison indicate that the 2014 counts used for the analysis reflected higher volumes than those from 2016 and were within an acceptable margin of error. Table 4 below provides the results of the comparison.

Table 4 – Existing and Projected Count Comparison

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<th>Roadway</th>
<th>24-Hour</th>
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<td>4,418</td>
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<td>Hart Lane</td>
<td>939</td>
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<td>Spicewood Springs Road</td>
<td>4,174</td>
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<td>Wood Hollow Drive</td>
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<td>1,148</td>
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Traffic Analysis Methodology

The applicant reviewed the traffic operations, both existing and forecast to determine potential capacity deficiencies at the study area intersections. The results of the analyses provide the output values (as derived from the traffic simulation software) used to determine the estimated delay per vehicle during the peak periods of travel. The software applies the methodology of the Transportation Research Board/Highway Capacity Manual, which is the industry standard for the calculation of delay as experienced by individual motorists while driving.

The following table presents the HCM definitions of ‘levels of service’ for both signalized and unsignalized intersections. Within the City of Austin, LOS “D” is considered the threshold for acceptable operations for signalized intersections. For intersections where the LOS is projected at “E” or lower, mitigation should be proposed.

Table 5 – Summary of Level of Service as defined by Highway Capacity Manual

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<th>Level of Service</th>
<th>Signalized Intersection Average Total Delay (Sec/Veh)</th>
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The following tables present a summary of the analysis performed within the TIA. Each table will include the intersection studied, the type of traffic control existing or proposed, the volume to capacity ration (V/C), the estimated delay in seconds for an individual vehicle, and the corresponding level of service category assigned. Staff from ATD and TxDOT reviewed these results in order to evaluate the likely consequences generated by the development in terms of traffic impact. Explanatory text will accompany certain key findings within a given table.

Table 6 shows the estimated delays for the current traffic conditions during the AM peak hour. The City of Austin assumes the morning peak hour traffic will occur between 7 and 9 AM during the regular workweek (Monday – Friday). The analysis below is used to estimate the current conditions without site related traffic.
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<th>Intersection</th>
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Note: where the V/C ratio is greater than 1.0, the intersection is saturated and cannot process all of the vehicles which seek to enter the service area.
Summary of existing conditions

As shown in the tables above, certain intersections already exhibit LOS at "E" or below. These analyses reflect the baseline conditions to which site traffic (and proposed mitigations) will be added. Where the V/C ratio is shown greater than 1.0, staff interprets the analysis to indicate that more vehicles seek to enter the intersection than can be served.

Traffic analysis of future conditions

The TIA proposed phasing the development and determined the necessary improvements accordingly. The applicant provided the level of analysis for each phase (years 2018, 2020, 2022, and 2024), however, the following tables present the results of the analysis for the ‘no build’ conditions, the ‘build conditions without mitigation’ and the ‘build conditions with mitigation’ for only the final 2024 phase year.

Table 8 shows the estimated delays for the future traffic conditions during the AM peak hour. The City of Austin assumes the morning peak hour traffic will occur between 7 and 9 AM during the regular workweek (Monday – Friday). The analysis below is used to estimate the future conditions without site related traffic.

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Summary of future 2024 'no build' conditions

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Presentation of future 2024 “build without mitigation” conditions

Table 10 shows the estimated delays for the future traffic conditions during the AM peak hour with the site developed and no mitigations provided. The City of Austin assumes the morning peak hour traffic will occur between 7 and 9 AM during the regular workweek (Monday – Friday). The following analysis is used to estimate the future conditions without any mitigation provided to accommodate site traffic.
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**Summary of future 2024 ‘build without mitigation’ conditions**

As shown in Tables 10 and 11, should the development be permitted without mitigation, several intersections will not operate satisfactorily. As was shown in the 2024 ‘no build’ condition, current conditions continue to degrade and secondary consequences result. These analyses help to identify which intersections require mitigation as a part of development, and which may be deferred.

**Presentation of future 2024 ‘build with mitigation’ conditions**

Table 12 shows the estimated delays for the future traffic conditions during the AM peak hour with the site developed and mitigations provided. The analysis below is used to estimate the future conditions with the improvements proposed to mitigate the impact of site related traffic.

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Summary of future 2024 ‘build with mitigation’ conditions evaluation

As shown in Tables 12 and 13, the development proposes to address its site related traffic impact with improvements to the intersections along Spicewood Springs Road and the southbound frontage road of Mo-Pac Expressway. The interchanges of Far West Boulevard and Spicewood Springs/Anderson Lane with Mo-Pac have limited options, due to right-of-way limitations and the needs of larger regional traffic operations (apart from the site related traffic). As such, staff review of the TIA indicates that site related traffic will be adequately mitigated by the proposed improvements. The exception to these findings is the identified degradation of traffic operations along the Mo-Pac frontage roads in the vicinity of the site.

Discussion of results of TIA analysis

As illustrated in the above findings, existing capacity concerns are identified along the Loop 1 corridor. The impacts of these regional issues were observed at intersections in the study area in the Existing (2016) analysis. Although major improvements are necessary at intersections along Loop 1, these would need to be undertaken as regional improvements to achieve an acceptable LOS. The findings reflect a level of investment and analysis greater than can be offered by site development review. The applicant has requested the City consult with TxDOT to identify how best to determine the long range improvements required.

2024 Build Analysis Results – detailed intersection elements

- **Executive Center Drive & Hart Lane.** Vehicles making the ‘westbound’ left-turn movement from Executive Center Drive have difficulty finding gaps onto Hart Lane. Because the westbound approach is a single lane, the delay at the westbound left-turn movement is also experienced by vehicles waiting to turn right onto Hart Lane.
- **Executive Center Drive & Wood Hollow Drive.** The northbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive at Executive Center Drive experience an unacceptable LOS due to the high volume expected at this approach.

- **Greystone Drive & Hart Lane.** The southbound approach of Hart Lane at Greystone Drive experiences an unacceptable LOS due to the high volume at this approach and the capacity limitations of an all-way stop-controlled (AWSC) intersection.

- **Greystone Drive & Wood Hollow Drive.** The northbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive at Greystone Drive experiences an unacceptable LOS due to the high volume at this approach and the capacity limitations of an AWSC intersection.

- **Spicewood Springs Road & Loop 1.** Similar to existing conditions the intersection of Spicewood Springs Road and Loop 1 continues to operate at an unacceptable LOS.

- **Greystone Drive & Loop 1.** Similar to existing conditions the eastbound approach of Greystone Drive at Loop 1 SBFR continues to operate at an unacceptable LOS.

- **Far West Boulevard & Loop 1.** Similar to existing conditions the intersection of Far West Boulevard and Loop 1 continues to operate at an unacceptable LOS.

- **Steck Avenue & Loop 1.** Similar to existing conditions the intersection of Steck Avenue and Loop 1 continues to operate at an unacceptable LOS.

**Traffic Signal Warrant Analysis**

As part of the analysis of 2024 Build conditions, a traffic signal warrant analysis was performed at the intersection of Executive Center Drive and Wood Hollow Drive. The number of vehicles at the eastbound approach of Executive Center Drive throughout the day is consistently above the minor street volume threshold for warranting a signal. A traffic signal is warranted based on the 2024 projected traffic volumes at the intersection.

**Transportation System Improvements**

The TIA identified a series of improvements to the surrounding public infrastructure which would serve to mitigate the calculated impact to traffic resulting from this development. The following is a summation of the proposed improvements, organized by Phase:

**Developer proposed Phase 1 (2018) Improvements:**

- **Spicewood Springs Road & Hart Lane.** Consider installing a fully actuated traffic signal at the intersection of Spicewood Springs Road and Hart Lane. Install an advance warning flasher west of the intersection synchronized with the traffic signal and widen the northbound approach of Hart Lane to include dual left-turns.

- **Hart Lane between Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs Road.** Widen Hart Lane between Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs Road to accommodate a three-lane northbound approach at the intersection of Hart Lane at Spicewood Springs Road. Restripe the northbound approach of Hart Lane to include dual-left-turn lanes and an exclusive right-turn lane (three 10’ approach lanes); a single northbound receiving lane (14’) and southbound bike lane (5’) will remain.
- **Spicewood Springs Road & Wood Hollow Drive.** Extend the westbound left-turn bay of Spicewood Springs Road to Wood Hollow Drive to provide adequate storage for vehicles making a left-turn movement and prevent spill-back into the adjacent lane. 15% of the inbound trips generated by the Austin Oaks development were assigned to the westbound left-turn movement of Spicewood Springs Road to Wood Hollow Drive. The proposed left-turn bay extension will mitigate the impact of site traffic at this movement.

- **Spicewood Springs Road & Wood Hollow Drive.** Provide a right-turn overlap operation at the northbound right-turn movement of Wood Hollow Drive to Spicewood Springs Road. This will allow the northbound right-turn phase and the westbound left-turn phase to operate simultaneously and decrease delay at the northbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive. 15% of the outbound trips generated by the Austin Oaks development were assigned to the right-turn movement of Wood Hollow Drive to Spicewood Springs Road. The proposed right-turn overlap operation will mitigate the impact of site traffic at this movement.

- **Wood Hollow Drive between Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs Road.** Concurrently with the right-turn overlap improvement at the northbound right-turn movement of Wood Hollow Drive to Spicewood Springs Road, restripe Wood Hollow Drive between Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs Road to allow two northbound lanes, one southbound lane, and bike lanes on both sides of the roadway. Restricting parking and extending the northbound right-turn lane will maximize the operations at the northbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive at Spicewood Springs Road.

- **Spicewood Springs Road & Loop 1 southbound frontage road.** Provide a free, channelized operation at the southbound right-turn movement from Loop 1 SBFR to Spicewood Springs Road (westbound). On Spicewood Springs the existing pavement can accommodate a free movement; however, there are design constraints due to the existing bike lane. Where feasible, an eight foot wide (8') sidewalk will be provided along Mo-Pac Southbound Frontage Road. Any improvements at Mo-Pac Frontage Road are subject to TxDOT approval.

- **Spicewood Springs Road & Loop 1 southbound frontage road.** Provide striping and vertical panels (or other barrier) at the southbound receiving lanes of Loop 1 southbound frontage road to facilitate a free eastbound right-turn movement from Spicewood Springs Road to Loop 1 southbound frontage road. This movement is currently channelized and a merge with Loop 1 southbound frontage road can be accomplished with existing pavement. Twelve foot (12') wide receiving lanes should be maintained along Mo-Pac southbound frontage road. Where feasible, an eight foot wide (8') sidewalk will be provided along Mo-Pac southbound frontage road. Any improvements at Mo-Pac Frontage Road are subject to TxDOT approval.

- **Executive Center Drive & Wood Hollow Drive.** Implement stop-control at the northbound and southbound approaches of Wood Hollow Drive. Restripe the northbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive at Executive Center Drive to include a shared thru-left and a shared thru-right. The shared thru-right lanes will also be marked as shared bike lanes. This will require the north-leg of the intersection to be restriped to provide two receiving lanes. Restripe the southbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive at Executive Center Drive to include an exclusive right-turn lane and a shared thru-left. The proposed cross sections can be accomplished using existing pavement.

- **Executive Center Drive & Loop 1 southbound frontage road.** Construct a southbound right-turn deceleration lane on Loop 1 SBFR (upstream of Executive Center Drive). Additionally, install vertical panels (or other physical barrier) along Loop 1 Southbound Off-Ramp to prevent access to Executive Center Drive from southbound Loop 1 Southbound Off-Ramp and reduce...
weaving in this section of the frontage road. Where feasible, an eight foot wide (8') sidewalk will be provided along Mo-Pac Southbound Frontage Road. Any improvements at Mo-Pac Frontage Road are subject to TxDOT approval.

- **Executive Center Drive at Loop 1 southbound frontage road.** Construct a southbound acceleration lane on Loop 1 southbound frontage road, downstream of Executive Center Drive to provide a free operation at the eastbound right-turn movement of Executive Center Drive. Where feasible, an eight foot wide (8') sidewalk will be provided along Mo-Pac Southbound Frontage Road. Any improvements at Mo-Pac Frontage Road are subject to TxDOT approval.

- **Greystone Drive & Loop 1 southbound frontage road.** Construct a southbound right-turn deceleration lane on Loop 1 southbound frontage road (upstream of Greystone Drive). The proposed southbound right-turn deceleration lane will mitigate the impact of site traffic at eastbound approach by removing vehicles turning right from the southbound thru lane. Where feasible, an eight foot wide (8') sidewalk will be provided along Mo-Pac Southbound Frontage Road. Any improvements at Mo-Pac Frontage Road are subject to TxDOT approval.

- **Far West Boulevard & Hart Lane.** Widen the northbound approach of Hart Lane to a five-lane cross-section at the intersection of Far West Boulevard. The northbound approach should include an exclusive left-turn lane, exclusive thru lane, and exclusive right-turn lane; two southbound receiving lanes with remain. Concurrent with the widening, a five foot (5') wide sidewalk should be reconstructed adjacent to the northbound approach of Hart Lane. Restripe the southbound approach of Hart Lane to include an exclusive left-turn lane, exclusive thru lane, and shared thru-right lane; a single northbound receiving lane will remain.

- **Far West Boulevard & Wood Hollow Drive.** Provide a right-turn overlap operation at the northbound right-turn movement from Wood Hollow Drive to Far West Boulevard. Restripe the northbound approach to extend the existing right-turn lane.

- **Far West Boulevard & Loop 1 southbound frontage road.** Provide a free, channelized operation at the southbound right-turn movement from Loop 1 southbound frontage road to Far West Boulevard (westbound). The existing lane configurations can accommodate a free operation because there are three westbound receiving lanes. The right-turn-only lane along Far West Boulevard is recommended to be restriped as a shared thru-right lane between Loop 1 and the first driveway (approximately 400'). Where feasible, an eight foot wide (8') sidewalk will be provided along Mo-Pac southbound frontage road. Any improvements along Mo-Pac are subject to TxDOT approval.

**Developer proposed Phase 2 (2020) improvement:**

- **Far West Boulevard & Wood Hollow Drive** Adjust signal timing at the intersection of Far West Boulevard and Wood Hollow Drive.
Developer proposed Phase 3 (2022) improvements:

- **Executive Center Drive & Wood Hollow Drive.** Restripe the eastbound approach of Executive Center Drive at Wood Hollow Drive to include a shared thru-left and a shared thru-right. The shared thru-right lanes will also be marked as shared bike lanes. This will require the east leg of the intersection to be restriped to provide two receiving lanes. Restripe the westbound approach of Executive Center Drive at Wood Hollow Drive to include an exclusive right-turn lane and a shared thru-left.

- **Far West Boulevard & Wood Hollow Drive.** Restripe the eastbound approach of Far West Boulevard at Wood Hollow Drive. The outside lane of the eastbound approach is currently striped as an exclusive right-turn lane and there are three eastbound receiving lanes. To prevent weaving downstream of Wood Hollow Drive the City should consider restriping the outside lane of Far West Boulevard as a shared thru-right until Loop 1 SBFR.

Developer proposed Phase 4 (2024) improvements:

- **Executive Center Drive & Hart Lane.** Restripe the westbound approach of Executive Center Drive at Hart Lane to include two lanes: exclusive left-turn lane and exclusive right-turn lane. This improvement will allow the left-turn and right-turn movements to operate independently and improve the LOS of this approach.

- **Hart Lane between Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs Road.** Restripe Hart Lane between Executive Center Drive and Spicewood Springs Road to provide a southbound left-turn bay from Hart Lane to Executive Center Drive. The storage provided in this bay will be minimal as space must be preserved to accommodate the dual left-turn lanes at the northbound approach from Hart Lane to Spicewood Springs Road.

- **Executive Center Drive & Wood Hollow Drive.** Consider installing a fully actuated traffic signal at the intersection of Executive Center Drive and Wood Hollow Drive. The City should consider split phase operation for northbound and southbound approaches. The recommended all-way stop should remain and be monitored until the signal is necessary.

- **Greystone Drive & Hart Lane.** Restripe the southbound approach of Hart Lane at Greystone Drive to include two thru lanes. This will require the south-leg of the intersection to be restriped to provide two receiving lanes. A cross-section which will accommodate three travel lanes and two bike lanes can be accomplished using existing pavement.

- **Greystone Drive & Wood Hollow Drive.** Restripe the northbound approach of Wood Hollow Drive at Greystone Drive to include two thru lanes. This will require the north-leg of the intersection to be restriped to provide two receiving lanes. A cross-section which will accommodate three travel lanes and two bike lanes can be accomplished using existing pavement.

- **Far West Boulevard & Wood Hollow Drive.** Adjust signal timing at the intersection of Far West Boulevard and Wood Hollow Drive.
As a part of the TIA, the applicant provided probable cost estimates to perform the identified improvements. These cost estimates were used to determine percentage cost participation ('pro-rata') from the developer. The following tables present the description, probable cost, percentage of site related traffic assigned to the location, along with the developer's estimate of the fiscal contribution (according to overall traffic volumes).

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<td>Install a fully actuated traffic signal.</td>
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<td>7. Spicewood Springs Road &amp; Loop 1 SBFR (2018)</td>
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<td>12. Far West Blvd &amp; Hart Lane (2018)</td>
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<td>Adjust signal.</td>
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<td>2. Executive Center Drive &amp; Hart Lane (2024)</td>
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<td>Conduct traffic signal warrant analysis.</td>
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<td>Install a fully actuated traffic signal</td>
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<td>4. Greystone Drive &amp; Hart Lane (2024)</td>
<td>Restripe southbound approach.</td>
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<td>5. Greystone Drive &amp; Wood Hollow Drive (2024)</td>
<td>Restripe northbound approach.</td>
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<td>6. Far West Boulevard &amp; Wood Hollow Drive (2024)</td>
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**City of Austin Staff recommended improvements**

Staff discussed the need to implement physical improvements concurrently with the development of the site and thus prioritized the infrastructure elements accordingly. Staff recognized and acknowledged the need to distinguish site related traffic congestion from larger (or preexisting) regional traffic concerns. Therefore, after review and acceptance of the TIA findings, the following terms were set forth:

1) Wherever feasible, staff prefers to have the developer construct physical improvements instead of posting fiscal towards the estimated costs of construction.

2) In locations where more than one improvement is identified, staff would accept a fully constructed single improvement in the place of several partial funded elements.

3) Texas Department of Transportation facilities also serve the interests of the general traveling public and are therefore incorporated into City of Austin objectives for site mitigation.

**Conclusions and recommendations**

While not all of the identified improvements necessary will be constructed as part of this site development, review staff are in agreement that the applicant will satisfactorily mitigate the impact determined in the TIA document if certain critical improvements are made as a part of site development. Therefore, staff recommends approval of this zoning application subject to the following conditions:

1) Prior to the 3rd Reading of City Council, the applicant should commit to constructing the following identified improvements as part of their site development application:

   A. Within 1 year of the effective date of the rezoning ordinance, the owner will pay $420,000 to the City of Austin Transportation Department, to be used exclusively for the installation of a traffic signal at Hart Lane and Spicewood Springs Road
B. The owner will enter into an agreement with TxDOT\(^1\) to complete the work for the following three projects that were identified in the TIA:

i. Construct free eastbound right-turn movement from Spicewood Springs Road to Mo-Pac (Loop 1) southbound frontage road,

ii. Construct a southbound right-turn deceleration lane on Mo-Pac (Loop 1) southbound frontage road (upstream of Executive Center Drive), and

iii. Construct a southbound acceleration lane on Mo-Pac (Loop 1) southbound frontage road (downstream of Executive Center Drive).

2) Per the Texas Dept. of Transportation (TxDOT), design of all elements which access the southbound frontage road of Mo-Pac (Loop 1) is subject to review for compliance with safety standards and requirements.

3) Development of this property should not vary from the approved uses, nor exceed the approved intensities and estimated traffic generation assumptions within the TIA document (dated July 26, 2016), including land uses, trip generation, trip distribution, traffic controls and other identified conditions.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (512) 974 – 2208. Thank you.

Scott A. James, P.E., PTOE
Development Services Department
Land Use Review Division/ Transportation Review

\(^{1}\) The implementation of the construction will be done through an agreement with TxDOT that either (i) allows for the owner to design and construct the improvements with TxDOT approval or (ii) permits the owner to pay TxDOT to construct the improvements
1. Construction within the CWQZ and CEF buffer shall include the removal of existing surface parking lots and restoration of such areas. A restoration plan shall be submitted to the City for review and approval and implemented with each site plan for Parcels 2, 3, 4, and 5. The restoration plan shall be approved if it complies with the following: (i) planting and seeding pursuant to the standard specification 609s, and (ii) revegetation shall be adequate to achieve a score of "Good (3)" at maturity for the following parameters of Environmental Criteria for Watershed Protection and Restoration: (i) riparian buffers, (ii) stream bank stabilization, (iii) wetland conversion to upland, and (iv) removal of erosion hazards. Each parcel shall be planted to plant species and densities that are appropriate for each area and in a manner that is consistent with the provisions and intent of this ordinance.

2. Construction of the pedestrian bridge to be constructed as part of Parcel 3 and maintained by the Owner for six years from the date of installation and maintained by the City thereafter.

3. The final side of the unnamed creek bank on Parcel 4 shall be laid back to create an inundation bench as shown on this Exhibit unless uniform cohesive bedrock prevents excavation of the soil shown. The Owner shall not be required to excavate further or fill in soil as required. The inundation bench shall be extended pursuant to Note 1 above, extending channel stabilization works utilized between the creek bed and roadway line in accordance with the provisions of this Exhibit. The design shall accommodate a future trail or other permitted improvement. The Owner will be required to plant native grasses and trees to the specifications provided in Note 1.

4. Except as provided in Note 3 above, the existing stable banks, including the sections consisting of stacked limestone boulders, shall remain undisturbed except for enhancements and repairs, including road construction, and work required to accommodate existing surface road structures in the area. The construction in the CWQZ may also include hand-augured posthole developments, a pedestrian bridge with support piers, and access and utility connections, including utility lines and systems and necessary connections to the existing utility lines and systems. The restoration plan for all restored areas within the CWQZ and CEF buffer shall be submitted to the City for review and approval and implemented with each site plan for Parcels 2, 3, 4, and 5. The restoration plan shall be approved if it complies with the following: (i) planting and seeding pursuant to the standard specification 609s, and (ii) revegetation shall be adequate to achieve a score of "Good (3)" at maturity for the following parameters of Environmental Criteria for Watershed Protection and Restoration: (i) riparian buffers, (ii) stream bank stabilization, (iii) wetland conversion to upland, and (iv) removal of erosion hazards. Each parcel shall be planted to plant species and densities that are appropriate for each area and in a manner that is consistent with the provisions and intent of this ordinance.

5. The buildings, structures, parking, sidewalks, trails and other improvements shown on the exhibit are graphic representations and are not exact. The exact locations and specifications for the buildings, structures, parking, and other improvements shall be determined as site development permits are issued as is consistent with the provisions and intent of this ordinance.
WOOD HOLLOW DRIVE - EXISTING CONDITIONS

WOOD HOLLOW DRIVE - PROPOSED CONDITIONS

NOTES:
1. WHERE FEASIBLE, GROUNDED EXISTING TREES, UPLANDS LOGS, VINEYARD STREET LIGHTS, DRAINAGES AND OTHER REQUIRED REGULATORY ASSETS RENEGED ON STREET CENTERLINE AT CURB ALONG PROPOSED STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY.
2. EXISTING SIDEWALK Alignment will BE MAINTAINED ON EXISTING TREES AND OTHER SIDEWALK CONDITIONS.
3. POSSIBLE STREET AND CURB VARIATION TO ALLOW FOR CURB/TREES AND SIDEWALK BUMPOUTS, AT OWNER'S URBANIZATION.

EXISTING TREE

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EXHIBIT K
HART LANE - **EXISTING** CONDITIONS AT PARCEL 10

- **EXISTING** SIDEWALK
- **EXISTING** BIKE LANE
- **EXISTING** TRAVEL LANE
- **EXISTING** PARAPEL PARKING
- **EXISTING TREE**

HART LANE - **PROPOSED** CONDITIONS AT PARCEL 10

- **PROPOSED** SIDEWALK
- **PROPOSED** BIKE LANE
- **PROPOSED** TRAVEL LANE
- **PROPOSED** PARAPEL PARKING
- **EXISTING TREE**

**NOTES:**
1. **WHERE MEASURABLE, GROSS EXISTING TREES, UNDERSURFACES, VEHICULAR STREET LIGITS, DRAINAGE AND OTHER REQUIRED REGULATORY **MUNICIPAL** FUNCTIONS (WHERE SHOWN) WILL BE PLACED ON THE OUTER MASK OF THE STREET AS SHOWN ON THE SHEET. **ADJACENCIES** WITHIN THE PLANTER STRIP ALONG PARCEL 10 PROVIDE **SPACE**.
2. **(PROPOSED SIDEWALK ALIGNMENT WILL VARY DEPENDING ON EXISTING TREES AND OTHER SITE CONDITIONS).**

**LOCATION MAP**
PLAN OF HART LANE STREETSCE ALONG PARCEL 10

**EXHIBIT K**
1. OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROPERTY ARE PROVIDED AND CALCULATED ON AN OVERALL P.U.D. BASIS AND EXCEED THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF CITY CODE; THEREFORE, INDIVIDUAL PARCELS DO NOT HAVE TO ACHIEVE OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS AT THE TIME OF SITE PLAN SUBMISSION. ADDITIONAL OPEN SPACE AREAS INCIDENTAL TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED BETWEEN BUILDINGS, PARKING AREAS AND STREETS ALL OF WHICH WOULD FURTHER INCREASE THE OVERALL OPEN SPACE PROVIDED.

2. NOTES:
   - OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROPERTY ARE PROVIDED AND CALCULATED ON AN OVERALL P.U.D. BASIS AND EXCEED THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF CITY CODE; THEREFORE, INDIVIDUAL PARCELS DO NOT HAVE TO ACHIEVE OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS AT THE TIME OF SITE PLAN SUBMISSION. ADDITIONAL OPEN SPACE AREAS INCIDENTAL TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED BETWEEN BUILDINGS, PARKING AREAS AND STREETS ALL OF WHICH WOULD FURTHER INCREASE THE OVERALL OPEN SPACE PROVIDED.

EXHIBIT L

LEGEND

- PROVIDED OPEN SPACE

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**Notes:**
- 40.97% More Open Space Provided Than Required
ITEM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA

MEETING DATE REQUESTED: September 21, 2016

NAME & NUMBER OF PROJECT: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development C814-2014-0120

OWNER: Twelve Lakes, LLC (Jon Ruff)

AGENT: Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan)

LOCATION: Southwest corner of Mopac Expressway and Spicewood Springs Road (3409, 3420, 3429, 3445, 3520, 3636, 3701, 3721, 3724, and 3737 Executive Center Drive and 7601, 7718, and 7719 Wood Hollow Drive)

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 10

PROJECT FILING DATE: July 16, 2014

WATERSHED PROTECTION DEPARTMENT STAFF: Andrea Bates, 974-2291 andrea.bates@austintexas.gov

PLANNING AND ZONING CASE MANAGER: Andrew Moore, 974-7604 andrew.moore@austintexas.gov

WATERSHED: Shoal Creek Watershed (Urban) Desired Development Zone

ORDINANCE: Watershed Protection Ordinance (current Code)

REQUEST: Review and consider for recommendation the environmental aspects of the proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD), including code modifications and environmental superiority.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Recommended with conditions.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Marisa Perales, Chair, and Members of the Environmental Commission

FROM: Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer
Watershed Protection Department

DATE: September 2, 2016

SUBJECT: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development – C814-2014-0120

This summary is being provided to the Environmental Commission as a supplement to the Planning and Zoning Department analysis for Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development (PUD). This memo provides an overview of the property’s environmental features, the requested modifications to environmental code requirements, and the elements of the project that provide environmental superiority. Staff finds that the proposed development is environmentally superior to what could be built without the PUD.

Description of Property

Austin Oaks PUD consists of approximately 31.4 acres of land located in northwest Austin, at the intersection of Spicewood Springs Road and Mopac Expressway (see Attachment A – Location Map). The property is comprised of 13 parcels, which are currently zoned limited office (LO), neighborhood commercial (LR), and community commercial (GR). The site is developed with 12 office buildings and associated surface parking lots.

Austin Oaks PUD is located in the Shoal Creek Watershed, which is classified as Urban and is within the Desired Development Zone. The PUD is within the north Edwards Aquifer recharge zone. The property contains two creeks: Foster Branch, which flows west to east across the northeast corner of the PUD, and an unnamed tributary to Foster Branch, which flows south to north just east of Wood Hollow Drive (see Attachment B – Critical Water Quality Zone and Floodplain).¹

¹ Per Land Development Code Section 25-8-91, waterways within an Urban Watershed are not classified. However, per Section 25-8-92, a critical water quality zone (CWQZ) is established along all waterways with a drainage area of at least 64 acres. The boundaries of the CWQZ coincide with the boundaries of the 100-year floodplain calculated under fully developed conditions, provided that the boundary is not less than 50 feet and not more than 400 feet from the centerline of the waterway.
**Existing Topography/Soil Characteristics/Vegetation**
The site’s topography generally slopes from the southern property boundary toward Spicewood Springs Road and Foster Branch. Elevations range from approximately 712 to 818 feet above mean sea level. Slopes range between 0 and 15 percent on the majority of the property but increase to over 35 percent in some locations along the creeks and the Spicewood Springs Road frontage. The property has stony, clayey soils.

The property contains a large number of heritage and protected trees, including 63 heritage live oaks, three heritage cedar elms, two heritage Spanish oaks, and two heritage pecans. Most of the heritage and protected trees are located within the surface parking lots, but there are also groves of trees along the creek corridor. Predominant tree species on the site include live oak, cedar elm, and hackberry.

**Critical Environmental Features**
An Environmental Resource Inventory (ERI) was prepared for the project site by Horizon Environmental Services in August 2015. The ERI identified six critical environmental features (CEFs) within the PUD site: four wetlands, a seep, and a canyon rimrock (see Attachment D – Applicant’s Environmental Resource Inventory). The PUD will comply with the current code requirement to provide a 150-foot buffer zone for CEFs; however, some development will be allowed to remain within the CEF buffers pursuant to Land Development Code Section 25-8-25, Redevelopment Exception in Urban and Suburban Watersheds (“the redevelopment exception”). See below for a discussion of the redevelopment exception.

**Description of Project**
The proposed project contains approximately 20.4 acres of mixed use development, including office, retail, restaurant, hotel, and multifamily residential uses, and 11 acres of parks and open space.

**Requested Environmental Code Modifications**
Austin Oaks PUD is subject to the Watershed Protection Ordinance, the City’s current environmental regulations. Since the site is currently developed, the applicant has chosen to comply with Section 25-8-25, Redevelopment Exception in Urban and Suburban Watersheds. The purpose of the redevelopment exception is to provide an option for redevelopment of older sites that may not meet all of the requirements of Chapter 25-8(A). To comply with the redevelopment exception, a project must meet nine conditions, including providing water quality treatment, not increasing the amount of impervious cover on the site, and not increasing non-compliance with critical water quality zone (CWQZ) or CEF requirements. If the conditions for the redevelopment exception are met, the other requirements of Chapter 25-8(A) do not apply to the project.

The applicant has chosen to use the redevelopment exception for all development within the Austin Oaks PUD. The baseline for evaluating the PUD’s environmental superiority is therefore the requirements of Section 25-8-25, rather than all of Chapter 25-8(A).

The proposed PUD includes multiple modifications to code requirements. Most of the proposed modifications change current code standards, which is typical for a PUD. However, the applicant
is also proposing to memorialize certain code requirements. That means the PUD is not proposing to change current requirements, but it is specifying that current requirements will continue to apply to the property even if the code changes in the future.

The following summarizes the proposed modifications to environmental requirements:

- **25-2-1008(A), Irrigation Requirements** – Section 25-2-1008(A) is modified to apply to the PUD overall rather than on a parcel-by-parcel basis.

- **Environmental Criteria Manual (ECM) Section 2.4.3, Buffering** – The buffering requirements are modified to allow plants (excluding trees) used as buffering elements on Parcels 1 and 4 to be planted in a permeable landscape area at least three feet wide, rather than eight feet wide as currently required.

- **25-7-32, Director Authorized to Require Erosion Hazard Zone Analysis** – An analysis was performed and the erosion hazard zone was identified with the PUD application. Additional analysis shall not be required for any future development applications.


- **25-8-25(B)(1) and (3), Redevelopment Exception in Urban and Suburban Watersheds** – Sections 25-8-25(B)(1) and (3) (impervious cover and trip limits) shall apply to the PUD overall rather than on a parcel-by-parcel basis.

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- The PUD will memorialize the following code requirements:
  - **25-8-25, Redevelopment Exception in Urban and Suburban Watersheds**, except as modified above;
  - Impervious cover calculations exclude multi-use trails open to the public and located on public land or in a public easement, pursuant to **25-8-63(C)(2), Impervious Cover Calculations**;
  - Hard surface trails, pedestrian bridges, and utility lines are allowed in the CWQZ pursuant to **25-8-261, Critical Water Quality Zone Development and 25-8-262, Critical Water Quality Zone Street Crossings**;
  - Water quality facilities may be covered, decked, or buried (and landscaped) pursuant to **ECM Section 1.6.2.E, Subsurface Ponds**;
Green water quality controls are allowed pursuant to ECM Section 1.6.7, *Green Storm Water Quality Infrastructure*.

Proposed Environmental Superiority Elements

The project is proposing to provide the following environmental superiority elements (please see the applicant’s Exhibit D – Tier 1 and Tier 2 Compliance Summary for additional details):

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**Determination**

Based on the superiority elements described above, staff finds that the proposed development is environmentally superior to what could be built without the PUD.

**Attachments**

- A  Location Map
- B  Critical Water Quality Zone and Floodplain
- C  Site Photos
- D  Applicant’s Environmental Resource Inventory

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2 In Exhibit D – Tier 1 and Tier 2 Compliance Summary, the applicant states that five additional superiority elements – items a, i, j, p, and u – are also being met. Staff does not agree with the applicant’s analysis, and these five items were not considered in staff’s review for environmental superiority.
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Attachment C
Austin Oaks PUD Site Photos

View of creek and parking lots within the CWQZ and CEF buffer

Portion of west creek bank area to be restored
Environmental Resource Inventory
For the City of Austin
Relating to the Land Development Code (LDC) Section 25-8, Title 30-5, ECM 1.3.0 & 1.10.0
Effective October 28, 2013

1. SITE/PROJECT NAME: Austin Oaks Property

2. COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT PROPERTY ID (#’s): ____________________________

3. ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PROJECT: Spicewood Springs Road and MOPAC

4. WATERSHED: Shoal Creek Watershed

5. THIS SITE IS WITHIN THE (Check all that apply):
   - Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone* (See note below) .................. ☒ YES ☐ NO
   - Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone* ........................................... ☐ YES ☒ NO
   - Edwards Aquifer 1500-ft Verification Zone* ................................. ☐ YES ☒ NO
   - Barton Springs Zone* ................................................................. ☐ YES ☒ NO
   *(as defined by the City of Austin – LDC 25-8-2)

   Note: If the property is over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge zone, the Hydrogeologic Report and karst surveys must be completed and signed by a Professional Geoscientist Licensed in the State of Texas.

6. DOES THIS PROJECT PROPOSE FLOODPLAIN MODIFICATION?.... ☐ YES** ☒ NO
   If yes, then check all that apply:
   ☐ (1) The floodplain modifications proposed are necessary to protect the public health and safety;
   ☐ (2) The floodplain modifications proposed would provide a significant, demonstrable environmental benefit, as determined by a functional assessment of floodplain health as prescribed by the Environmental Criteria Manual, or
   ☐ (3) The floodplain modifications proposed are necessary for development allowed in the critical water quality zone under Section 25-8-261 or 25-8-262 of the LDC.
   ☐ (4) The floodplain modifications proposed are outside of the Critical Water Quality Zone in an area determined to be in poor or fair condition by a functional assessment of floodplain health.

   ** If yes, then a functional assessment must be completed and attached to the ERI (see Section 1.7 and Appendix X in the Environmental Criteria Manual for forms and guidance) unless conditions 1 or 3 above apply.

7. IF THE SITE IS WITHIN AN URBAN OR SUBURBAN WATERSHED, DOES THIS PROJECT PROPOSE A UTILITY LINE PARALLEL TO AND WITHIN THE CRITICAL WATER QUALITY ZONE? ................................................................. ☐ YES*** ☐ NO

   ***If yes, then riparian restoration is required by Section 25-8-261(E) of the LDC and a functional assessment must be completed and attached to the ERI (see Section 1.5 and Appendix X in the Environmental Criteria Manual for forms and guidance).

8. There is a total of 6 (#’s) Critical Environmental Feature(s)(CEFs) on or within 150 feet of the project site. If CEF(s) are present, attach a detailed DESCRIPTION of the CEF(s), color PHOTOGRAPHS, the CEF WORKSHEET and provide DESCRIPTIONS of the proposed CEF buffer(s) and/or wetland mitigation. Provide the number of each type of CEFs on or within 150 feet of the site (Please provide the number of CEFs):

   1 (#’s) Spring(s)/Seep(s) 0 (#’s) Point Recharge Feature(s) 0 (#’s) Bluff(s)
   1 (#’s) Canyon Rimrock(s) 4 (#’s) Wetland(s)
Note: Standard buffers for CEFs are 150 feet, with a maximum of 300 feet for point recharge features. Except for wetlands, if the standard buffer is not provided, you must provide a written request for an administrative variance from Section 25-8-281(C)(1) and provide written findings of fact to support your request. Request forms for administrative variances from requirements stated in LDC 25-8-281 are available from Watershed Protection Department.

9. The following site maps are attached at the end of this report (Check all that apply and provide):

All ERI reports must include:

- √ Site Specific Geologic Map with 2-ft Topography
- √ Historic Aerial Photo of the Site
- √ Site Soil Map
- √ Critical Environmental Features and Well Location Map on current Aerial Photo with 2-ft Topography

Only if present on site (Maps can be combined):

- √ Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone with the 1500-ft Verification Zone
  (Only if site is over or within 1500 feet of the recharge zone)
- ☐ Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone
- ☐ Water Quality Transition Zone (WQTZ)
- √ Critical Water Quality Zone (CWQZ)
- ☐ City of Austin Fully Developed Floodplains for all water courses with up to 64-acres of drainage

10. HYDROGEOLOGIC REPORT – Provide a description of site soils, topography, and site specific geology below (Attach additional sheets if needed):

**Surface Soils** on the project site is summarized in the table below and uses the SCS Hydrologic Soil Groups*. If there is more than one soil unit on the project site, show each soil unit on the site soils map.

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*Soil Hydrologic Groups Definitions (Abbreviated)

A. Soils having a high infiltration rate when thoroughly wetted.
B. Soils having a moderate infiltration rate when thoroughly wetted.
C. Soils having a slow infiltration rate when thoroughly wetted.
D. Soils having a very slow infiltration rate when thoroughly wetted.

**Subgroup Classification – See Classification of Soil Series Table in County Soil Survey.
Description of Site Topography and Drainage *(Attach additional sheets if needed)*:

Topographically, the site is approximately 700 feet above mean sea level (USGS, 1988). Drainage on the subject site occurs primarily by overland sheet flow in a west-to-east direction, towards Foster Branch of Shoal Creek.

List surface geologic units below:

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Brief description of site geology *(Attach additional sheets if needed)*:

The subject site is underlain by Fredericksburg Group, undivided (Kfr) and Edwards Limestone (Ked) (UT-BEG, 1995).

The Fredericksburg Group is an undivided mixture of Edwards Limestone (Ked), Comanche Peak Limestone (Kc), Keys Valley Marl (Kkv), Cedar Park Limestone (Kcp), and Bee Cave Marl (Kbc).

The Edwards Limestone is a thinly to massively bedded, hard to soft, cherty, fossiliferous, fine-grained limestone and dolomite that commonly have red clay and calcite associated with solution features, such as caves and collapsed zones. The Edwards Limestone is known to form caves and voids.

**Wells**— Identify all recorded and unrecorded wells on site (test holes, monitoring, water, oil, unplugged, capped and/or abandoned wells, etc.):

There are *0 (#s)* wells present on the project site and the locations are shown and labeled

- *0 (#s)* The wells are not in use and have been properly abandoned.
- *0 (#s)* The wells are not in use and will be properly abandoned.
- *0 (#s)* The wells are in use and comply with 16 TAC Chapter 76.

There are *2 (#s)* wells that are off-site and within 150 feet of this site.
11. THE VEGETATION REPORT – Provide the information requested below:

**Brief description of site plant communities** *(Attach additional sheets if needed):*

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There is woodland community on site .................................. ☑YES ☐ NO *(Check one)*. If yes, list the dominant species below:

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There is grassland/prairie/savanna on site .................................. ☐YES ☑ NO *(Check one)*. If yes, list the dominant species below:

There is hydrophytic vegetation on site .................................. ☑YES ☐ NO *(Check one)*. If yes, list the dominant species in table below *(next page)*.
A tree survey of all trees with a diameter of at least eight inches measured four and one-half feet above natural grade level has been completed on the site.

☐ YES ☒ NO (Check one).

12. WASTEWATER REPORT – Provide the information requested below.

Wastewater for the site will be treated by (Check of that Apply):

☐ On-site system(s)
☒ City of Austin Centralized sewage collection system
☐ Other Centralized collection system

*Note: All sites that receive water or wastewater service from the Austin Water Utility must comply with Chapter 15-12 of Austin City Code and wells must be registered with the City of Austin*

The site sewage collection system is designed and will be constructed to in accordance to all State, County and City standard specifications.

☒ YES ☐ NO (Check one).

Calculations of the size of the drainfield or wastewater irrigation area(s) are attached at the end of this report or shown on the site plan.

☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ Not Applicable (Check one).

Wastewater lines are proposed within the Critical Water Quality Zone?

☐ YES ☒ NO (Check one). If yes, then provide justification below:
Is the project site is over the Edwards Aquifer?

☑ YES ☐ NO (Check one).

If yes, then describe the wastewater disposal systems proposed for the site, its treatment level and effects on receiving watercourses or the Edwards Aquifer.

City of Austin already supplies wastewater disposal for the site.

13. One (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic copy of the completed assessment have been provided.

Date(s) ERI Field Assessment was performed: 7-25-2014 6-14-2015

Date(s)

My signature certifies that to the best of my knowledge, the responses on this form accurately reflect all information requested.

James Killian, PG 512-328-2430

Print Name Telephone james_killian@horizon-esi.com

Signature Email Address August 3, 2015

Name of Company Date

Horizon Environmental Services, Inc.

For project sites within the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone, my signature and seal also certifies that I am a licensed Professional Geoscientist in the State of Texas as defined by ECM 1.12.3(A).
# City of Austin Environmental Resource Inventory - Critical Environmental Feature Worksheet

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**For rimrock, locate the midpoint of the segment that describes the feature.**

**For wetlands, locate the approximate centroid of the feature and the estimated area.**

**For a spring or seep, locate the source of groundwater that feeds a pool or stream.**

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Please state the method of coordinate data collection and the approximate precision and accuracy of the points and the unit of measurement.

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Professional Geologists apply seal below.
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Legend

Subject Site


FIGURE 2

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MAIN MOTION 20161005 008A

Date: October 5, 2016

Motion by: Hank Smith
Seconded by: Michael Moya

Subject: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-0120

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13. If any tree is transplanted to a park area that relocation will be coordinated with PARD;
14. Applicant shall perform an evaluation of each heritage tree to be removed to determine if transplanting is feasible.
15. The redevelopment exception was not used by the Environmental Commission to determine environmental superiority.
16. Pursuant to the requested code modification, mitigation credit shall be provided for removing existing impervious cover in the critical root zone of regulated trees. Removal of impervious cover shall be required unless demonstrated removal is not feasible or would damage the tree.

VOTE 3-4-3

For: H. Smith, Moya, Grayum
Against: Perales, Maceo, Neely, Thompson
Abstain: None
Recuse: None
Absent: Creel, Guerrero, B. Smith
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION FIRST SUBSTITUTE MOTION 20161005 008A

Date: October 5, 2016

Motion by: Peggy Maceo Seconded by: Pam Thompson

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**VOTE 4-3-3 (Motion fails for lack of six votes)**

For: Perales, Maceo, Neely, Thompson

Against: H. Smith, Moya, Grayum

Abstain: None

Recuse: None

Absent: Creel, Guerrero, B. Smith
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION SECOND SUBSTITUTE MOTION 20161005 008A

Date: October 5, 2016

Motion by: Mary Ann Neely Seconded by: Marisa Perales

Subject: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-0120

RATIONALE:

Whereas, this project provides an opportunity to enhance environmental protections and provide much needed affordable housing and mixed use development in an area that has been mainly traditional office development since the 1970’s; and

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**VOTE 2-3-3 (Motion fails for lack of six votes)**

For: Neely, Perales

Against: Moya, Grayum, H. Smith

Abstain: Maceo, Thompson

Recuse: None

Absent: Creel, Guerrero, B. Smith
EXHIBIT N. Austin Oaks Affordable Housing Program

A. In order to meet the City's affordable housing goals and to ensure long-term affordability, the Landowner and the Landowner's successors and assigns (collectively referred to as the "Landowner") agree to the following:

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B. The Landowner agrees to enter into an agreement with the City of Austin that ensures compliance with Part XX of this PUD ordinance.

C. Income limits for the Affordable Housing Requirements shall be established annually as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

D. The Landowner shall file a written report with the Director of the City’s Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office, or their designee on the number and location of each Affordable Ownership Unit and Affordable Rental Unit meeting the Affordable Housing Requirements within the Austin Oaks PUD (the “Affordability Report”) in a format approved by the City. The initial Affordability Report shall be filed within 15 calendar days following March 31 or September 30 next following the date of recordation of a plat with residential units or site plan with residential units within the Austin Oaks PUD and be continuously filed on a semi-annual basis until the project is fully built out and sold.

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EDUCATIONAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Prepared for the City of Austin

PROJECT NAME: Austin Oaks PUD
ADDRESS/LOCATION: 3429 Executive Center Drive
CASE #: C814-2014-0120

☐ NEW SINGLE FAMILY ☐ DEMOLITION OF MULTIFAMILY
☒ NEW MULTIFAMILY ☐ TAX CREDIT

# SF UNITS: STUDENTS PER UNIT ASSUMPTION
Elementary School: Middle School: High School:

# MF UNITS: STUDENTS PER UNIT ASSUMPTION
Elementary School: 0.124 Middle School: 0.035 High School: 0.071

IMPACT ON SCHOOLS

The district-wide student yield factor (across all grade levels) is 0.23 per apartment. Using this district-wide average, the 277 multifamily development is projected to add approximately 64 students across all grade levels to the projected student population. However, because the development is proposing 75% one bedroom apartments, the number of students from this development is likely to be lower than the projected district-wide average of 64. It is estimated that of the 64 students, 34 will be assigned to Doss Elementary School, 10 to Murchison Middle School, and 20 at Anderson High School.

The current enrollment of 920 at Doss Elementary places the percent of permanent capacity at 169%, significantly above the target range of 75-115%. The projected increase in enrollment by SY 2019-20 coupled with the additional students from the proposed development would increase the percent of permanent capacity to 179% (64 percentage points above the target range), assuming the mobility rates remain the same. The school community and administration are currently discussing intervention strategies to address overcrowding at Doss.

Murchison Middle School is currently above the target range of permanent capacity by enrollment at 122%. The projected increase in enrollment by SY 2019-20 coupled with the additional students from the proposed subdivision would increase the percent of permanent capacity to 154%, assuming the mobility rates remain the same. The school community and administration would need to discuss intervention strategies to address overcrowding at Murchison MS.

The percent of permanent capacity by enrollment for SY 2019-20, including the additional students projected with this development, would be within the target range of 75-115% for Anderson HS (108%), assuming the mobility rates remain the same.
TRANSPORTATION IMPACT

Doss ES, Murchison MS and Anderson HS are located within 2 miles of the proposed development; therefore students would not qualify for transportation unless a hazardous route condition was identified.

SAFETY IMPACT

The construction of a sidewalk along the south side of Greystone Drive would increase the level of safety for student walkers.
### EDUCATIONAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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### DATA ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** Doss  
**RATING:** Met Standard

**ADDRESS:** 7005 Northledge  
**PERMANENT CAPACITY:** 543  
**MOBILITY RATE:** +1.4%

**% QUALIFIED FOR FREE/REDUCED LUNCH:** 12.70%

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**MIDDLE SCHOOL:** Murchison  
**RATING:** Met Standard

**ADDRESS:** 3700 North Hills Drive  
**PERMANENT CAPACITY:** 1,113  
**MOBILITY RATE:** +10.7%

**% QUALIFIED FOR FREE/REDUCED LUNCH:** 27.51%

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October 26, 2016

TO: ZAP Commissioners

CC: Andrew Moore, Case Manager, Austin Oaks PUD
Planning and Zoning Department

While we all have been working with the Austin Oaks PUD submission for almost three years, some of
the background and history may not be fresh in your minds, so I offer the following information to help
you with your deliberations next week. Much of this is from my personal perspective, which is
sometimes difficult to separate from the duties I’ve performed as NWACA President during 2014-15, and
now as a member of the NWACA Board and it’s Zoning and Transportation Committee. Please consider
this my personal message, though – it is not a message from the NWACA Board.

Factors that we need to keep in mind – and that have played a part in how I’ve worked on this PUD:

- Austin will continue to grow and change; Northwest Hills will be part of that change. Austin Oaks
  will be part of that change, whether we like that or not.
- Our population evolves; neighbors who’ve been here for decades move on, and new families
  move in. They have needs some current residents may not have – local playgrounds and parks
  are among those.
- As change happens, many of us would like to preserve the environment and character of our
  neighborhood. However, tradeoffs will need to be made. Our traffic issues are like those in the
  rest of the City, all of it exacerbated by increasing levels of housing stock in the outlying areas.
  Density is a tradeoff that helps mitigate traffic issues, given that public transit is made available
  to serve the density.
- Preserving trees as we add to our population requires more density; the more we sprawl, the
  more trees we lose.

From the start of this case, I’ve been part of the NWACA team working to inform the neighbors and
reflect their voice to the decision-makers on this case.

- We gathered the community in August 2014 (311 people) to learn about the first PUD plan. That
  meeting gave a clear message to the owner’s representative that the plan was unacceptable.
- We polled the community 3 times
  o once at the August meeting
  o once a month later to get to a larger audience (where 85% of the 683 respondents
    opposed the plan)
  o again in February, 2015 to get the reaction of the neighborhood to a set changes
    proposed by the owner’s representative (where 82% of the 501 respondents opposed
    the plan and 14% said more adjustments were needed)
- We met with the developer’s representative and other neighborhood groups for a year, trying to
  find a way forward, but failed. In June 2015, the NWACA Board asked the City and the owner to
  provide the neighborhood with a charrette, where neighborhood input could be gathered.
- That request was answered at a ZAP meeting in September, 2015 and the owner did a “reset,”
  bringing in a new team. Jon Ruff, the owner, and his new representative, Michael Whellan, met
  with neighborhood representatives on October 7 to kick off a new approach.
• The group at that meeting designated a subgroup as the charrette Working Group, which worked on the communications to the neighborhoods about the charrette events, including 2 information meetings and 2 input gathering meetings prior to the week-long charrette workshop held the last week of January, 2016. For the most part, the group worked well together and in good faith, as the charrette was prepared.
• The Working Group selected a nationally-respected charrette facilitator, Doug Farr, and they chose a local renowned design team, TBG, to provide the designers for the charrette. Throughout, the group was coordinated by Ben Luckens and me – he well-experienced in charrettes, and me reading about the details of how to run a charrette and doing a lot of legwork to ensure it all ran well.
• The charrette proceeded with a schedule agreed to by the working group, but there was disagreement (after the charrette) about several elements of the charrette:
  o A “Code Compliant Plan” was inserted into the mix but understood in different ways. The charrette design team, the charrette organizers, and some participants saw it as a baseline, against which their charrette designs would be gauged. It is very common for charrettes to have such a baseline; it’s never intended to be a candidate outcome. Some participants saw it as a true alternative to be evaluated and pushed for it to be considered as such.
  o In our planning, the process of getting to a final outcome was described as a consensus process that’s used in all charrettes, to whittle down the choices each evening as the charrette progressed. In the middle of the charrette design week, some participants convinced Doug Farr to conduct a vote. That vote was originally planned for Wednesday evening, but audience questions and discussion went so late that we had to leave the premises before that vote could happen. It was then conducted on Thursday night with those who were present Thursday night.
• Because the charrette was done by nationally-respected professionals and it followed the charrette process, the NWACA board supported the outcome of the charrette. It was the best means that the Board could find for getting community input in an organized way. A resolution to that effect was passed on February 10, 2016.
• The Working Group came apart a few weeks after the charrette, when those unhappy with the outcome separated from NWACA representatives; I can’t speak to the work they’ve done since.
• NWACA formed a Zoning Committee sub-committee to review the post-charrette round of PUD documents that were submitted to the City, to ensure that the proposal was in agreement with the outcome of the charrette. That committee spent many hours reviewing each update, identifying issues, talking them over with Mr. Whellan, and meeting with City Staff in several departments to get questions answered.
• Based on the sub-committee’s work, the NWACA Board found that the submission now before you supports the outcome of the charrette, and they expressed that in their resolution of September 14, 2016. What is in the submission conforms to the charrette outcome, balancing tradeoffs among the 4 T’s – trees, tall, traffic, and “t’schools,” to quote Doug Farr.

In getting to a good outcome, we’re all making tradeoffs. I see those tradeoffs as worthwhile:
• With the PUD, we get an agreement in which the neighborhood has a say. We set conditions that need to be met, and we have a City ordinance with which to enforce them.
We have language now in the submitted Land Use Plan that ensures that the neighborhood will be informed of any change – even administrative changes – before they are approved, so that we can speak to them.

- With this PUD, we get a mixed use development, with retail and restaurants and housing; without the PUD, we live with whatever the owner chooses to build on that site, most likely all office space.
- With this PUD, we get parks – a 2.37-acre Neighborhood Park, a .52-acre Heritage Park, and a 5.24-acre Creek Park – all public usable green space that will be deeded to the City of Austin. In addition, we get $1.5M of funding to develop the Neighborhood Park. Without this PUD, we get none of that.
- With this PUD, we minimize the impact on school overcrowding by keeping the housing units relatively small. We also get affordable housing – 10% of the 250 units are designated as affordable housing units. And half of those are offered at an income level that fits AISD teachers, with teachers having preference for those units – enabling those who teach in the nearby area schools to live in the neighborhood.
- With this PUD, we get traffic mitigation from the owner to help contend with the traffic generated. Without the PUD, we’ll get at least the same number of 19,000 total trips/day – it could be as much as 25,000 or more. With the PUD, we get a cap on additional traffic and we get at least the 4 traffic improvements required of the owner. We trust that the City and TXDOT will provide other funds to help with the inevitable traffic congestion and that which we see now.
- With this PUD, we get creek restoration – enhancing the Creek Park mentioned above. That’s a significant investment we would not get without the PUD.
- With this PUD, we sacrifice some trees, but we get additional trees planted. And... heritage trees will naturally grow from what is there now and from the small ones that are planted. Our tradeoffs don’t naturally appear - Parks don’t grow from saplings or seeds; teacher housing doesn’t; retail doesn’t; restaurants don’t.

I’ve done my best to keep the neighborhood’s many interests in mind throughout his process, and I’ve tried to keep an even keel in how I talk about it. I’d ask that other neighbors do the same. We all have the same goal – a vibrant, happy neighborhood.

A lot of time has gone into the 2.5 years of the PUD proposals. I can personally account for at least 600 hours, 70 of them in the charrette week alone. Others have also spent a lot of time. How many ZAP meetings? How many hour of ZAP Commissioner meetings, emails, reading time? It’s now time that we move on and get decisions made. I urge you to support this proposal and get it moved on to City Council.

Thanks very much!

Joyce Statz
Chair and Members of the Zoning and Platting Commission

I am asking that you recommend approval of the Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development as currently submitted.

I served as the volunteer project manager for the Austin Oaks charrette held in January 2016. I do not work for Spire Realty or any of its consultants and I do not speak for them. I am a member of the Northwest Civic Association (NWACA) but I do not speak for that organization.

In June of 2015, the NWACA board passed a resolution opposing the Austin Oaks PUD, as then proposed, and requested that the City host and the developer fund a design charrette for the Austin Oaks site. The City failed to respond and, at that time, the developer expressed no interest. In September of 2015, the developer did agree to fund a charrette and NWACA took up management responsibility for the charrette.

I took on the task of organizing the Austin Oaks charrette because I believe that an open and collaborative design process leads to a better result than what comes out of years of seemingly endless negotiations.

A charrette is a design approach to resolving land use conflict. A charrette reaches consensus through an iterative feedback-driven design process that includes all of the affected stakeholders working together on a collaborative basis.

Throughout a charrette, design alternatives are tested against a list of objectives, strategies, and measures (OSMs). The OSMs for the Austin Oaks charrette were developed by a committee of stakeholders all of whom, with the exception of the developer and his representative, were opposed to the original PUD submittal. Some of the OSMs conflicted with one another. It was recognized that trade-offs would have to be made through the design process.

A committee of neighborhood stakeholders selected the design consultants. The design consultants included:

- Doug Farr, FAIA as charrette design facilitator. Doug is a nationally recognized urban designer
- TBG Partners as project designers. TBG Partners have designed successful developments throughout Texas. They brought a full complement of architects, landscape architects, and illustrators to the charrette
- Urban Design Group as civil engineers. Urban Design Group is a leader in ‘green’ infrastructure
- Kimley-Horn as transportation engineers. Kimley-Horn is Austin’s transportation consultant for CodeNext
The charrette was conducted from January 25-29. During the charrette, the designers developed plan alternatives, discussing and testing them for feasibility against:

- Market constraints
- Neighborhood constraints
- Physical and environmental constraints
- Regulatory constraints
- Financial constraints
- The OSMs

The alternatives were also compared against a “code compliant plan” - what could be built by the developer under his existing entitlements. To a great degree, the challenge to the designers was to design a project that was superior to the “code compliant” plan. That, of course, is also the bar set by the City’s PUD ordinance.

Neighborhood stakeholders, public agency staff, and the general public reviewed the design alternatives each day of the charrette and that input was the feedback that informed the next design iteration.

The plan that was presented at the conclusion of the charrette the “preferred plan” was demonstrably superior in terms of urban design, transportation, public facilities, and water-quality to the “code compliant plan” and superior to the designs previously presented to the neighborhoods. The plan that came out of the charrette also met most but not all of the OSMs as trade-offs were made through the design process. Tables comparing the various plans, including the most recent PUD submittal are attached to this letter.

The most significant advantages of the current PUD plan relative to the “code compliant” plan include:

- Superior urban design (the mix of uses and the relationships of the buildings to each other, to their environmental context, and to the public sphere)
- Creation of pedestrian-friendly streetscapes
- Addition of parkland, trails, and improvements
- Provision of covered transit stops
- Funding for transportation improvements
- Creek restoration including restoration of riparian vegetation
- Reduction of impervious cover

As we enter into this phase of the process, my goal and the goal of a number of us in the neighborhood is to ensure that the integrity of the charrette plan is maintained as it undergoes final review. During the charrette, I referred to it as the “what you see is what you get” charrette. Three items are critical to making sure that the charrette vision is maintained as the project is developed:

- Retaining the location of the buildings, trails, sidewalks, and other
improvements shown on the PUD land plan. This is essential to maintaining the urban design benefits of Austin Oaks.

- Including the mean sea level measurements in the building height tables. This ensures that the taller building on Mopac stays in an area of lower elevation and, hopefully, establishes an effective height cap along this stretch of Mopac
- Providing prior notice to neighborhoods of administrative approvals to the land plan so that neighbors and neighborhood organizations have the opportunity to object to changes

Current language on the land plan accomplishes these ends.

As Austin continues to grow and becomes more dense in response to demographic changes, market forces, and public policy, we face two major challenges; where to best locate increased density and how to mitigate that density.

In the case Austin Oaks, the first challenge is addressed by geography. Austin Oaks is a proposed infill project on an existing office park site located on an urban freeway. The decision making it a commercial node is reflected by it’s existing entitlements. Those entitlements support a doubling of what currently exists on the site (from 445,322 sq ft to 890,795 sq ft).

As for the second challenge, I believe we mitigate density through design, by including open space, and with transit. Austin Oaks is a transit-ready project that supports bus transit, it includes natural and improved open space, and its mixed-use design reflects the work of nationally respected urban design professionals. The mixed-use aspect of the project also supports neighborhood commercial and reduces the traffic impact of an office-only development.

I will be at the Zoning and Platting Commission meeting on Tuesday and will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

Ben Luckens, AICP
Luckens Planning Consultants
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<td><strong>Building Density</strong></td>
<td>446,091 square feet [sf]</td>
<td>Total 1,618,904 sf. (653,376 residential, 888,376 office, 89,028 retail, 8,000 restaurant)</td>
<td>Total 1,196,000 sf. (846,000 office, 50,000 restaurant / retail, 210,000 residential, 90,000 hotel)</td>
<td>Total 1,191,700 sf. (835,000 office, 12,800 restaurant, 30,900 retail, 90,000 hotel 250 dwelling units in 223,000 sq. ft. mixed use)</td>
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<td><strong>Building Heights</strong></td>
<td>12 buildings; 8 are 2-story, 4 are 3-story; Mix of LO, LR (max 40') and GR (max 60')</td>
<td>Unclear number of buildings, but heights cited by area: A, B, G - 60 ft. (4 stories) E - 70 ft. (5 stories) F - 125 ft. (8 stories) C - 210 ft. (14 stories) D - 225 ft. (17 stories)</td>
<td>3 7-story office buildings 4 5-story office buildings 2 1-story restaurant buildings 1 5-story hotel 1 4-story residential complex</td>
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<td><strong>Imagine Austin Plan</strong></td>
<td>Imagine Austin NA for current development</td>
<td>Staff comments in August were favorable with respect to Imagine Austin</td>
<td>Reviewed by design team and visiting City staff</td>
<td>City staff comments say the PUD application is supported by Imagine Austin</td>
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<td><strong>Impervious Cover</strong></td>
<td>66%</td>
<td>65% over whole site</td>
<td>Not computed</td>
<td>Limited to 58% over whole site</td>
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<td><strong>Multifamily Housing</strong></td>
<td>None; hence no impact on schools</td>
<td>610 units, estimated to add 125-150 students to local schools</td>
<td>210 non-family units</td>
<td>250 units (efficiencies, 1BR, and 2BR) – some for sale and some for rent; count of 250 also includes any condos developed as part of the hotel property Educational Impact Statement estimates 64 students added to local schools</td>
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<td><strong>Open Space</strong></td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>To exceed PUD requirements</td>
<td>6 acres proposed [park and creek area]</td>
<td>11 acres overall; 8.5 acres in parks, with 5.34 acres credited as parkland</td>
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<td>Parkland Onsite</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>None; intended to do fee in lieu</td>
<td>2-acre park</td>
<td>2.37 acres in Neighborhood Park; 0.52 in Heritage Park; 0.3 in Heritage Trail; 2.15 in Creek Park; all three parks to be deeded to City of Austin PARD; $1,546,500 for development of Neighborhood and Heritage Parks</td>
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<td>Pedestrian Safety Improvements</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Not addressed</td>
<td>TBD with TIA</td>
<td>Intersection improvements; Heritage Trail, bicycle and pedestrian improvements on site</td>
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<td>Public Transit</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not addressed on site</td>
<td>2 covered bus stops, one on Hart Lane, one at Executive Center Drive and Wood Hollow</td>
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<td>Traffic – avg. trips/day</td>
<td>4,086 trips daily</td>
<td>Adds 20,736 trips/day for a total of 24,984 trips</td>
<td>Total estimated 17,000 (used internal capture rate of 14% from Institute of Traffic Engineers, while application uses COA 5% rate)</td>
<td>Net New Trips = 16,596 Internal capture = 1,034 Net New External = 15,562 Total trips 2024 = 19,648</td>
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<td>Traffic Improvements</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>12 recommendations for changes listed in the TIA; no estimates of costs included; later estimated at $1M</td>
<td>TBD with development of TIA</td>
<td>Austin Transportation Department selected 4 improvements to be paid for by the applicant, at $745K (out of an estimated $2.015M for all options). In first phase, $420K for signal at Hart and Spicewood and $35K for right turn movement from Spicewood to Loop 1. Later, $160K for deceleration lane on Mopac access road, and $130K for an acceleration lane on the access road.</td>
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<td><strong>Trees</strong></td>
<td>Survey showed 746 trees surveyed, 72 as heritage (&gt;24”); 98 as protected (&gt;19”)</td>
<td>63 heritage trees preserved (of 72)</td>
<td>52 heritage trees preserved (of 71) 19 heritage trees removed 83 protected trees preserved (of 106) 23 protected trees removed (survey included trees in Mopac Right of Way, while PUD application does not)</td>
<td>57 heritage trees preserved (of 70) 13 heritage trees removed 66 protected trees preserved (of 97) 31 protected trees removed 327 non-protected trees preserved (of 566) 239 non-protected trees removed Replacement trees will be at least 8 feet in height</td>
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<td><strong>Water Quality</strong></td>
<td>Built before City had strict water quality treatment requirements</td>
<td>Planned to comply with current water quality regulations</td>
<td>Throughout site, including 4-acre creek greenbelt</td>
<td>Treatment throughout site, with a minimum of 20,000 cubic feet of detention either from laying back part of the west side of the creek or creating a dual-use detention/parkland area on the east side of the creek</td>
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<td>Financial Feasible</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Mixture of compatible uses to serve the neighborhood</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes - but only modest amount</td>
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<td>Traffic</td>
<td>Comparable</td>
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<td>Off-Site Transportation Improvements</td>
<td>Yes - will be required by TIA</td>
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<td>Trees</td>
<td>Save fewer Heritage trees Retains more tree clusters and habitats</td>
<td>Saves more individual Heritage Trees</td>
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<td>Parks</td>
<td>Yes - 2 acre neighborhood park with features</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Creek Greenbelt</td>
<td>Yes - 4 acres with restaurants, trails, creek restaurants</td>
<td>Yes - But only modest amount</td>
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<td>Environmental Superiority</td>
<td>Yes - Complies with current codes for CEF's Creek setbacks, etc.</td>
<td>No - Complies only with Redevelopment Provision of Code.</td>
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<td>Building Heights</td>
<td>4-7 Floors</td>
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<td>Square Footage</td>
<td>1,196,000 sf</td>
<td>890,795 sf</td>
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<td>Regional Detention Potential within creek channel</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Ability to enforce superior urban design and placemaking</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Requires zoning change</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Engages public input</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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Dear Commissioners:

Please vote YES on the Austin Oaks PUD proposal before you on November 1. It would transform the existing 12-building private office park into a 12-building mixed-use village center with public parks that are equivalent in size to 5 downtown blocks.

These would be Northwest Hills’ first neighborhood parks. Northwest Hills is the most densely-populated neighborhood in the City of Austin without a neighborhood park. Additionally, all possible neighborhood park sites in our neighborhood are already in private ownership. If this proposal supported by our neighborhood association is denied, we will likely go at least another generation with no neighborhood parks.

This parkland will be located next to a cluster of six affordable apartment complexes that increasingly serve immigrant families with children. The current lack of neighborhood parks has a particularly detrimental impact on our neighbors from these complexes, many of whom are families with children and who are transit dependent. (They can’t simply jump in a car and drive to another neighborhood’s park.)

In evaluating this proposal, please consider:

- The proposal before you was developed by our neighborhood through a weeklong open, transparent public process. Even those who are urging you to vote “no” participated in this process.

- The proposal was endorsed by 64 percent of the participants who voted at the end of the charrette.

- The proposal was endorsed unanimously by the board of our neighborhood association, Northwest Austin Civic Association (NWACA).

- The proposal provides significant public benefits:
  - 8.5 acres of dedicated parkland (equivalent in size to 5 downtown blocks)
  - 11 acres of public open space
  - Restoration of the creek bed running through the site
  - Reduction of impervious cover of 35,687 sq. ft.
  - A 2.37-acre neighborhood park that is over 35% larger than Republic Square Park or Wooldridge Square Park and which is 100% level and suitable for open play
Our neighborhood has worked very hard to secure our first neighborhood parks through this process. Please don’t take this away from us.

I have provided two comparison tables below. Thank you for considering my comments.

Brewster McCracken

4209 Prickly Pear Dr.
Austin, TX 78731

P.S.: I am providing these comments as a private citizen and NWACA member. I am not a lobbyist and have no financial or professional interest in this matter or in the real estate industry.

**Comparison of existing Austin Oaks office park to NWACA-endorsed PUD proposal**

**Current Austin Oaks office park**

- 12 buildings
- Up to 1 million square feet of zoning entitlements
- No parkland
- No creek restoration
- No public open space
- Single use, auto dependent
- 66% impervious cover

**Mixed-used village center PUD developed by neighborhood residents and endorsed by NWACA**

- 12 buildings
- Up to 1.19 million square feet of zoning entitlements
- Dedicated parkland equivalent in size to 5 downtown blocks

*100% of the neighborhood park acres is level and suitable for open play*

- Creek bed will be restored
- 11 acres public open space
- Mixed use
- 35,687 sq. ft. reduction in impervious cover from current site

**Changes to original PUD proposal brought about through neighborhood charrette**

- 26% reduction in square feet (reduction of 427,204 sq. ft.)
• Added neighborhood’s first neighborhood parks
• Reduced impervious cover by 31,226 sq. ft.
• Added creek bed restoration
• Substantial reduction in proposed building heights

Here is the math on the “5 downtown blocks” calculation:

• A downtown block is 76,176 sq. ft. (276’ x 276’)  
• One acre is 43,560 sq. ft.
• 8.5 acres = 370,260 sq. ft.
• 370,260 ÷ 76,176 = 4.86
I am writing to support the current proposal for the Austin Oaks PUD. Here is why:

A charrette process was undertaken consisting of neighborhood stakeholders and the developer in a public effort, presided over by a facilitator. The "Preferred Plan" that came out of the charrette was supported by a majority vote of the participants. The latest PUD submittal was vetted heavily for general compliance with the "Preferred Plan".

The NWACA zoning committee and the NWACA board both passed resolutions supporting the charrette process and stating that the latest submittal supports the results of the charrette process.

Council Member Gallo supports the latest submittal because it represents years of intensive work by the neighborhood association and developer working together to mold this project into the best possible product by mitigating height, traffic, drainage, impervious cover and increasing community benefit via parks, trails, retail, restaurants, and affordable housing for teachers. The proposed impervious cover is actually decreasing.

The developer has offered a lot of new design improvements, very much different and more desirable that the original submittal.

The alternative would be for the developer to develop the site in smaller tracts under existing conventional zoning that would not require any kind of superiority or public contributions like the extensive parks that are proposed. It would bypass the neighborhood input that has made this development an actual benefit to the neighborhood.
Please vote for approval.

John B.
As an Austin resident and voter, I want to register my support for projects that make more housing available.

I think it is crazy, during a housing shortage, to block proposals to build more housing.

Thanks
Geoff Bradford
6208 Sun Vista Dr
Austin, TX 78749
Hello Commissioners,

I am writing to request that you support the Austin Oaks PUD and do not block it, but instead pass it and send it on to Council. My understanding is that it is coming up for discussion next Tuesday November 1st, 6pm at the Zoning and Platting Commission Meeting.

There is no questions that such a project will reduce regional traffic and provide residents of the neighborhood with a higher quality of life, while being aligned with Imagine Austin. Continued opposition to such projects is dramatically damaging to Austin, causing more climate emissions, greater traffic, and dislocation of low income people.

Thanks,
Jay

Jay Blazek Crossley
Texas Policy Analyst
713-244-4746
Hi Commissioners,

I am writing in support of the Austin Oaks PUD proposal. I live in north-central Austin and am in the Austin Oaks area about once a week. From what I've seen, the process to arrive at this latest proposal has represented significant work by both Spire and the neighborhood to come to something that I think is win-win for both. I was happy to read that the proposed project has taken significant steps to address neighbor concerns regarding traffic, drainage, impervious cover, and even height, while still providing community benefits such as parks, trails, retail space, and more affordable housing.

I believe voting in favor of this project would send a positive signal to both developers and neighborhood groups for the future that this is a model that can work: neither trying to avoid all development and increased housing supply that has broad but diffuse benefits, but also not ignoring legitimate concerns from those nearby with narrower but more acute concerns.

Respectfully,
Marcus Denton
D7
I was a member of the steering committee for the Austin Oaks charrette and it yielded a preferred plan that reflects stakeholder feedback, while achieving a fair and equitable compromise. I was also able to procure a $15K grant from the National Association of Realtors through the Austin Board of Realtors to assist in the funding of the charrette. NWACA has reviewed and monitored the owner’s proposal and the staff’s additional conditions, which honors and reflects the charrette preferred plan. The property could be redeveloped under current code provisions with anywhere from 800,000 – 975,000 sq feet of office with no traffic improvements, no reduction of impervious cover, no detention, and certainly no parkland. The proposal provides 8.5 acres of public parkland, environmental superiority, traffic improvements, and a mix of uses in exchange for modest increase in overall leasable square footage (approximately 200,000 more sq. ft spread over 30 acres, which equates to approximately an additional 15,000 sq feet per acre). As a long-time neighborhood resident, former Board member of NWACA, a member of the working group, and a participant in the design charrette, I support the owner’s proposal with the staff’s conditions.
I support the Austin Oaks PUD proposal. I believe the latest plan would be very beneficial to the area.

-S. Garity
Zoning and Platting Commissioners,

Please support the Austin Oaks PUD. Our neighborhoods deserve more community benefits like restaurants, parks, and retail and the latest proposal will provide us with that. We also need to increase our tax base in Austin by allowing more density in order to sustain services we offer Austinites.

Thank you,
Pete Gilcrease
Hello All,

I am writing in support of the Austin Oaks PUD.

The developer and surrounding neighborhoods have worked together collaboratively, and NWACA and the developer have arrived at an understanding. The opposition may be vocal, but ultimately, they constitute a minority.

As Austin grows, we can either add more office space (relatively) close to downtown, or increase the pressures for Austin to sprawl. I'd rather see office space added on a site that has already been developed, then extend infrastructure, roads, and services to a new site on the periphery, adding to Austin's infrastructure maintenance obligations and compromising the effectiveness of mass transit, which depends on compact and connected development patterns.

This new office space will add much-needed revenue to Austin's tax rolls, helping to offset the ever-increasing tax burden on homeowners and landlords.

I would support adding more housing to the Austin Oaks PUD. In order to keep the housing market stable and prevent rapid increases in home prices and rents, we must add housing as fast as, or faster than, we are adding jobs. If anything, Austin Oaks needs a couple hundred more housing units.

Thanks for your consideration,

Evan Gill
Hi -

Stakeholders went to the trouble of conducting a 3-day long charrette which dramatically scaled back the developer’s original plans and resulted in a plan which most participants felt good about, including many who were formerly opposed.

Of course now the NIMBY’s are moving the goal posts again, asking you to oppose this project, likely because "it lacks neighborhood input" and "no one told them this was happening!"

Don't fall for this nonsense. Support the revised Austin Oaks PUD and let's let Austin get on with having a property tax base that supports our ambitions without unduly burdening single family home owners in the process.

Thank you.
The Austin Oaks PUD has gone through a strong process, with a neighborhood charrette and support from NWACA. Its a good project - revamping old office buildings into a more mixed and vibrant place, including badly needed residential multi-family as well as a variety of other uses. If we want to preserve the environment, we need more places like this in Central Austin, not fewer. People need to be able to work, live, and play centrally if we want to reduce our carbon footprint. Stopping or dramatically scaling back a project like this does not stop demand for office or housing, it just means that people will like have to be further spread out, and sprawl will continue to take its environmental toll, with longer commutes, increasing impact on climate change, and a more economically stratified and weaker metro area.

Sincerely,
Brennan Griffin
Zoning and Platting Commissioners:

My name is Jared Haas, a local building designer, and Austinite of 10 years. I am writing on behalf of being a proud Austinite of 10 years, rather than as a building designer. I originally moved to Austin for its culture, progressive nature, beauty, diversity, and affordability. However, due to Austin’s current lack of affordability, it is drastically affecting its culture, progressive nature, beauty, and diversity. A simple solution would be to just move. However, I am not ready to give up on Austin that easily. I have purposefully made this my home and wish to plant roots here, ultimately to own a home and start a family. As it currently stands, and I speak for the majority of Austinites in 2016, this is not looking like a possibility. In order to achieve this, the majority of Austinites need to speak up to its governing officials who install the laws and language to put us in the right direction. Allowing (smart) density within the urban core will help increase the housing supply and decrease the extensive demand that has been driving up housing and land costs. I strongly support this PUD development as outlined by David Whitworth’s email below:

My name is David Whitworth and I live about a block from Austin Oaks with my wife and two children. I urge you to support the latest PUD submittal by Spire.

I am writing you as a neighbor with my personal thoughts although I am involved with NWACA as a board member and zoning chair. I simply point that out so you know I have followed this closely and actively for years now, although not as closely as some our hardest working neighbors: Ben Luckens & Joyce Statz.

It is well known now that this is the latest in a string of submittals by Spire since 2014 with their second consultant and after an intensive charrette process. The charrette process consisted of neighborhood stakeholders and the developer in the same room working out details in a public effort with design professionals that was presided over by a facilitator. The "Preferred Plan" that came out of the charrettes was supported by a majority vote of the participants. The latest submittal was vetted heavily for general compliance with the "Preferred Plan".

The NWACA zoning committee and the NWACA board both passed resolutions supporting the charrette process and stating that the latest submittal supports the results of the charrette process. Council Member Gallo has now come out in support of the latest submittal because it represents years of intensive work by the neighborhood association and developer working together to mold this project into the best possible product by mitigating height, traffic, drainage, impervious cover and increasing community benefit via parks, trails, retail, restaurants, and affordable housing for teachers. Note the impervious cover is actually decreasing.
The current development at Austin Oaks is largely a parking lot, with little positive impact on my quality of life as a neighbor. It offers zero interaction with neighbors via social gathering spots and meeting places. If the developer has agreed to reduce height and contribute to traffic mitigation while including parks, trails, retail and restaurant amenities, and housing for more neighbors, then this is the kind of product I would like to see near my home. It will enhance the options and amenities our neighborhood can enjoy and keep me from driving through 3 other neighborhoods to get to all the great amenities on Burnet Road, which many NWACA residents currently must do adding more vehicle miles traveled needlessly.

Northwest Hills is a wonderful suburban community that is still close in. People like that. The people I know and hear from also like all the great amenities and social places that Austin has to offer but feel that gets lighter on the West side of Mopac in our area. The developer has offered up quite a lot, while reducing objectionable impacts from previous submittals. This is a win-win scenario placed at the edge of our neighborhood along a highway and major road (Mopac at Spicewood Springs/Anderson).

Please vote in favor and do not go to subcommittee or deny this case requiring super-majority at council. As properties continue to appreciate I fear that this site would be broken up into smaller tracts under conventional zoning that would not require any kind of superiority or public contributions we will enjoy like parks. It would certainly bypass any of the neighborhood input that has made this development an actual benefit to the neighborhood.

Best Regards,
David Whitworth

I strongly hope you take our emails into consideration and vote to help shape a positive and inclusive future for everyone.

Regards,

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From: Chris Hajdu
To: Moore, Andrew
Subject: Fw: Letter to ZAP Commissioners Regarding the Austin Oaks Property
Date: Monday, October 31, 2016 3:42:27 PM

FYI... see below.

On Monday, October 31, 2016 3:37 PM, Chris Hajdu <chajdu@yahoo.com> wrote:

Dear ZAP Commissioners,

My name is Chris Hajdu and I live in the Northwest Hills neighborhood where the Austin Oaks property is located. In the spirit of full disclosure, I am also a member of the NWACA Board (since Jan 2014,) and I am the current NWACA president (since Jan 2016.) As a board member and president, I have witnessed the many hundreds of hours that members of our community have invested in working with the developer in order to work on a compromise plan that is much improved from the original plan proposed back in 2014.

However, I am NOT writing this letter to you as the NWACA president but as a current resident of Northwest Hills and as a resident of Austin. Since 1991, I have lived close to the Austin Oaks property, having lived in the Great Hills, Enfield, and Brentwood neighborhoods. I currently live in Northwest Hills where I have resided for the past 5 years.

I urge you to support the latest application submitted for the Austin Oaks property. I have several reasons for this:

(1) This property is currently underutilized and gives many residents no reason to visit the property. I had never stepped foot on the Austin Oaks property until I visited the property as a representative of NWACA back in 2015. This property is empty outside of normal working hours, including nights and weekends. Note that current-zoning entitlements will continue to allow this type of office development and would continue this pattern of underutilization.

(2) Due to a lack of retail and restaurants in Northwest Hills, many people get in their cars and drive to Anderson Lane, Burnet Road, Hancock, the Domain, Arboretum or West Bank on Loop 360. I see my fellow Northwest Hills neighbors out for dinner and shopping in these areas all the time. We have some retail options along Far West, and Mesa/Spicewood, but I would like to see more restaurant and retail options for our neighbors that will keep them in our area. Also, it would be nice to have places that many could walk or bike to as well.

(3) Opponents of the PUD, speak to the wonderful environmental features and trees on the property. I agree with them, it is a beautiful property. However, at this time, the property is not a destination to be visited by anyone except for the people who work or visit the businesses located there. By adding parkland, restoring the creek area, and adding restaurant and retail, we can create a place that can be enjoyed by more of the residents in the area to enjoy this wonderful site. From an environmental standpoint, the current property is basically one giant parking lot with lots of impervious cover. The latest PUD application includes less impervious cover as well over the entire
property.

(4) Over the years, with my young child in tow, I have visited the "cow" park in the Arboretum, the park at Central Market, the splash pad/park at the Triangle, and the park at Mueller. All of these locations involved getting in the car and driving throughout Austin, which can be rough if you try to do it after work. Having a park in the neighborhood would be great for people who want to visit a park at any hour of the day without having to sit in traffic. The NWACA area is undeserved by parkland today (many of our parks are co-located with schools and are unavailable during school hours and even after school most days.) I would like to see new parkland that would be available all day for the use of residents without having to travel throughout congested roadways in Austin.

For these reasons, I would like to see this property maximized by increasing its utilization as parkland, residential, retail and office space rather than leaving it under the current zoning that exists today.

Please consider supporting the Austin Oaks application.

Sincerely,

Chris Hajdu  
Northwest Hills resident since 2011  
Austin resident since 1991  
4006 Rockledge Drive  
Austin, Texas 78731  

Chris Hajdu 512.426.9845
Dear Zoning and Planning Members,

Please support the Austin Oaks projects submittal. It is my understanding, based on the input of well informed neighbors of the project, that it is has been well thought out and carefully planned WITH neighborhood input that provides good amenities that will enhance the neighborhood. This is a GOOD product of collaborative and thoughtful design. Don’t let the input of those who would say, “NO!” to any development of any sort ruin what could be a really good project in a part of town that could use more of this sort of community centric work.

Thank you,
Janet L. Hobbs

Janet L. Hobbs, AIBD
Hobbs' Ink Custom Home Design
www.hobbs.ink  www.hobbsink.com
Dear Commissioners and Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Austin Oaks Planned Urban Development (PUD).

As a resident of Northwest Hills, I have been actively involved in the Austin Oaks PUD process since the first public meetings. At the first community forum held on August 19, 2014, I was one of the first speakers to stand and raise serious concerns about the traffic impact of the proposed PUD. At the time, I was in the midst of recovering from being hit by a car that came up on a sidewalk while I was walking near my home on Far West Blvd. I did not want increased traffic in my neighborhood or the attendant risks that it posed for pedestrians as well as the many children who walk and bike to our local schools every day, including my two daughters.

I continued my opposition to the Austin Oaks PUD until Spire Reality agreed to participate in the charrette process organized by the Northwest Austin Civic Association. I attended as many sessions of the charrette process as possible. By the end of the charrette, I moved from opposing the PUD to supporting the preferred plan, which was developed during the course of the charrette.

I believe that the plan proposed by Spire Reality is in keeping with the results of the charrette and represents the best direction for the property and my neighborhood. Among the many positives of the plan, it will significantly enhance my neighborhood through increased park space and restoration of the creek that runs through the property.

I encourage you to cast your vote in support of the proposal before you.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Kaplan, Ph.D.
4102 Far West Blvd
Dear Commissioners,

My name is Dean Lupul and I am writing in support of the latest Austin Oaks PUD proposal. I have a family of five and I live and work in Northwest Hills so I have been monitoring the progress of the site plan closely. In short, I believe the type of development and amenities proposed is exactly what the area needs.

Please vote in favor of the current Austin Oaks PUD proposal.

Sincerely,

Dean Lupul
Hello,
I am writing as a resident of Northwest Hills and asking that you SUPPORT the Austin Oaks proposed PUD. Our neighborhood association did an amazing job of creating an inclusive, transparent process to allow all residents to provide input into what this development should look like. The developer has worked very hard to listen and incorporate that feedback. The Charette process was a best in class procedure that should serve as a teaching model for all other neighborhoods. We are thrilled that the density is reasonable and building heights limited. We are gaining a park and green space that we have never had and the City could not give us. It is a win-win for all of us.

I participated fully in the process which was fair and balanced. The nay Sayers thought so too until they realized that they lost when all the votes were in. Then they immediately started to try to tear down and poke holes in the process they asked for and helped create. Please don't be persuaded by their half truths and misstatements. The same handful of people who opposed the project at the beginning and still do. They always will. There is no redevelopment they would be happy with or agree to. But the majority of our neighborhood who stepped up and participated support the outcome. And the current proposal honors it. Do not let the Vocal minority convince you that our neighborhood doesn't want this. It is simply not true.

Please support the AO PUD. Thank you.

Shannon Meroney
(512) 731-6615
Smeroney333@gmail.com
Please excuse my friend Siri's typing
Dear Zoning and Planning Commissioners,

My name is Deborah Pardo-Kaplan and I live on Far West Blvd in Northwest Hills. I am in favor of the Austin Oaks Development. I attended the entire Charrette Process and felt it was fair. The preferred plan was supported by a majority of people and would have been supported even further had parents of young kids been able to attend the meetings. Council Member Gallo is in support as well.

I feel Austin Oaks will be a benefit for our neighborhood, including its parks, housing (that could be used by teachers), its retail and restaurants and hotel. There are currently no playgrounds except at the schools. And I think the developer is generous in offering this to our area.

While I am aware of traffic concerns, I believe working with Cap Metro will help with this issue and also I believe the development will create more walkability in the neighborhood as some residents will work there and bike there.

Please vote in favor of the Austin Oaks planned urban development. The voices who oppose are loud, but it doesn't mean they are the majority.

Thanks you.

Deborah Pardo-Kaplan
Hello
I am writing to voice my support for the proposal to redevelop Austin Oaks. Currently the property is not very attractive, nor does it provide many neighborhood amenities. With the extensive input process, I'm encouraged that the developer has listened to neighborhood demands and is offering substantial community benefits including greenspace and retail that would cut down on car trips for nearby residents. Imagine Austin calls for a more compact and connected city, with preservation of greenspace being a high priority. With the redevelopment of Austin Oaks we would get better flood mitigation, less impervious cover, and increased neighborhood amenities, all at no cost to the taxpayer, and actually increase the tax base by the increased value of the property. To me this is win-win for all sides and I urge your support.

Thank you for your time, and for your service to the city.

Mary Pustejovsky
Andrew:
In your role as the city's Case Manager, I want to insure you know of my support for the Austin Oaks PUD.
Thanks for your help.

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: David Siegel <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: Thu, Nov 3, 2016 at 10:55 AM
Subject: Please support the Austin Oaks PUD
To: <steve.adler@austintexas.gov>, <ora.houston@austintexas.gov>, <district2@austintexas.gov>, <sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov>, <gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov>, <district5@austintexas.gov>, <don.zimmerman@austintexas.gov>, <district7@austintexas.gov>, <district8@austintexas.gov>, <kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov>, <district10@austintexas.gov>

This message is from David Siegel. [Redacted]

Dear Council:
I am a homeowner of the Northwest Hills area, and I am writing to express support for the proposed Austin Oaks PUD.

The project represents significant input from city staff, regional experts and also my neighbors through the charrette process. I’m satisfied that as Austin Oaks is redeveloped, the additional housing, office, retail, restaurant, and park space will become a vibrant part of our community.

Additionally, I’m hopeful that with increased density at the periphery of our neighborhood, we as a community can work with CTRMA, TXDOT, and CapMetro will help connect our area with other developments and areas of town to help people move around town for work or leisure. While an impact to heritage and protected trees is not anything any of us in Austin desire, I find the tree plan acceptable in its current state, and look forward to the inclusion of those trees and newly planted trees in the streetscapes that are envisioned in the heritage trail and new bike lanes.

You may include my support in any case back-up materials.

Thank you for the consideration and helping our neighborhood shape a smart future for ourselves.

David Siegel

Street address: 8805 Mountain Ridge Drive

Council District: District not found
Zoning and Platting Commissioners:

My name is David Whitworth and I live about a block from Austin Oaks with my wife and two children. I urge you to support the latest PUD submittal by Spire.

I am writing you as a neighbor with my personal thoughts although I am involved with NWACA as a board member and zoning chair. I simply point that out so you know I have followed this closely and actively for years now, although not as closely as some our hardest working neighbors: Ben Luckens & Joyce Statz.

It is well known now that this is the latest in a string of submittals by Spire since 2014 with their second consultant and after an intensive charrette process. The charrette process consisted of neighborhood stakeholders and the developer in the same room working out details in a public effort with design professionals that was presided over by a facilitator. The "Preferred Plan" that came out of the charrettes was supported by a majority vote of the participants. The latest submittal was vetted heavily for general compliance with the "Preferred Plan".

The NWACA zoning committee and the NWACA board both passed resolutions supporting the charrette process and stating that the latest submittal supports the results of the charrette process. Council Member Gallo has now come out in support of the latest submittal because it represents years of intensive work by the neighborhood association and developer working together to mold this project into the best possible product by mitigating height, traffic, drainage, impervious cover and increasing community benefit via parks, trails, retail, restaurants, and affordable housing for teachers. Note the impervious cover is actually decreasing.

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Best Regards,
David Whitworth
Dear ZAP Commissioners,

I am writing to express my support for the Austin Oaks PUD that you will be considering this evening.

I am an urban designer living and working in Austin without a vested interest in the development of this property. I attended the January charrette (Led by Farr Associates, a nationally-recognized urban design firm) as an observer and endeavor here and in all my advocacy to provide as objective a viewpoint as possible regarding the shape and needs of the city.

I see tremendous opportunity in this project to provide housing close to employment centers, bringing new residents and vibrancy into a site that currently houses only out-moded office buildings. Inherent in this is the increased opportunity for walking access from homes to services, which has been repeatedly proven to increase quality of life, human health and well-being, and economic opportunity for small businesses. Further, the support of walking lifestyles provides public safety benefits, particularly for children, as well as improved ability to age-in-place for residents no longer able to easily drive long distances for services.

Its position along Spicewood Springs Road and MoPac, with access to Far West Boulevard, makes the location ideal for increased population and jobs. The charrette's result of placing the tallest buildings near the highway is an effective way of mitigating the development's impacts on local residential areas. Further, the PUD tool's nearly singular ability (outside of VMU zoning) to put residential and commercial uses together at this scale has been shown to increase pedestrian and bicycle activity, which contributes to important mode-shift of average daily trips, as well as working to produce the density required to support a solvent public transit system.

Austin's PUD process is inelegant but it nevertheless represents the single greatest infill opportunity for the City to implement the priorities and goals of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, which already serves as a guide toward connected communities and sustainable growth. I urge you as public servants to study the priorities of the Comprehensive Plan and favorably review the manner in which this application and charrette process have the potential to advance them.

Very much yours,

Brendan Wittstruck
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Contact: Andrew Moore, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: September 6, 2016, Zoning and Platting Commission
October 13, 2016, City Council

Caroline Kell

3415 Greystone Dr 320

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: __________________________

Comments:

It will be nice to have a greater variety of businesses to shop local.

Close by.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin
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Andrew Moore
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
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Daniel LY
3424 Greystone DR. #102

Your Name (please print)

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone:

Comments:

I am in favor

I object

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Your Name (please print) Michael
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Signature
Date 8/29/16

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WE OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits.

The Austin Oaks PUD:
* is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
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* does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts, esp. Spicewood Springs & Greystone @ MoPac, setting a bad precedent for all along MoPac;
* cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, 37% of the surveyed trees on the property);
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* exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods. Do Not add back in the higher MSL building height figures.
* the proposal needs more residential to address Austin’s highest need and to lower auto trip counts, a new elementary in the area to be in the Nov. 2017 AISD Bond vote can handle it;

Council, Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.
Annie Compton and Greg Pierce
Street Address: 2600 Ellise Avenue
Council District: 7
Mr. Andrew Moore, Case Manager,

I wanted to take this opportunity to share once again how strongly I feel about opposing the Austin Oaks PUD. I have lived through our neighborhood's growing traffic and we will be so negatively impacted by this PUD in many ways. I do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of the life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. This is the consensus of 80% of the surrounding neighbors and 20% of commercial and residential property owners with 200 feet. As written, this does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts on Spicewood Springs and Greystone. I live directly off Spicewood Springs Road. The proposal cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, 37% of the surveyed trees on the property. A 20 year old tree survey is being used which is unrealistic to avoid accurately characterizing mature trees. The Austin Oaks PUD exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods. Please do not add back in the higher MSL building height figures. The proposal needs more residential to address Austin highest need and to lower auto trip counts, a new elementary in the area to be in the Nov. 2017 AISD Bond vote can handle it. PLEASE oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

THANK YOU!

Susan Covington

Street address: 3701 Timson Court

Council District: 10
Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). I live in Allandale near the Austin Oaks PUD, an area which will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We should not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:
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* and needs more residential buildings to address Austin's highest need and to lower auto trip counts.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Croom

Street address: 2502 Albata Ave., Austin 78757

Council District: 7
My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. I attended most days of the Charette, and it was a flawed and skewed process. If this PUD goes through as planned, traffic will be a disaster in the area and will have impacts on the whole of MoPac.

When you combine the extraordinary building heights for multiple buildings proposed along Mopac at Spicewood Springs, completely out of character for the residential area, along with a large apartment complex being built on Anderson Lane directly across Mopac from Spicewood Springs, the Anderson Lane intersection at MoPac will fail dramatically. The intersection with 360 at Spicewood Springs Road will also fail, and it has not been included in traffic studies.

In addition, we do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset minimal community benefits. The community benefit proposed is a small park and a restaurant or two - very little in comparison with the gridlock that will ensue, and the loss of the quiet residential character of the area.

The Austin Oaks PUD:
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Sincerely,

Leslie Currens

Austin, TX
From: apache@austintexas.gov
Reply-to: 
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
CC: 
Sent: 2/15/2017 8:26:59 P.M. Central Standard Time
Subj: Austin Oaks PUD Opposed

This message is from James & Pamela Robinson. 

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* cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, 37% of the surveyed trees on the property);
* makes use of a never before been done, unrealistic and unnecessary 20 year tree survey to avoid accurately characterizing mature trees;
* exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods. Do Not add back in the higher MSL building height figures.
Council, Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

Street address: 7800 Deer Ridge Cir

Council District: 10
I have lived in Austin for 53 years & on Green Trails for 27. PLEASE VOTE TO OPPOSE AUSTIN OAKS PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

The proposed Austin Oaks PUD:
* is opposed by over 80% of the wider surrounding neighbors;
* has a valid petition on it opposed by commercial and residential property owners within 200’;
* does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts from 19,600 trips per day over the present 4,080 trips, the TIA needs to be updated with all proposed Retail uses;
* cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, 37% of the surveyed trees on the property);
* makes use of a never before been done, unrealistic and unnecessary 20 year tree survey to avoid accurately characterizing mature trees;
* the proposal needs MORE residential and 10% affordable housing to address Austin's highest need, expected AISD Nov. 2017 Bond with funds for a new school in the area should enable this;
* exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods. Do Not add back in the higher MSL building height figures.

PLEASE HELP SAVE MY NEIGHBORHOOD! I thought this would be our forever home but if this PUD is approved the traffic alone will clog our streets and ruin Green Trails as everyone will use it as a cut-thru path to the PUD. It can be redeveloped under existing zoning, which will still impact our area but significantly less than the PUD. The current development has had stagnant traffic over the past 27 years; it generates no traffic after 6pm and none of the weekends either. The PUD will generate excessive traffic 24/7 & will cause us to move from the home where we raised our 2 boys and from my childhood city. Please save our neighborhood - the PUD doesn't belong here!

Please have this posted to back-up for this case (C814-2014-0120).

Thank you,
Diane Newberry
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120)
I live at Hidden Hollow and Hart Lane. My driveway exits onto Hart Lane. The traffic is already horrendous. Think what it will be with the increased percentages. I will be sitting in my driveway forever.
Thank you.

Mary Alice Kerr, 3700 Hidden Hollow
Dear Council Members,

The Austin Oaks PUD would negatively impact my neighborhood. I have continued to follow changes to the Austin Oaks PUD and have yet to see a benefit from more intense zoning requested by the developer. There are heritage oak trees that would be removed (and even that is based on 20-year-old tree surveys). The site is in an already overburdened roadway system, so more density would heightened the neighborhood's traffic concerns. The proposed development does not adequately mitigate the increase in traffic and is dumping traffic on dangerous access roads and just upstream from the new MoPac tollway entrance near Far West/2222.

It is opposed by more than 80 percent of surrounding residents.

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you.

Kim Cook
4209 Greystone Drive
Austin, TX 78731
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). My neighborhood will have a severe negative impact with a dramatic increase in traffic. Thank you. A. Kugler
Street Address: 4815 Spicewood Springs Rd.
Council District: 10
Suzanne C. Pfeiffer

From: Suzanne Cantarino Pfeiffer [mailto:apache@austintexas.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 10:40 AM
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov; ora.houston@austintexas.gov; district2@austintexas.gov; sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov; gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov; district5@austintexas.gov; district6@austintexas.gov; district7@austintexas.gov; district8@austintexas.gov; kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov; district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

This message is from Suzanne Cantarino Pfeiffer. [redacted]

My Northwest Hills neighborhood will be VERY NEGATIVELY impacted by this development. I grew up in NWH and now as an adult live on Mesa. The increase in traffic over the last 15 years can not sustain such a large development. The schools are so overcrowded and the amount of cars winding through Mesa, Far West, Greystone, Steck and Spicewood is depressing and ruining the ability for families to walk or ride bikes at all. There are no speed bumps anywhere and people fly by as they cut through the neighborhood to get to 2222, MoPac, 183 or 360. Please examine the effect of so much traffic FIRST and what it will do to our Doss, Murchison and Anderson schools. They have been teaching out of overflow trailers for YEARS.
Come on people!!!

This development does not address nor care about what so many additional residential units, bodies and cars will do to this area.

I know this developer well and I know that they do not care-they want to build, lease up and then sell to move on to their next project.

We live here, and we love it here.

Street address: 6606 Mesa Drive AUsin tx 78731

Council District: 10
On Wednesday, February 15, 2017 1:10 PM, Christina Rubin <apache@austintexas.gov> wrote:

This message is from Christina Rubin. [Redacted]
I am asking that all Council members oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). I have lived in my neighborhood since 1979 and strongly advocate responsible growth and development. This PUD would negatively impact our community in my opinion. Thank you.
Street address: 8011 Cardin Dr
Council District: 10
Dear Mr. Moore,

I am forwarding you my correspondence sent to Council members on the Austin Oaks Pud case.

Sincerely,
Dianna Watkins

On Monday, February 13, 2017 7:17 PM, Dianna Watkins <apache@austintexas.gov> wrote:

This message is from Dianna Watkins. [ ]

Dear Austin Council Member,

I am writing to express my opposition to the Austin Oaks PUD. I believe that the passage of this case will have a negative impact on the quality of life in my neighborhood. The traffic where this project is to be developed is horrendous. It is frustrating to have get through the Spicewood Springs/MoPac intersection at noon time. I am also concerned about the height of buildings requested by the developer. Any height above the current zoning for the property is destructive to the value of adjacent residents home.

I have written numerous letters regarding this issue and I hoping that this will be the end of this Austin Oaks PUD nightmare. Please vote against the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter. Please include this correspondence to backup on this case.

Sincerely,
Dianna L Watkins
Street address: 3621 Claburn Dr
Council District: 10
Hi. I’m writing to follow up on an e-mail I just sent to all Council members re: the proposed AO PUD to see if you could post to back-up on the case. Here’s the email. Let me know. Thanks! -chris

Here is your message:

Your Name: Chris Wlezien
Your e-mail address: [redacted]
Subject: Austin Oaks PUD
Message: Dear Members of Council,

I live in NW Austin and am a member of NWACA and NWAN. I have been on the Austin Oaks charrette working group since it was established in 2015, and took an active part in every facet of the charrette planning and organization, and participated in each day of the charrette. I have written on numerous occasions in the past and have taken part in ZAP and council meetings, and am writing today to reiterate that the proposed PUD does not reflect the “will of the people” or “what the neighborhood wants” or represent a “compromise solution.” The numerous polls on the subject are clear, including NWACA’s most recent survey, and the specific proposal is before you only because of a vote taken during the charrette, a vote that has no standing. The vote was not scheduled in advance. It was not announced. We were unaware of the options. There of course was not a campaign. I and many others on the working group did not know that there would be such a vote, though some did appear to know in advance. Some people who did not attend on previous nights did show, and many who attended on previous nights did not. It just was not a general election or even close.

That’s the basic problem with the vote. There also is a problem with the proposal itself. The charrette process actually worked well from its beginning on Monday morning through that Wednesday night, as the first steps reflected the input from the various workshops we conducted in advance, and the plans on Tuesday and Wednesday nights reflected the preferences of charrette participants on previous days. We were building a consensus. On Wednesday night, as planned by the charrette organizers, we considered two options and then took various votes that were supposed to guide the final plan to be presented on Thursday night. That’s when the process went off the rails. On Thursday of the charrette we were presented with a plan that ignored votes from the night before, the most important of which was our support for increasing from 3 to 4 stories along Spicewood Springs and from 5 to 6 along MOPAC. This was a difficult decision for the neighborhood to take, as we were exceeding current zoning and so, yes, we were supporting a PUD, but these were our upper bounds. We arrived on Thursday to see that our vote was not heeded, and were facing 5 stories along Spicewood and 7 along MOPAC. This is a substantial increase over current zoning and would further impact traffic and schools in the neighborhood and set a powerful precedent for more office development in the surrounding area, up and down MOPAC, and around the city. Then we had the questionable vote between a mock-up of code compliant and the proposed PUD.

The problem with the vote was raised that Thursday. The issue also was raised the next morning at the public unveiling. It was raised yet again to the full working group via e-mail. All attempts were ignored by the charrette organizers as well as the developers and their Austin representatives, and they proceeded to implement their plan. The problem that was there at the beginning thus still remains. It’s not all irrelevant ancient history, as some have claimed.

We have done all that we can do and it is now up to Council. I am asking you to ignore the vote taken during the charrette on the final night, just as they ignored votes from the night before. This means rejecting the proposed PUD. A good alternative plan would be what we voted for on Wednesday
night of the charrette: no more than 4 stories on Spicewood, no more than 6 stories on MOPAC, and square footage of 1.0 million (or so) square feet, not the 1.2 million in the proposed PUD. To do otherwise is to send the signal that the process doesn’t matter and the public doesn’t either. This would be distressing to me and other members of the neighborhood, and many other Austin voters too. You can make things right, however, and I very much hope you do.

Thank you for your attention and consideration, and see you on Thursday the 16th.

Christopher Wlezien
5921 Mount Bonnell Road
Austin, Texas 78731

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov, City of Austin Case Manager; please post my email to back-up on this case.

- Street Address: 5921 Mount Bonnell Road
  Council District: 10
The quality of life and uniquely Austin community will be negatively impacted if the proposed Austin Oaks PUD is approved.

I've lived in the neighborhood since 2000 and this development has the area highly concerned about the development ..... beyond any other measure this one issue is of concern to nearly all neighbors. With the signs in yards, attendance at Charette sessions last year and on-going neighborhood meetings the PUD is opposed by most residents and I've heard of a petition that it's also opposed by most commercial interests other than the developer/others who will gain direct economic benefit.

The loss of trees, the added traffic and the game-playing by the developer to mask true impacts by oddities like the use of Mean Sea Level (MSL) all are major concerns. The seeming singular benefit is a small park and very minimal "affordable housing".

My ask is that as representatives of the community and our interests as individuals, please do not support this PUD and oppose requests for anything beyond what is currently in the standard city code for landowners to develop the property.

Thank you!
Dave Angelow
7508 Downridge Dr
Austin, Tx 78731

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c: 512 633 1500
More at LinkedIn Dave Angelow
Please see my letter to city council below. I oppose the Austin Oaks PUD.

Please post my letter to back-up on this case.

----- Forwarded Message -----  
From: Sarah Baker <apache@austintexas.gov>  
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov; ora.houston@austintexas.gov; district2@austintexas.gov; sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov; gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov; district5@austintexas.gov; district6@austintexas.gov; district7@austintexas.gov; district8@austintexas.gov; kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov; district10@austintexas.gov  
Cc:   
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2017 3:40 PM  
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

This message is from Sarah Baker. 

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

I live less than 1/2 a mile from the development.

I do not believe our beautiful neighborhood will ever be the same if the PUD is approved. I am not okay with cutting down the number trees proposed.

Additionally, the traffic consequences will be unbearable to those of us who live in this neighborhood. Don't try to make our neighborhood like downtown.

Please listen to the neighborhood as a whole, not just the few in "power" who run NWACA. NWACA does not represent me or my opinion at all.

I do NOT support the Austin Oaks PUD. Please post my letter to back-up on this case.

Thank you,
Sarah Baker
Street address: 3804 N GREEN TRAILS, AUSTIN, TX, 78731
Council District: 10
Mr. Moore,

I have sent the following to all members of the Austin City Council. I am copying you as well for inclusion in the case file.

Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am tired of seeing existing established neighborhoods serving as the punching bags in new high density development such as the Grove PUD and the Austin Oaks PUD. My home and my neighborhood will be badly compromised by the terms of the present form of the Austin Oaks PUD which will do much to clog our local streets, burden our presently overcrowded (by over 50%) schools, and make a mockery of height and area restrictions which govern such developments.

Please note that the Austin Oaks PUD:
• is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
• does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts, setting a bad precedent for all along MoPac;
• cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, 37% of the surveyed trees on the property);
• exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods.

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you,
Alan Barr, Architect
7706 Stoneywood Drive
Austin, Tx  78731
Message was sent to each city council person. I am in district 10.

More detailed:
"My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:

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exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhood properties in the extreme;
and again is asking for conflicting height measures to be included in the ordinance...
Do NOT allow this applicant to add back in the higher Mean Sea Level (MSL) standard that was already negotiated OUT of the deal.

"In short, Council, please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you."

Barry C. Curlee
4121 Mek Dr.
Austin, TX 78731
c 512-560-0800 h512-346-0511
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD. A large majority in my neighborhood want to stop it completely, not just get a few so-called "improvements" in the proposed project, like those NWACA proposes. The damage to our quality of life, especially from increased traffic, will be huge. Again, please oppose it.

Stephen Beyers
4021 Far West Blvd
Hi Andrew,

Wanted to forward the email below.

Thanks,

Barry Broeckelmann
M: (512)589-8454

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Barry Broeckelmann" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: February 7, 2017 at 6:01:29 PM MST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: 
Subject: Oppose Austin Oaks PUD
Reply-To: 

This message is from Barry Broeckelmann. [ ]

Dear Austin City Council,

I live within 200 yards of Austin Oaks on Green Trails. My wife and I have two school age children and I'm very concerned about traffic increasing in front of my house due to navigational apps directing people through our quiet neighborhood increasing risk to kids playing and pedestrians. I'm also a cyclist and ride on Hart Lane and Woodhollow frequently.

My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits.

The Austin Oaks PUD:
* is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents
* is opposed by > 20% of commercial and residential property owners within 200'
* the proposal needs more residential and affordable housing to address Austin's highest need, consider VMU instead
* does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts, setting a bad precedent for all along MoPac
* cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees)
* exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods. Do Not add back in the higher MSL building height figures.

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).
Thank you.

Barry Broeckelmann

Street address: 3703 N GREEN TRAILS, AUSTIN, TX, 78731

Council District: 10
OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:
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Council,
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you,
Evelyn Carlisle
I live one-half mile west of the Austin Oaks office park; the PUD (Case C814-2014-0120), as currently proposed, will have a significant negative impact on those of us who live in the surrounding neighborhood.

The primary impact will come from the quadrupling of the already heavy traffic on Spicewood Springs and other area roadways. At present, it can sometimes take three traffic light cycles to get across MoPac from Spicewood Springs to Anderson; how much longer will it take when there are four times as many cars trying to do that?

I attended the entire charrette in January 2016 and found the proposed traffic mitigation solutions – and the developer’s funding offer – sadly inadequate.

Excessive building height is another major issue. Buildings higher than five stories are incompatible with the surrounding area and with existing development along this section of MoPac. The developer’s use of height above mean sea level measurements also clouds the issue, making it difficult to determine the actual height of the proposed buildings. Limiting building height to a maximum of five stories will also reduce the density of the development and reduce, at least partially, the increase in road traffic.

I urge you to protect the quality of life for this long-established, primarily residential neighborhood. There are alternative rezoning options, such as a VMU, that should be considered. Please vote against the proposed Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

Kathryn Cramer
3700 Orrell Court, Austin TX 78731
Please post this message to the "back-up" on this case.
Thank you.

Message:

I live just down the street from Austin Oaks. My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:
* is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
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Council,
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you,

Don Parsons, Sr.
3706 Greystone Dr.
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Council,
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.”

THANK YOU!

Jody Emerson

Sent from my iPhone
Please post my letter to back up this case.

-------- Forwarded message --------
From: Lynn Eno <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: Sat, Feb 11, 2017 at 3:34 PM
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: [Redacted]

This message is from Lynn Eno. [Redacted]

Dear Austin City Council Members,

My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by the Austin Oaks PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:

is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
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In short, Council, please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Please post my letter to back up this case.

Thank you. Lynn Eno

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov City of Austin Case Manager
Street address: 8709 WESTOVER CLUB DR, AUSTIN, TX, 78759
Council District: 10
Andrew - I am cc you here the message I sent to all council members to oppose the Austin Oaks PUD.
Thank you

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Greg Fitzgerald" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Please Oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120)
Date: February 11, 2017 at 9:33:07 PM CST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov,
district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov,
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district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov,
district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.toyo@austintexas.gov,
district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: [redacted]

This message is from Greg Fitzgerald. [redacted]

My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept the trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD is unnecessary. Over 80% of the surrounding residents oppose it. Over 20% of the immediate businesses oppose it. It does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impact - Especially where I live - Greystone/Heart...

Overall the entire Northwest Hills Austin residents have been working with the developer in good faith. However, nothing has been given from the other side that is meaningful. Thus, we MUST NOT allow this PUD to be accepted. In its very nature a PUD is supposed to be extraordinary improvement. This PUD does not fit that requirement and should not set a precedent for the city.

Thank you - Greg Fitzgerald

Street address: 3708 Greystone drive

Council District: 10
Dear City Council Member,

I am writing to oppose the development of the Austin Oaks tract (Case C814-2014-0120). I have lived in the immediate neighborhood for 24 years and this gross intrusion of commercial development is ridiculous. I have not met a neighbor who is actually in favor of the development. It brings in so much traffic we will be greatly encumbered during our travels. It is way too tall, grossly out of place in our residential neighborhood. It cuts down too many of our wonderful mature trees.

Please do NOT allow the applicant to add back in the higher Mean Sea Level standard that was already negotiated out of the deal.

I ask you to please oppose the development. We don’t want tradeoffs that diminish our neighborhood quality of life. Period. There is plenty of other commercially zoned land available – we don’t need more built adjacent to residential areas.

Please post my letter to back-up on this case.

Thank you for opposing the development.

Sincerely,

David B Goldstein

7700 Chimney Corners Dr.

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov

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David B. Goldstein
Hayden Head Centennial Professor of Engineering
Graduate Adviser
Director, Computational Flow Physics Laboratory
Department of Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Mechanics
The University of Texas at Austin
210 E. 24th St., Stop C0600
Austin, TX 78712
Tel. (512) 471-4187
Fax (512) 471-3788
Below is the wording of a message sent by Jean and Gary Hamrick to the Austin City Council on 2/11/17.

Jean Hamrick

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Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank You.

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov City of Austin Case Manager

Post my letter to back-up on this case.
Dear Council Members and Mayor Adler,

* PLEASE INCLUDE THIS LETTER in THE CASE BACKUP

* After three and a half years of trying every trick in the book to dupe the neighborhood, coerce council commissioners and "game" the city's zoning process, this developer and their agent have failed to wear us down or kill our spirit.

* It would be a very sad day if the SPIRIT of AUSTIN were to be eroded or killed by such developer antics.

* You, as our elected representative, embody this Austin SPIRIT and I pray you ALL find it in yourselves to take the long term view that this PUD and others are NOT good for Austin. VOTE NO on this PUD.

* The residential in this is not enough to meet the city’s growing needs! Nor can it be enforced in the build out, as the developer says they are going to sell off parcels to sub developers. New owners will further complicate this mess.

* VMU would give us more residential in a REQUIRED capacity of the zoning.

* PUD will only bring more STRs which will be snapped up by the real estate hawks before any local person in need will be able to get their banking paperwork together for a loan.

* Whatever construction jobs they're promising you will be short lived and hourly.

* The traffic this BEHEMOTH will throw off is going to start the series of traffic log jams down MOPAC from which you as leaders will never be able to overcome and taxpayers cannot afford to "resolve".

* The park they're proposing, while nice, is just the impervious area aggregated into one spot on the top of a busy traffic street.

* The "creek" park they propose is BS.

* The owner could clean that thing up NOW but has manufactured it into a bargaining chip that is phony.

* Please, I ask all of you, TO VOTE NO on this PUD.

* Lets be smart and offer them VMU. Don't make them reapply and suffer more expense.

* This would be true compromise where both parties are actually giving in and giving something up with a VMU designation.

* For the city to (passively) force PUD zoning as the outcome vis a vis the charrette “negotiation” process (a charrette bought and paid for by the developer and real estate interests) or “recommended” mediation is to railroad us to a predetermined outcome for the applicant.

* And frankly, all this bluster and “political process” is wasting everyone’s time and creates a cottage industry for real estate lawyers to further create animosity and dissent among your constituents city wide and rip off developers with exorbitant legal fees.

* In our current scenario on this PUD this is a lose lose lose for Austin and win win win for out of owners and local lawyers.

* I do not believe, based on the comments from many of you, that this is the legacy you as a council collectively or individually as councilmembers or mayor want to be known and remembered for in our city’s history.

* Let's work smarter in Austin. Anderson-Spicewood-Mopac interchange cannot withstand this traffic, bottom line.

* VOTE NO on this PUD.

* RECOMMEND VMU and get some affordable housing built and keep the STR real estate speculators out of it this affordable housing!

* Thank you for your service and for listening to us.

* We need you to look out for us and vote to preserve Austin neighborhood by neighborhood..not just spread out the awful development across the districts.

* Regards and Let’s keep Austin AWESOME!

— Madelon Highsmith

* Street Address: 7104 west rim drive, austin, tx 78731, DISTRICT 10
Andrew Moore,
Message: "My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:
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Council, Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).
Thank you,
SJ
Please see below for my request to City Council to oppose Austin Oaks PUD.

Stacey Gould

----- Forwarded Message ----- 
From: Stacey Gould <apache@austintexas.gov>  
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov; ora.houston@austintexas.gov; district2@austintexas.gov; sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov; gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov; district5@austintexas.gov; district6@austintexas.gov; district7@austintexas.gov; district8@austintexas.gov; kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov; district10@austintexas.gov  
Cc:  
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 2:51 PM  
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

This message is from Stacey Gould. [ ]  
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case814-2014-0120). Drivers currently have to sit through the light at MoPac three times, the plan does not adequately mitigate traffic impacts due to increased use.

The Charette process that has been used to indicate that residents support the PUD was held during the day, over a several day period. It was not feasible or realistic to expect me and other residents to take off work for multiple days to participate. The PUD development as submitted does not appear to reflect the documents I read that summarized the charrette process discussions, several of which focused on limiting building height.

The medical buildings on Balcones are directly behind my house. I do not want the City to set a precedent for building heights like the ones proposed in the PUD adjacent to neighborhoods. Please oppose the PUD.

Thank you,

Stacey Gould  
Street address: 5705 Trailridge Drive  
Council District: 10
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "April Justice" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: February 13, 2017 at 11:23:50 AM CST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: 
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD
Reply-To:

This message is from April Justice. [ 

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In short, Council, please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov City of Austin Case Manager
Post my letter to back-up on this case
Street address: 6209 Highland Hills Dr
Council District: District not found
Dear Mr. Moore,

I am writing to ask that you please post the letter that I sent to the Mayor and Council Members concerning the Austin Oaks PUD to back-up for the case.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

All the best, Jonathan Kaplan

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Jonathan Kaplan" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Austin Oaks PUD - Letter of Support
Date: February 12, 2017 at 9:36:04 PM CST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc:  

This message is from Jonathan Kaplan. [Redacted]

Dear Mayor Adler and Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Austin Oaks Planned Urban Development (PUD).

As a resident of Northwest Hills, I have been actively involved in the Austin Oaks PUD process since the first public meetings. At the first community forum held on August 19, 2014, I was one of the first speakers to stand and raise serious concerns about the traffic impact of the proposed PUD. At the time, I was in the midst of recovering from being hit by a car that came up on a sidewalk while I was walking near my home on Far West Blvd. I did not want increased traffic in my neighborhood or the attendant risks that it posed for pedestrians as well as the many children who walk and bike to our local schools every day, including my two daughters.

I continued my opposition to the Austin Oaks PUD until Spire Reality agreed to participate in the charrette process organized by the Northwest Austin Civic Association. I attended as many sessions of the charrette process as possible. By the end of the charrette, I moved from opposing the PUD to supporting the
preferred plan, which was developed during the course of the charrette.

The proposal that was passed on first reading on December 15, 2017 is, I believe, the best possible way to address the increased traffic that the area will face as this site is redeveloped. It includes important traffic mitigation including the reconfiguration of the intersection of Hart and Spicewood Springs. The proposed development also spreads traffic throughout the day by redeveloping it as a mixed-use development. As you know, if it were simply redeveloped according to current code, all of the additional traffic would be concentrated during morning and evening rush hour.

I believe that the plan proposed by Spire Reality is in keeping with the results of the charrette and represents the best direction for the property and my neighborhood. Among the many positives of the plan, it will significantly enhance my neighborhood through increased park space and restoration of the creek that runs through the property.

I encourage you to cast your vote in support of the proposal before you.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Kaplan

Street address: 4102 Far West Blvd

Council District: 10
Andrew,

Please ensure that this correspondence is made part of the backup for the Austin oaks case.

Thank you.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Vallarie Sinclair" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: February 6, 2017 at 4:16:46 PM CST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: 
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD
Reply-To: 

This message is from Vallarie Sinclair. [ ]

Council Members -
Having attended a number of City meetings regarding Austin Oaks, and having spoken to you during the December City Council meeting, I know that you are all aware of the issues around this development. While the neighborhood is generally (but not overwhelmingly) in support of redevelopment of the site, they are OVERWHELMINGLY opposed to redevelopment as a PUD. There is simply zero benefit or superiority connected to the developer's current land use plan. Housing is MINIMAL. Traffic and height are exceptional and completely out of character and context. Additionally, allowing height over 60 feet along the MoPac corridor opens up a dangerous precedent. This is just a glorified office park, with just enough housing and mixed use to try to appease the Council. If they are going to redevelop, they should be required to do so in a manner that is ACTUALLY superior and provides REAL benefit to the area. VMU is the best option for this location. VMU zoning provides the mixed-use benefits and increased housing that Council is seeking. VMU zoning and increased residential helps reduce traffic, lessens impact on trees, allows for better use of open space on the site, makes the area more of a neighborhood center and still allows the developer the opportunity to create Class A leasing space without having to build skyscrapers looming over the neighborhoods surrounding this development.

Because these developments impact (generally adversely) more than just their physical footprint, I ask that Council engage TxDOT, Travis County and AISD in examining the options for this development and the real world impacts tied to it.

My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:
* is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
* is opposed by > 40% of the property owners within 200';
* is deficient in housing (especially affordable, family-friendly units);
* does not adequately mitigate traffic impacts;
* kills too many trees (283 heritage and protected trees);
* exceeds 5-story building heights adjacent to neighborhoods along MoPac.
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you,
Vallarie and Ken Sinclair

Street address: 7901 Ceberry Dr

Council District: 10
I live one-half mile west of the Austin Oaks office park; the PUD (Case C814-2014-0120), as currently proposed, will have a significant negative impact on those of us who live in the surrounding neighborhood.

The primary impact will come from the quadrupling of the already heavy traffic on Spicewood Springs and other area roadways. At present, it can sometimes take three traffic light cycles to get across MoPac from Spicewood Springs to Anderson; how much longer will it take when there are four times as many cars trying to do that?

I attended the entire charrette in January 2016 and found the proposed traffic mitigation solutions – and the developer’s funding offer – sadly inadequate.

Excessive building height is another major issue. Buildings higher than five stories are incompatible with the surrounding area and with existing development along this section of MoPac. The developer’s use of height above mean sea level measurements also clouds the issue, making it difficult to determine the actual height of the proposed buildings. Limiting building height to a maximum of five stories will also reduce the density of the development and reduce, at least partially, the increase in road traffic.

I urge you to protect the quality of life for this long-established, primarily residential neighborhood. There are alternative rezoning options, such as a VMU, that should be considered. Please vote against the proposed Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

Kathryn Cramer
3700 Orrell Court, Austin TX 78731

Kathryn Cramer
512-909-8248
Post my letter to back-up on this case

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- Do NOT allow this applicant to add back in the higher Mean Sea Level (MSL) standard that was already negotiated OUT of the deal.

In short, Council, please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you.

Larry Lay
4603 Cat Mountain Dr
Austin TX 78731
Mr. Moore,
Please include this letter in the back up materials of this case.
Thank you.
Tela

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Tela Mange <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: Sat, Feb 11, 2017 at 10:53 AM
Subject: Please OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.toyo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: This message is from Tela Mange. [ ]

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Thank you for reading this email regarding the Austin Oaks PUD. Please include my email in the back-up materials.

First off, I was disturbed to hear that more than two years of neighborhood comment on the Austin Oaks PUD zoning case was removed by staff from the record. Is this allowed under the Open Records Act? What is the City policy regarding records retention during open, active cases? Removing the letters -- the vast majority negative, I would be willing to guess -- does not make the neighborhood objections disappear.

The Austin City Council should reject the Austin Oaks PUD application as it is not superior -- as required by law -- because it requests several variances to the PUD ordinance.

Plus, the Austin Oaks PUD:
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* exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods.

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

Thank you for your consideration.
Tela Mange
7104 Spurlock Dr.
Austin TX 78731

Street address: 7104 Spurlock Drive

Council District: 10
My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. My family has lived here since 1982 and we have seen changes to the north and west of us along Research and 360. What once were beautiful greenbelts are now office and retail buildings. I wish that my children may still be able to experience a little of the Austin I grew up with.

I do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:

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In short, Council, please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

Jennifer Matyear

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov City of Austin Case Manager

Post my letter to back-up on this case
Please post as back up on case C814-2014-0120

From: "April McCormack" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: February 12, 2017 9:24:49 AM CST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov,
district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov,
gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov,
district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov,
district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.toyo@austintexas.gov,
district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: 
Subject: Oppose Austin Oaks PUD
Reply-To: 

This message is from April McCormack. [ ]

I am writing to voice my concern regarding the Austin Oaks PUD. I feel this will negatively impact my neighborhood in multiple ways and I do not accept the trade offs that diminish our quality of life.
My primary concerns are school and traffic. The schools are already bursting and do not have capacity - and while this housing is seen as being for elderly and low income, we know that families will move in based on the neighborhood and high quality schools.
In addition, traffic is already high and this plan does not mitigate traffic impacts. Mopac, Spicewood Springs and Mesa will all be impacted and all feed into our neighborhood.
I am also concerned with setting a precedent for other developments with building heights and cutting down heritage and protected trees.
There needs to be a new elementary school and more residential.
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD Case C814-2014-0120.

Thank you and please reach out if you would like to discuss further or need any further details from me.

April McCormack

Street address: 4201 Far West Blvd

Council District: 10
Please post my letter to back-up on this case. Thanks very much.

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From: Patricia Meador <apache@austintexas.gov>  
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov; ora.houston@austintexas.gov; district2@austintexas.gov; sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov; gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov; district5@austintexas.gov; district6@austintexas.gov; district7@austintexas.gov; district8@austintexas.gov; kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov; district10@austintexas.gov  
Cc:  
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 1:40 PM  
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD  

This message is from Patricia Meador. [**************************]  
Honorable Mayor and Council Members of the City of Austin  

Please DO NOT allow Austin Oaks to INCREASE the density of what is one of Austin's finest, most diverse, and already densely populated neighborhoods. NW Hills was itself designed as a PUD, but our infrastructure has not kept up with EXISTING demand. We need better arterial roads, feeder schools, and traffic patterns within and bordering NW Hills, NOT more density and the traffic it brings. I think there are better places in Austin to encourage this kind of growth. Please vote against the Austin Oaks PUD.  

Thanks very much for your consideration,  

Patricia Meador  
Street address: 4310 Far West Blvd  
Council District: 10
To: Mayor Adler and Members of the Austin City Council  

From: The North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association  

Subject: Upcoming Vote on the Austin Oaks PUD  

The North Shoal Creek Neighborhood will be negatively impacted by the Austin Oaks PUD. Any benefits Austin may receive from the PUD will be offset by far by its negative impacts, especially in terms of increased traffic in our neighborhood. We are particularly disturbed that, despite long and intense negotiations, nothing will be done to mitigate the PUD’s traffic effects east of Mo-Pac, especially on Anderson Lane and Steck Avenue.  

Our membership has voted to oppose the Austin Oaks PUD as has our Board of Directors. We participated in a poll of our area which showed three out of four residents opposed to it. The North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association continues to oppose the Austin Oaks PUD for the following reasons:  

• it does not adequately mitigate traffic impacts east of Mo-Pac  
• it removes too many trees (283 at last count)  
• it establishes a precedent for 5-story buildings adjacent to neighborhoods along Mo-Pac  
• it provides too few housing units, especially affordable and family-friendly ones  

Please vote NO to the Austin Oaks PUD when it comes before you on February 16th.  

Thank you.  

Amelia Cobb, President  
North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association
Begin forwarded message:

From: "Patricia A Orlosky" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD
Date: February 12, 2017 at 11:04:21 AM CST
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov,
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district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.toyo@austintexas.gov,
district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: [redacted]
Reply-To: [redacted]

This message is from Patricia A Orlosky. [redacted]

My husband and I are strongly opposed to the Austin Oaks PUD, as are all of the neighbors that we have talked to.

We don’t approve of the increase in traffic without extensive mitigation.

We don’t approve of the change in the quality and character of the neighborhood
- tall buildings in midst of lower profile neighborhood
- cutting mature trees
We don’t approve of changed zoning codes that
- change the "etirules" for established residents and businesses
- allow greater latitude for future changes not in the immediate plan.

We don’t believe that this is the only way Austin can grow.

PLEASE oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

P.A. Orlosky

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov City of Austin Case Manager

Post my letter to back-up on this case

Street address: 6301 HUNTCLIFF DR, AUSTIN, TX, 78731
Council District: 10
Dear Mr. Moore:
Please post my letter to back-up on this case.
Thank you,
Bob Peterson

From: Bob Peterson [mailto:apache@austintexas.gov]
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2017 9:05 AM
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov; ora.houston@austintexas.gov; district2@austintexas.gov; sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov; gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov; district5@austintexas.gov; district6@austintexas.gov; district7@austintexas.gov; district8@austintexas.gov; kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov; district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120).

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov City of Austin Case Manager
Please post my letter to back-up on this case.
Thank you,
Bob Peterson

Street address: 3910 Greenmountain Lane
Council District: 10

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The Summerwood Homeowners Association requests that the City of Austin deny the current Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning application.

We also request that this letter be included in the Zoning and Platting Commission back-up materials.

Sincerely,

Julie Rawlings  
President,  
Summerwood Homeowners Association

Sent from Mail for Windows 10
Dear Mr. Moore:

Below is a copy of the email I just sent to the Austin City Council and Mayor Steve Adler. If we had received a chance to sign the petition to oppose the Austin Oaks PUD request, my husband and I would have signed it. That said, here are some of our reasons for opposing this development.

Your Name: Beverly & Richard Roland
Your e-mail address: BeverlyRoland123@gmail.com
Subject: OPPOSE Austin Oaks PUD

Re: Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

My neighborhood and family will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to build on a vacant piece of property.

Here are some very important facts to consider:

The Austin Oaks PUD:
1) Is opposed by more than 80% of the surrounding residents;
2) Is opposed by more than 20% of commercial and residential property owners within 200 ft;
3) Does not come close to adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts, especially on Spicewood Springs and Greystone at MoPac;
4) Sets a bad precedent for all along the key MoPac transit corridor, a major road to downtown Austin from the North and West, that is already a "parking lot" at rush hours;
5) Cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, which is 37% of the surveyed trees on the property);
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8) Again is asking for conflicting height measures to be included in the ordinance.

Do NOT allow this applicant to add back in the higher Mean Sea Level (MSL) standard that WAS ALREADY NEGOTIATED OUT of the deal. The applicant says things that aren’t true and makes promises that he has no intention to keeping. He is a master of manipulating people so beware! For example, the developer would pay $628,000 of the $2,015,000 worth of improvements that the developer said were needed! That is only about 31% of the total cost meaning the taxpayers would have to pay the rest! That is NOT what the deceptive phone survey we got indicated It indicated that they would pay it all!

Respectfully to the Council and Mayor, in short, please, please OPPOSE the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

Beverly & Richard Roland

cc: Andrew.Moore@austintexas.gov
City of Austin Case Manager

Street Address: 7600 Almond Cove, Austin, TX 78750
District 10
Beverly Roland
512-343-7988
Dear Sir:
Please Post my letter to Council and Mayor to the Council back up for the Austin Oaks PUD case.
Thank you.
Wade Shaw, 4310 Far West Blvd, District 10 78731

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Honorable Mayor Council Members of the City of Austin

I have lived at 4310 Far West Blvd for 23 years, and have followed with great interest the Austin Oaks PUD application in Northwest Hills from its inception.

Please DO NOT allow Austin Oaks to INCREASE the density of what is one of Austin's finest, most diverse, and densely populated neighborhoods which was itself designed as a PUD. Our infrastructure is over capacity now. Not without trying, our City has done absolutely nothing to materially enhance the infrastructure of arterial roads, feeder schools, and traffic patterns within, or bordering NW Hills.

There are better places to increase City density. For example, I have seen predictions that the real property at Austin State School and Austin State Hospital will eventually be opened for real estate development by our Legislature, just like the TXDOT property at the Grove. UT Austin could also lease the old MCC property for development at any time, as it has done with the Shops at Arbor Walk and would like to do with Lions {Muni} Golf Course.

Please be patient, Austin density will increase, but we need it to increase where the City can afford to provide adequate service, or we will not continue to attract growth.

Thank you for your attention,

Wade Shaw

Street address: 4310 Far West Blvd

Council District: 10
Please add this email to the backup on the Austin Oaks case:

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Council, Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.

Melissa
While I co-own an office at 4131 Spicewood Springs Rd. I am not in favor on the Austin Oaks PUD.

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* is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
* is opposed by > 20% of commercial and residential property owners within 200';
* the proposal needs more residential and affordable housing to address Austin’s highest need, consider VMU instead;
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* exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhoods. Do Not add back in the higher MSL building height figures.

Council,
Please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you.”

Joe Sherfy
Austin, Tx

512-338-4530 Fax 512-794-9114
Hi Andrew,

Please see my opposition to the development in my neighbor. This email has been sent to the Steve Adler and the council members. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Thank you for your time and service.

Best regards,
Karen Whitehead
512.422.5413

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: KAREN WHITEHEAD <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: Sun, Feb 12, 2017 at 5:45 PM
Subject: OPPOSE THE PUD
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, district6@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: This message is from KAREN WHITEHEAD. [ ]

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My neighborhood will be negatively impacted by this PUD. We do not accept trade-offs that diminish our quality of life merely to offset perfunctory community benefits. The Austin Oaks PUD:
- is opposed by > 80% of the surrounding residents;
- is opposed by > 20% of commercial and residential property owners within 200 ft;
- does not adequately mitigate dramatic traffic impacts, esp. Spicewood Springs & Greystone @ MoPac, setting a bad precedent for all along the key MoPac transit corridor a lifeline to downtown Austin from the North and West;
- cuts down too many mature trees (283 Heritage, Protected and Regulated trees, 37% of the surveyed trees on the property);
- extends the current tree survey to 20 years -- a never before seen, unrealistic and unnecessary extension of a survey done in 2013 to avoid accurately characterizing mature trees. Five years is the standard;
- exceeds compatibility building height requirements adjacent to neighborhood properties in the extreme;
- and again is asking for conflicting height measures to be included in the ordinance... Do NOT allow this applicant to add back in the higher Mean Sea Level (MSL) standard that was already negotiated OUT of the deal.
"In short, Council, please oppose the Austin Oaks PUD (Case C814-2014-0120). Thank you."
Street address: 8200 NEELEY DR, AUSTIN, TX, 78759
Council District: 10

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Karen Whitehead
512.422.5413
Dear Commissioner Weber - Please vote no on the Austin Oaks PUD as is. There are several issues that concern me.

1. 13 Heritage trees and 31 protected trees are to be cut down in the current proposal. Previously it was 8 Heritage trees to be cut down and one transplanted. Cutting down 43 trees is outrageous to me.

2. A tree survey that is good for 25 years is unacceptable. Some of these trees can grow up to 10” in that amount of time. Please stay with the current code of surveying the trees every 5 years.

3. Traffic mitigation - The previous PUD of 2015 had car trips at 19,819 trips per day. What came out of the charrette was 17,000 car trips per day. Current PUD, as of October 16, now has 19,648 car trips per day per the TIA. What specific traffic mitigation can be done with the $628,000 offered by the developer? Per staff’s TIA memo dated October 6, 2016, a number of impacted intersections fail at a much greater rate even after the applicant’s total of only $628,000 in mitigation funding. What happened to the $10,000,000 figure?

4. What affordable housing is offered?

Thank you for your service to our city. I really appreciate it.

Stephanie Ashworth
District 10 constituent
7608 Parkview Circle
Austin, TX 78731
Dear Mayor and Council,

I oppose "The PUD". This area cannot sustain current traffic counts. The W/WW infrastructure was just right-sized under the ACWP. It will not sustain the proposed additional occupants and uses. Please do not approve this development.

In the alternative:
Have the applicant fully mitigate the increased traffic as some of these intersections become "dangerously unsafe" even after the proposed mitigation (most especially Greystone @ MoPac), last year applicant offered $10M in traffic mitigation, now offering less than $1M in traffic mitigation; and

Scale back the variances and impact on the Heritage and Protected trees. NO 11 year tree survey (these trees grow 3-4" diameter in that time) and follow the Heritage and Protected tree Ordinances. Applicant can and should design around 4 x 30" Heritage trees and evaluate for transplanting 4-8 additional Heritage trees. Also try to design around the 2 Heritage trees in the TXDOT right-of-way. Applicant CAN do it.

Please include my message in the back-up materials on this case.

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Respectfully submitted,
Therese Baer
Hello,

Thank you for taking the time to read my input on the subject planning hearing.
I am a residential neighbor of the Austin Oaks complex.
I am not in agreement with the charrette conclusion as stated by the NorthWest Austin Civic Association (NWACA), and not in agreement with the latest communication offered by NWACA on this subject.

However, I understand that development will occur at the Austin Oaks location, and would like to offer input on the resolution of plans for the site.

1. It appears that the applicant is offering only $628,000 for the greatly increased traffic mitigation. I use the Greystone and Mopac service road intersection frequently to reach Mopac South, and the traffic at that location is already heavy. I believe your staff's TIA memo dated Oct 6, 2016, state that a number of impacted intersections fail at a much greater rate even after the $628,000 is applied to traffic mitigation. 

   I would ask that ZAP and City Council require full and complete payment for traffic mitigation for all intersections surrounding the property, especially Greystone and Mopac and Executive Center and Mopac. Applicant offered $10 million for mitigation last year, and reduced it to $628,000 in the latest proposal. The citizens of Austin should not be taxed to pay for development cost of traffic mitigation.

2. From the 2015 PUD plan, there were 8 buildings, 6 of which would have 7-10 floors. The current PUD plan has 12 buildings (plus 5 garages), 11 of which would have 6-8 floors. I ask for the 8 buildings, with maximum building heights of 60 ft - 5 stories tall. And I ask that the applicant, Zap, and City Council get rid of the MSL (mean sea level) figures on the building heights in the Land Use Plan, those are site specific (this is not a site plan) and in conflict with stated building heights.

3. From the 2015 PUD plan, 8 Heritage trees were to be cut down, 1 Heritage tree to be transplanted, tree survey by code every 5 years. Current PUD plan has 13 Heritage trees & 31 Protected trees to be cut down, and proposes the same 2013 tree survey used for 25 years. I ask that the applicant scale back the variances and impact on the Heritage and Protected trees, and go back to the 2015 proposal on the Heritage trees and 5 year tree survey. Further, the proposed 25-year tree survey is unrealistic and unheard of as trees can grow up to 10" in diameter during that time. Existing Heritage and Protected tree ordinances should be followed, allowing the applicant to develop the property in a profitable manner.

Thank you for your time and effort on this project.
If allowed, please include my input in the back-up material for this case.

Kind regards,

Wanda Brown
Edgerock Drive
Austin, TX 78731
Dear Sirs,
I am forwarding an email I sent to Austin City Council members with my comments on the proposed Austin Oaks PUD. I ask that you take my concerns into account as you make decisions on this case.

Sincerely,
Gregory Choban
4002 Edgerock Drive
Austin, TX 78731

This message is from Gregory Choban. [**********]

I live in the PUD area and am deeply concerned about the traffic issues it will produce as currently planned. I ask that you:
Have the applicant fully mitigate the increased traffic as some of the impacted intersections will become dangerously unsafe, especially Greystone and MOPAC.
Scale back the variances and impact on Heritage and Protected trees. Follow the current Heritage and Protected Tree Ordinances.
Request this email be included in the backup materials on this case.

Street address: 4002 Edgerock Drive

Council District: District not found
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Patsy McLemore
Your Name (please print)

I am in favor [ ]
[ ] I object

Your address(es) affected by this application

Patsy McLemore
Signature

9-4-16
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-445-3677

Comments: Please see attachment

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Andrew Moore
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
Dale and Patsy Melmore

Thank you,

therefore request—urge really—that you reject this proposal. However, about the proposed redevelopment of that large tract of land and intersection of Mopac and Spocewood Springs Rd. We feel very differently, be beneficial for the area, even including the existing development at the community develop; and, so far, we have considered most of the development to miles away at the Balcones—2222 intersection. So we have watched this serve us. Basic services such as a Grocery store, pharmacy, and the station were there was no Mopac or Steck Ave, and Mesas did not extend far enough North to moved in the only way to reach our house was via Balcones Dr. and Hydege Dr. —

We have lived in the Westover Hills neighborhood for almost 45 years. When we

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has been calling for the rejection of the PUD zoning request for well over a year. Development companies, much like real-estate developers, do not get to dictate what is in the best interest of our city. So, I urge the city council, in particular our representative Shari Ballew, to please reject the request for PUD zoning designation.
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October 13, 2016, City Council

Elaine Wood
3600 Greenstone Drive

Your Name (please print)
Your address(es) affected by this application
Signature

I am in favor
I object

9/2/16
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-608-3049

Comments: Andrew Moore,
I object to the case CB14-2014-0120.
Set forth at the hearings on
September 6th, 2016 and October 13th, 2016 on the grounds that
it will facilitate the over-development of commercial interests and
residential Austin areas. This does not represent
the interests of the residents here.

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Your Name (please print)
Vallarie Sinclair

7901 Ceberry Dr

Your address(es) affected by this application
Sinclair

Signature
9/1/16

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-509-0914

Comments: The scope & scale continues to be inappropriate for the area. The Staff has not provided adequate explanation or justification for finding any element superior. Adequate is not superior. Seven story buildings, a hotel,

five-story buildings looming over houses at the highest points of the property. Tree issues - all ignored by staff in any substantive meaningful manner.

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Judy Moltz

3809 Spicewood Springs #152

Your address(es) affected by this application

Judy Moltz

Signature

SEP 1, 2016

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512.345.6530

Comments: The neighborhood has more than enough traffic as it is — no more please.

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Comments: The infrastructure surrounding this area is not capable of handling more traffic. All of the schools in this area are overcrowded and underfunded. There is no reason to put more stress on this area.

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Leilani Williams

Your Name (please print)

7630 Wood Hollow #110
Your address(es) affected by this application

Leilani Williams  Sept 1, 2016
Signature  Date

Daytime Telephone: 832-785-7745

Comments: This project would destroy my family’s apartment.

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Larry Mcd (Mark Woman + 6)
Your Name (please print)
2719 Wood Hollow Dr, 78731
Your address(es) affected by this application
Signature
Daytime Telephone: 512-346-9522
Date

Comments: I have worked in this area since 1984 and know the area well. This change would have adverse affect on neighborhood and transit.

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[Signature]

Your Name (please print)
7703 Bramblewood Circle
Your address(es) affected by this application

[Signature] 8/29/16

Daytime Telephone: 483-866-4706

Comments: I’m very concerned about the impact to traffic and school overcrowding this project would bring. Doss Elementary, Murchison Middle School and Anderson HS are already overcrowded. How is this being addressed?

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Andrew Moore, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: September 6, 2016, Zoning and Platting Commission
October 13, 2016, City Council

Oscar B. Jackson

3445 Executive Center Dr. Ste 101, 78731

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Signature

08/29/2016

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I am in favor
I object

You, Rick Baird
7406 Shadow Hill Drive, Apt. 105, Austin, TX 78741

Signature
Date 8/30/2014

Daytime Telephone: (512) 346-0951
Comments: Big money and good lawyers usually win out so why are we voting on it

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Dear Members of the Austin Zoning and Platting Commission,  
I know you are meeting tonight concerning the Austin Oaks PUD application. I wanted to quickly register my opposition to the current PUD and sum up why.  
I have lived in the neighborhood for 23 years and I’ve followed the plans for this with great consternation given what I already know about traffic issues with that area.  
Just a short distance south of Austin Oaks PUD will be one of only two entrances for the new MoPac toll lane. Traffic going south to enter MoPac from the access road near Greystone Drive will already be crossing 3 lanes of traffic to get into the toll lane between Far West/2222.  
The topography of the Austin Oaks PUD is an issue; it’s on a hilltop so there is little change that can ever occur to MoPac access. That means the traffic pouring out of the development and going south will be adding to the high-speed traffic already coming out of Mopac onto the service road – a dicey situation already in high-traffic times. (My daughter was already side-swiped by a quickly exiting mom, eager to pick up her child from camp and changing lanes as she left MoPac to get to Far West.)  
I’m shocked the Texas Highway Department wouldn’t be one of the chief protesters against a project that puts so many more cars on MoPac – especially at that location – just north of the new toll lane entrance.  
I know the current zoning on the Austin Oaks PUD tract will permit more building, but not at the level of the current PUD (2016) with 12 buildings and 1.191 million square feet. I also understand a far greater number of heritage and protected trees will also be cut down in the current application.  
The reason to grant a PUD rather than have a real estate investor/developer use existing zoning is that a PUD is supposed to benefit the neighboring community by allowing higher structures so there is space for more parkland and trees. I understand the impact of going forward with this one would be we’d see the current 4,085 vehicle trips a day go to 19,648 trips (even up from the 17,000 trips that was arrived at during that NWACA Charrette).  
It is not to allow higher structures so there can be more traffic dumping cars onto already busy access roadways, neighborhood streets, and MoPac.

There has to be a good reason for the city to grant this more beneficial zoning category and I have yet to hear it.

Require the applicant to fully mitigate the increased traffic at Greystone and MoPac, Executive Center and MoPac and at its entrance to Spicewood Springs Road. Do not let so many large
trees be removed and require they meet tree protection ordinances and have the trees re-
surveyed so it’s clear which ones meet protection status.

Please have my message included in the back-up materials on this case to ZAP and City Council.

Best regards,

Kim Cook
4209 Greystone Drive
Once again, I’m writing out of concern about the traffic impact that the proposed Austin Oaks PUD will have on the surrounding neighborhood. I wonder if the Traffic Impact Analysis study has factored in the potential effect that this development, combined with the scenario that this article in today’s Statesman outlines, will have. Here is the article:


Reading this article, and living within half a mile of the proposed PUD, I can envision two major problems:

1. With drivers entering MoPac southbound at Far West and attempting to cross several lanes of traffic to get to the express lane, there will be an increase in traffic accidents at this location, causing traffic backups that can stretch well to the north, making it more difficult for drivers trying to enter MoPac at Spicewood Springs and backing up traffic on the surface roads leading to the highway.

2. Drivers who want to avoid the dangerous Far West express lane entry will head north on neighborhood streets to enter MoPac at Steck or Spicewood Springs. This will add even more traffic to the already clogged roads ... where traffic is projected to quadruple under the existing proposal.

Please take all these factors into account and seek ways to limit the huge increase in density that the current proposal entails. Reducing building heights to five stories is a good start; there may be other ways to keep a future Austin Oaks from becoming the center of an entire gridlocked residential neighborhood. I urge you to consider all possible means to keep this area safe for those of us who already live here.

Thank you,
Kathryn Cramer
3700 Orrell Court
Austin TX 78731

Kathryn Cramer
512-909-8248
As someone who lives within one-half mile of the proposed Austin Oaks PUD, I object strongly to the current plans for the property. Nothing in their plan offers superiority over current uses. Among my reasons are these:

- The applicant proposes to use questionable methods to decide which Heritage and Protected trees on the site to cut down. This may result in the significant loss of healthy trees.

- There is no Land Use Plan attached to the new material, nor are certain estimates required by the city’s PUD ordinance included in the submission.

- The applicant continues to use height estimates that may allow them to argue for buildings even taller than eight stories when the Site Plan is discussed.

- Negotiations are not yet final to determine how much the applicant should pay to mitigate the estimated 19,648 trips per day that the PUD will generate, compared to the current 4,086.

- The applicant is asking for Cocktail Lounge and Medical Office uses, both of which may increase traffic counts above the estimated 19,648 trips per day.

I also recall, from the charrette, that the applicant said they did not build or manage hotels or residential properties, so they would sell the two parcels designated for those uses to other companies. They also said that medical offices were a subspecialty, one they did not deal with. So if they are granted that use, will they sell off another piece of the property to yet another company? This leads me to wonder: is the applicant a developer or a flipper? What’s going to be left if they keep selling off parcels?

Please consider these factors and realize that this high-density, high-rise proposal is not in keeping with the predominantly residential character of the surrounding neighborhood.

Thank you – Kathryn Cramer, 3700 Orrell Court, Austin TX 78731

Kathryn Cramer
kathryncramer@att.net
512-909-8248
Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I am writing to request that the Austin Oaks PUD be developed in a way that does not harm the neighborhood or the environment.

Specifically, we need the developer to take full responsibility for the increased traffic and provide full mitigation. We do not need intersections in the neighborhood that are dangerously unsafe, particularly Greystone at Mopac. The developer needs to pay for the traffic improvements that will be needed because of his development. It should not be the city and the neighborhoods that pay.

The developer should follow the Heritage and Protected Tree Ordinances, without variances. Heritage trees should be designed around, or transplanted.

Please include my email in the backup materials on this case.

Sincerely,

Leslie Currens
6404 Deer Hollow Lane
Austin, TX 78750

Street address: 6404 Deer Hollow Lane, Austin, TX 78750

Council District: District not found
David and Andrew.

I was asked to copy my message to the Austin City Council. See below.

Greg Fitzgerald
3708 Greystone Drive, Austin TX 78731

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Greg Fitzgerald" <apache@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Austin Oaks PUD - No Support
Date: November 3, 2016 at 10:14:19 AM CDT
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, don.zimmerman@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc:

This message is from Greg Fitzgerald. [  ]

All -

I've lived 5 houses down from Hart / Greystone in a home for the past 16 years. I do not support the changes to the Austin Oaks PUD as it is completely unnecessary and detrimental to the entire area. Since there is no clear and present 'improvement' to this request for PUD AND it does not comply the the City's own Ordinances for Heritage and Protected Trees and Traffic Counts, please record for all back up materials and voting that my residence is AGAINST this PUD and any adjustments not providing clear improvements to traffic, safety or environment.

The Developer can and should remain within the existing code structure it bought originally. While the neighborhood has agreed to Charrette in good faith to work with the Developer....it is very apparent that the Developer is taking advantage of this good will to NOT improve the situation and to actually negotiate/drop previously agreed improvements (i.e., $10M for traffic mitigation is now less than$1M offer).

Thank you for your time and attention to 'Do This Right' for the city, the neighborhood and all precedents this will establish for other neighborhoods in the
future as Austin expands.

Street address: 3708 Greystone Drive

Council District: 10
To members of the ZAP Commission,

I would like to urge you to not support the development of the Austin Oaks tract with near the intensity proposed by the developers. Such a development is simply not suitable right up against a calm residential neighborhood. For example, it appears the developer is claiming 19,648 trips per day from the project by the year 2024.

If we reckon these to occur over an 8 hour business day that is close to one per second! Moreover, if there is appreciable night time use because there is/are restaurants or cocktail lounges, such traffic intensity seems crazy for that area. Already in the morning we can have to sit through two or more lights on Spicewood and Mopac. It is hard to imagine how increased car, but especially truck, traffic will not be greatly disruptive to a residential environment. Also, the planned development of housing there with the influx of more children to Doss/Murchison seems ridiculous since those schools can hardly handle the kids already there. Doss just added the new portables, but this is no way to manage a school. And it appears that the development as planned will be quite detrimental to a large number of trees in the area. Finally, it seems that much of the dollar cost of mitigating these issues (traffic management adjustments, schooling…) would not be borne by the developer but by us, the taxpayers.

You, that is the City, need not create various zoning and environmental exemptions that allow this intense development to move forward.

There are plenty of thinly developed already commercial areas which could be better developed. You don’t have to impose such vigorous development of Austin Oaks on us.

Thank you for your understanding,

David Goldstein
7700 Chimney Corners Drive
78731
Dear Members of the Zoning and Platting Commission:

My husband and I have lived in the Northwest Hills area for ten years. We love this neighborhood for the tranquility, the community, and the hills, trees and green spaces it offers. I appreciate the professionals, restaurants and retailers that have chosen to do business in our neighborhood. But we have noticed over these years that traffic has increased greatly through our neighborhood. A further, dramatic increase in traffic is our biggest concern with Spire's current proposal for Austin Oaks PUD. With mobility and safety being top priorities for city leaders, I do not understand how the applicant's reduction in funds for traffic mitigation is acceptable. I cannot imagine that failing, "dangerously unsafe" intersections are acceptable to members of this commission. And there is no mitigation that I am aware of for increased car trips on Adirondack Trail and other residential streets, which will inevitably result as frustrated drivers seek alternate routes to congested Spicewood Springs Road.

In addition, the current plans for the PUD propose cutting down more Heritage and Protected Trees than the previous proposal. This seems to be in direct opposition to the goals/recommendations of the Green Infrastructure Working Group. Please direct the applicant to commission a new tree survey to accurately reflect the status of the trees on the site, so they can redevelop accordingly.

Finally, we realize that Austin is a changing and growing city. We would love to see the Austin Oaks site updated and redeveloped, but within reason and in ways that complement the existing character of neighborhood and enhance the quality of life for all. For who is really benefitting from the Austin Oaks PUD? The people who would be affected the most have been overwhelmingly opposed to this rezoning effort on the part of Spire, whose bottom line is to maximize their own profits. To expect anything different from a developer, I suppose, is wishful thinking. But as residents of this neighborhood that is not our concern. When the applicant bought the property, it was under certain zoning restrictions. They knew what they were getting into. And despite efforts to win over residents with certain concessions, they have turned this process into an almost 3-year ordeal for the neighborhood.

As city officials, I understand that you must balance progress with the rights, wishes and best interests of the citizens (which aren't always in agreement themselves). But please don't be pushed around by outside interests. Hold Spire's feet to the fire. They must be held accountable for the impact this PUD will have on traffic, the natural landscape, and the safety and quality of life of the people who already live and own homes in this neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Shelley Guerra
As a business owner and resident in the Northwest Hills area I am very concerned about the following issues with the Austin Oaks PUD application:

- The applicant proposes to use questionable methods to decide which Heritage and Protected trees on the site to cut down. This may result in the significant loss of healthy trees.
- There is no Land Use Plan attached to the new material, nor are certain estimates required by the city’s PUD ordinance included in the submission.
- The applicant continues to use height estimates that may allow them to argue for buildings even taller than eight stories when the Site Plan is discussed.
- Negotiations are not yet final to determine how much the applicant should pay to mitigate the estimated 19,648 trips per day that the PUD will generate, compared to the current 4,086.
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I urge you to deny the application until all of the issues are addressed. The traffic increases will adversely affect my business at 3818 Spicewood Springs Rd Ste 201. And, tall looming buildings at this beautiful wooded site are not appropriate for our family neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Janet C Hagy

Janet C. Hagy, CPA
Hagy & Associates, P.C.
3818 Spicewood Springs Rd.
Suite 201
Austin, TX 78759
512-346-3782
Fax 512-346-7307
Email: jhagy@hagycpa.com
Dear Commissioners and Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Austin Oaks Planned Urban Development (PUD).

As a resident of Northwest Hills, I have been actively involved in the Austin Oaks PUD process since the first public meetings. At the first community forum held on August 19, 2014, I was one of the first speakers to stand and raise serious concerns about the traffic impact of the proposed PUD. At the time, I was in the midst of recovering from being hit by a car that came up on a sidewalk while I was walking near my home on Far West Blvd. I did not want increased traffic in my neighborhood or the attendant risks that it posed for pedestrians as well as the many children who walk and bike to our local schools every day, including my two daughters.

I continued my opposition to the Austin Oaks PUD until Spire Reality agreed to participate in the charrette process organized by the Northwest Austin Civic Association. I attended as many sessions of the charrette process as possible. By the end of the charrette, I moved from opposing the PUD to supporting the preferred plan, which was developed during the course of the charrette.

I believe that the plan proposed by Spire Reality is in keeping with the results of the charrette and represents the best direction for the property and my neighborhood. Among the many positives of the plan, it will significantly enhance my neighborhood through increased park space and restoration of the creek that runs through the property.

I encourage you to cast your vote in support of the proposal before you.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Kaplan, Ph.D.
4102 Far West Blvd
I'm writing to request that Austin Oaks be granted no variances with regard to building height or heritage and protected trees.

I'd also like for full mitigation of increased traffic. Every morning I turn right onto Balcones from Hart Lane and often have to wait for five minutes as it is, I can't imagine more cars on the surface streets, since many cars already take Balcones to skip Mopac.

Please include this message in the back-up materials on Austin Oaks.

thanks very much -

Alex Keller
Street Address: 6910 Hart Ln # 603
Council District: District not found
TO ALL OF THE ABOVE:

I live in the area and am concerned about the potential changes that will affect my life and the lives of my community in a powerful way. The proposed changes will have a negative affect on our lives and property values.

I am requesting that you have the applicant fully mitigate the increased traffic as some of these intersections become "dangerously unsafe" even after the proposed mitigation (most especially Greystone @ MoPac), last year applicant offered $10M in traffic mitigation, now they are offering less than $1M in traffic mitigation; and to scale back the variances and impact on the Heritage & Protected trees. NO 11 year tree survey (these trees grow 3-4" in diameter in that time) and follow the Heritage and Protected tree Ordinances. The applicant can and should design AROUND 4 X 30" Heritage trees and evaluate for transplanting 4-8 additional Heritage trees. On $40M rental income a year applicant CAN do this. TXDOT should try to design AROUND 2 Heritage trees in the right-of-way.

PLEASE INCLUDE MY MESSAGE IN THE BACK-UP MATERIALS ON THIS CASE.

Sincerely,

Betty J. Kirk
Dear ZAP Members,

I have lived in NWHills for many years. It is sad that the voice of the community is falling on deaf ears in regards to this development. The NWHills HOA and others have said "NO" more than once. However, this PUD will not go away!

Based on the data available, the additional residences, businesses, and office area are going to harm the neighborhood that is loved by those that live in it. The "developer" purchased the land with the buildings and zoning in place. That should have been the end of the story. The city continues to do things to increase the bank account without regard to what they are doing to the people that live in these communities.

Reviewing data available it is hard to believe anyone is really doing their job to capture accurate information.

TRAFFIC STATS:
- Now 4,086 trips per day
- Previous PUD (2015) 19,819 trips per day
- NWACA's Charrette PUD (Jan. 2016) "17,000 trips per day"
- Current PUD (Oct. 2016) 19,648 trips per day (per TIA), 380% increase over current (net new trips 15,562 per day)
- By Staff's TIA Memo dated Oct. 6, 2016, a number of impacted intersections fail at a much greater rate even after the applicant's total of only $628,000 in mitigation offered.

BUILDING HEIGHT STATS:
- WG asked for 5 stories (60 ft) max; limited to current zoning baseline entitlement, which we are now told is about 1M sq. ft., current 445,322 sq. ft.
- Previous PUD (2015) 8 buildings; 6 at 7-10 floors; 1.28M total sq. ft.
- Current PUD (2016) 12 buildings + 5 garages; 11 at 6-8+ floors (by MSL figures); 1.191 Million sq. ft.
(Land Use Plan needs to get rid of conflicting and site specific MSL -mean sea level- building height figures)

TREE STATS:
- WG asked to reduce # of impacted Heritage & Protected trees
- Previous PUD (2015) 8 Heritage trees to be cut down, 1 Heritage tree to be transplanted, tree survey by code every 5 years.
- Current PUD (2016) 13 Heritage trees & 31 Protected trees to be cut down (proposed), Same 2013 tree survey used for 25 years.
(Good review of that at http://austintx.swagit.com/play/10052016-808)

As a leader, I would expect clear and accurate data to support the community concerns. If the
desire is for the developer to proceed, the developer should:

a. The applicant fully mitigate the increased traffic as some of these intersections become "dangerously unsafe" even after the proposed mitigation (for example Greystone @ MoPac; stats for Executive Ctr @ MoPac are left out of Staff Memo), last year applicant offered $10M in traffic mitigation, now only offering $628K in traffic mitigation;

b. Get rid of the MSL (mean sea level) figures on the building heights in the Land Use Plan, those are site specific (this is not a site plan) and in conflict with stated building heights; and

c. Scale back the variances and impact on the Heritage and Protected trees. NO 25 year tree survey (trees grow 10" diameter in that time) and follow the Heritage and Protected tree Ordinances. Applicant CAN do it.

d. What about schools, road wear-and-tear/improvement, community services, utilities, police support, and other necessities.

I would prefer that this project be moved to a more suitable site in Austin. That is available for such a development and can support additional infrastructure (schools, parks, streets, etc..). Placing this PUD in an already crowded community: with schools over-capacity, traffic out of control, low/no public transportation --- just does not make sense.

I expect this to be included in the back-up materials on this case to ZAP and to Council.

Thank you!
Jill Klucher

Jill Klucher
(512)587-4878
The following message was sent to Mayor Adler and the Austin City Council.

Please understand --- this project (Austin Oaks PUD) does not belong in this neighborhood. This neighborhood already is a traffic mess due to the other bad decisions of the City of Austin.

Thank you.

Jill Klucher
(512)587-4878

--------- Forwarded message ---------
From: Jill Klucher <apache@austintexas.gov>
Date: Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 4:37 PM
Subject: Austin Oaks PUD
To: steve.adler@austintexas.gov, ora.houston@austintexas.gov, district2@austintexas.gov, sabino.renteria@austintexas.gov, gregorio.casar@austintexas.gov, district5@austintexas.gov, don.zimmerman@austintexas.gov, district7@austintexas.gov, district8@austintexas.gov, kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov, district10@austintexas.gov
Cc: This message is from Jill Klucher. [ ]

Hello!

I want to say again --- I feel the developer bought the Austin Oaks property with the assigned zoning, he should operate within that zoning with the City of Austin (COA).

I bought my home with knowledge of zoning and surrounding structures, zoning and businesses. I am no opposed to progress -- I am opposed to destroying a community in search of affordable housing, more offices, and retail that is not needed.

The PUD concept is great in the correct location. Place a PUD in far east Austin (like Mueller). Provide public transportation to different locations of interest in the city, offer elements of affordable housing, retail and small business locations, schools system, utilities, etc...

To place a project like this in an existing over-crowded neighborhood is not right. It is not the Austin I moved to and fell in love with.

Please do not approve the Austin Oaks PUD. Do not permit them to return with another plan and waste more of my COA tax money to review something that is not wanted in Northwest Hills.

Thank you!
Street address: 7918 MEsa Trails Circle
Council District: District not found
Please stop the Austin Oaks PUD proposal from going any further. I am not against growth. I am not against change. I am VERY against the Austin Oaks PUD proposal. The proposed PUD for the Austin Oaks site is not superior to the current zoning.

The traffic that will be generated from the proposed PUD is not acceptable, and very little is being offered to help the situation. The traffic that will be generated by the PUD causes several intersections to fail completely. Failure, without any resolution is not acceptable and is not superior.

Too many trees will be lost with the proposed PUD. More effort needs to be made to maintain the natural beauty in Austin. The site where the Austin Oaks PUD would reside has history and trees. Taking away those trees and history is not acceptable and is not superior.

The designated schools for the Austin Oaks site are already extremely overcrowded. The elementary school that used to have a nice walking track, now is a field of portables. The Austin Oaks would add to the population of the already overcrowded schools, which is not superior.

The Austin Oaks site backs to a neighborhood setting. The site needs to allow for the neighborhood to continue to thrive. Imposing gridlock traffic, adding more students to already overcrowded schools, and taking away natural beauty are not good for the neighborhood. And definitely NOT superior.

Thank you,
Sara Krauskopf
4207 Woodway Dr.
Austin, TX
Dear Environmental Commission Member,

While we support the concept of containing sprawl in Greater Austin, we also believe that dense development should preserve successful, safe neighborhoods. In the main, Northwest Hills is one such community.

We like this part of Austin because it isn’t flashy, attracts families that are interested in education, and values the gifts of senior citizens, judging by the people who live on our wonderful block, just off Hart Lane.

Unfortunately, commercial development along Far West Blvd. is mainly unattractive impervious cover. We have affordable housing units on Wood Hollow Dr. that have been allowed to fall out of compliance with City Code. It makes us wonder if the neighborhood can sustain further development.

For the past three years, we’ve listened as Spire Realty and anti-PUD community members work toward compromise. Now the matter is in your hands.

As you weigh the choices before you, please consider:

• Air quality and the health of children and adults with chronic conditions are compromised by cars idling at “failing intersections.” Without sufficient traffic mitigation, intersections in the area’s surrounding neighborhoods will fail.

As a corollary, what role can Austin Oaks play in encouraging area residents to become more savvy commuters to other employment centers in Austin?

• A combination of heritage, protected and new trees is best. Young trees consume more carbon dioxide than fully mature trees. However, it takes them years to contribute to shade cover and they also are more dependent on water. Please make sure that Austin Oaks is a model of sustainable land use and pursues LEED designation.

• If the plans are based on junk information and vagaries, the developer will be within its rights to maximize profit based on junk information and vagaries.

Please hold the Austin Oaks PUD application to the highest standards, not to deter smart development for Austin, but to send a strong message to developers that they had better bring their A game. In the end, it is the developers who will prosper from their holdings in our community. Residents, on the other hand, will have to put up with air, noise, light and material pollution, and the likelihood of eroded property values.

Adrienne and Ed Lallo
7504 Stonecliff Dr. in the Northwest Oaks III subdivision of Northwest Hills
Austin, Texas 78731
Good afternoon. I write regarding the proposed Austin Oaks PUD. Specifically, I write to oppose the applicant's current proposal and to set forth the primary reasons for my opposition. Please include my email in the back-up materials on this case to ZAP and to City Council. If you have any questions about my concerns, please let me know.

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Austin is a thriving, growing city, and I have no desire to contribute to the well-known "Not in My Backyard" phenomenon. But neither to do I think that Austin should allow a property purchaser to leverage the PUD ordinance to increase its own profits while leaving the surrounding neighborhood to shoulder the burdens of the PUD alone. We all want a liveable, sustainable Austin. I just don't think the Austin Oaks PUD proposal will help achieve those goals.

Respectfully,
Victoria Cantu
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Leigh McCary
3815 Hyridge Drive

On Saturday, November 5, 2016 6:43 AM, Leigh McCary <apache@austintexas.gov> wrote:

This message is from Leigh McCary. [ ]
I am writing to you in opposition to the Austin Oaks PUD. My concerns are the increase in traffic, building heights, and heritage trees. The latest version still has a large increase traffic volume and the applicant is now offering a fraction of the prior offer in traffic mitigation. The intersections at Mopac and Spicewood Springs, Mopac and Steck, Mopac and Greystone, and Spicewood and Woodhollow cannot sustain these increases. To even consider this proposal the application must, at a minimum, restore the prior $10M offer. The building heights should be no higher than allowed under conventional zoning. Otherwise they will loom over the residential neighborhoods and set a poor precedent for other future developments along the Mopac corridor. With respect to the trees, I see no reason why this developer should be allowed to go around the heritage tree ordinance. We are protecting them for good reason, the health and character of our beautiful city. The applicant should be expected to design around the heritage trees as anyone else would. No 11 year tree study please.

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Street address: 3815 Hyridge Drive
Council District: District not found
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Diane Newberry
3801 Green Trail N
Austin, TX  78731
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On $40M rental income a year the applicant CAN and should take care of these problems.

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Thank you,

Dave Olski
FYI

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Sent: Saturday, October 15, 2016 4:17 PM
To: Guernsey, Greg
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Re: Zoning change for Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-2014-0120

The Summerwood Homeowners Association requests that the City of Austin deny the current Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning application.

If the PUD is built as most recently proposed, it will negatively impact traffic and our environment. Based on a transportation impact analysis, daily car trips are expected to increase by more than 15,000 trips per day, meaning vehicles will idle for exorbitant periods of time at intersections that are already failing. Too many heritage and protected trees will be eliminated. The height of the office buildings will be unsightly and degrade the character of the neighborhood.

We recognize that new development/redevelopment is inevitable. However, proposed projects should include measures to preserve and/or enhance the quality and beauty of our 40-year-old community. The Austin Oaks PUD proposal does not preserve or enhance; it does not belong in our neighborhood.

We respectfully ask that the Austin Oaks owner/developer be required to implement traffic infrastructure modifications for both sides of the intersection at Steck Avenue and MoPac, where we are likely to see vehicular logjams due to massive amounts of cut-through traffic. We also ask that the owner/developer redesign the project to scale back its impact on heritage and protected trees and keep building heights at/near levels allowed by current zoning.

Please reject the zoning change proposal for Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-2014-0120.

We also request that this letter be included in the Zoning and Platting Commission back-up materials.

Sincerely,

Julie Rawlings
President,
Summerwood Homeowners Association
Hello,

I am gravely concerned that the proposed PUD to replace Austin Oaks Business Park is a serious mistake. It seems that the new development would need to be called North Austin Skyscrapers—NO Oaks! Traffic congestion, the terrain, and building height concerns all suggest this project does not fit in North Austin. We don’t want this development. We don’t need this development. We won’t be able to adapt to the drastic changes this development will make in this highly congested intersection at MOPAC and Anderson Lane. The developer’s numbers are all suspect and require intense scrutiny by all responsible City jurisdictions. Austin Oaks is not a business park that needs to be replaced.

Sincerely,

Ron W. Coldiron
6509 Marblewood Dr.
Austin, TX 78731
Former NWACA Board Member
NW Hills has a PUD in the Town Center, so we know what one looks like. Austin Oaks is just another large scale development which Northwest Hills roads and schools clearly cannot handle from the Austin Zoning process reports which I have followed closely.

While Ms Gallo lauds the "superior parks" plan of Austin Oaks, she meanwhile spends her time and effort removing her prior Parks appointees, and as near as I can tell, rebuilding every park in Tarrytown, always the monetary and power center of Austin since I moved here in 1960. Am I surprised? No. Am I disappointed? Deeply.

Sherry Gallo and NWACA notwithstanding, I do NOT agree that the Charrette reflects the opinions of this neighborhood. Only 55 NWACA neighbors were present when a snap vote was taken by the Charrette. NWACA assoc does not represent Northwest Hills citizens either, since their only polling concerning Austin Oaks occurred over a year ago and was vehemently opposed to rezoning. NWACA is a pro- pro-development set of insulated realtors who meet privately, in a very small group, not really advertised and only privately at Mangia Pizza on Mesa Drive. They do run a 4th of July Parade and organize a Garage Sale day, and that is their only contact with Northwest Hills. Big deal. They might as well be Office Development lobbyists, and in fact, I believe some of them are

The Charrette was a bait-and-switch manouver by Spire and, most likely, NWACA abetted by Sherry Gallo as former president of Austin Board of Realtors, who paid for transportation.

Please vote to deny this case in zoning, based upon dirty tricks.

Wade Shaw
4310 Far West Blvd
Austin Texas, 78731

The house with the Alison Alter sign in the front yard.
All, I am a resident of Northwest Hills and as such, I am extremely concerned about the impacts of the proposed development to our safety, environment, and quality of life. The current proposal is simply unacceptable, and unfair to those of us who have invested so much time and money to build a life here. For example, my husband and I have paid TENS OF THOUSANDS of extra dollars to address (often very minor) code compliance issues during a recent remodel (McMansion rules, heritage tree rules, infrastructure rules, etc etc), so I am incensed that the developer in question here is not even being held to the same standard (for example, using a 25-year tree survey is laughable). Noncompliance should not be for sale!!!

I would very much like to STOP this development altogether! At a MINIMUM, I would like to add my voice to the requests and concerns attached at the bottom of this note regarding the following points:

a. SAFETY - PROJECTIONS OF NEARLY FIVE TIMES THE CURRENT TRAFFIC COUNTS ARE NOT ADDRESSED - Have the applicant fully mitigate the increased traffic as some of these intersections become "dangerously unsafe" even after the proposed mitigation (for example Greystone @ MoPac; stats for Executive Ctr @ MoPac are left out of Staff Memo), last year applicant offered $10M in traffic mitigation, but is now only offering $628K in traffic mitigation.
b. BUILDING CODE - Eliminate the MSL (mean sea level) figures on the building heights in the Land Use Plan, those are site specific (this is not a site plan) and in conflict with stated building heights.
c. HERITAGE TREES - This is simply not acceptable - private residences would never be allowed to skirt the rules in this way. Scale back the variances and impact on the Heritage and Protected trees. DO NOT USE a 25 year tree survey (trees grow 10" diameter in that time) and follow the Heritage and Protected tree Ordinances.

I hereby request that this message be included in the back-up materials on this case to ZAP & to Council.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. These are real lives impacted, not just meaningless numbers. Please help keep Austin special and beautiful and not let it degrade into another Houston.

Theresa Vincent
3711 Hidden Hollow
Austin, TX 78731

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Attachment 1: PROPOSAL FACTS

TRAFFIC FACTS:
- Now 4,086 trips per day
- Previous PUD (2015) 19,819 trips per day
- NWACA's Charrette PUD (Jan. 2016) "17,000 trips per day"
- Current PUD (Oct. 2016) 19,648 trips per day (per TIA), 380% increase over current (net new trips 15,562 per day)
- By Staff's TIA Memo dated Oct. 6, 2016, a number of impacted intersections fail at a much greater rate even after the applicant's total of only $628,000 in mitigation offered. Greystone @ MoPac becomes particularly dangerous and is unmitigated by the applicant equal to Executive Center @ MoPac.

BUILDING HEIGHT FACTS:
- WG asked for 5 stories (60 ft) max; limited to current zoning baseline entitlement, which we are now told is about 1M sq. ft., current 445,322 sq. ft.
- Previous PUD (2015) 8 buildings; 6 at 7-10 floors; 1.28M total sq. ft.
- Current PUD (2016) 12 buildings + 5 garages; 11 at 6-8+ floors (by MSL figures); 1.191 Million sq. ft.
(Land Use Plan needs to get rid of conflicting and site specific MSL -mean sea level- building height figures)

TREE FACTS:
- WG asked to reduce # of impacted Heritage & Protected trees
- Previous PUD (2015) 8 Heritage trees to be cut down, 1 Heritage tree to be transplanted, tree survey by code every 5 years.
- Current PUD (2016) 13 Heritage trees & 31 Protected trees to be cut down (proposed), Same 2013 tree survey used for 25 years.
Dear Zoning and Platting Commissioner:

I respectfully request that you not approve the Austin Oaks PUD application at your November 1, 2016 meeting.

I was born in Austin, grew up in the Rosedale area, raised a family in Crestview and retired to the Northwest Austin area where I travel Spicewood Springs Road, Steck Avenue and Anderson Lane on a daily basis. I don't need an accurate traffic study to inform me of the congested traffic conditions on these main roadways. I experience them first hand every day. I have sat through three street light changes to get past the MOPAC/Spicewood Springs intersection at 2:00 in the afternoon. I have heard angry people honk and display road rage due to the congestion that is limiting their ability to accomplish daily objectives. 500 percent increase in traffic will decrease our quality of life in the area as well as cause heighten frustration leading to road rage and make us all just plain very unhappy citizens. It appears that the only happy people would be Spire Realty as they collect their financial windfall.

I am not totally against redevelopment of the Austin Oaks property however, I feel that it should be designed with a limit of 5 stories. Also, please have the developer get rid of the mean sea level figures on building heights in the Land Use Plan. I also believe that they need to scale back the variances and impact on the Heritage and Protected trees. Please protect the trees! And we all need to be realistic about the impact that a 500 percent increase in traffic will have on the quality of our lives within District 10.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and for the protection you give our wonderful city. Please include this communication in the back-up materials on this case to ZAP and the Council.

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3621 Claburn Dr
Austin, TX 78759
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Homepage: http://www.russellsage.org/publications/who-gets-represented
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Below are summaries of the responses for each question. For questions that had “other” responses, these responses have been categorized by topic. In many cases, the “other” topics overlap choices that were available to the respondents, but they used the “other” for one that didn’t fit their first, second, and third choices.

Responses to the last question asking for other input ranged across many topics. Those responses are summarized in a separate file, too lengthy to include here.

Q1: For the currently described PUD plan, what is your opinion about the PUD?

![Opinion on Proposed Austin Oaks PUD](image)

- Oppose: 85.2%
- Neutral: 5.9%
- Favor: 8.9%
Q2: If the office buildings at Austin Oaks were to be redeveloped, what preferences do you have for what would be there? (Choose as many as you wish.)

The “Other” responses for Question 2 covered the following topics:

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Results of NWACA March 2015 Poll of NWACA Neighborhood

Survey completed 3/24/15; report generated 4/9/15
501 Responses (12% of 4160 households)

Background

NWACA conducted a survey of the neighborhood in late August and early September, 2014, asking for input on the proposed Austin Oaks PUD, among other topics. Those results were relayed to the neighborhood, City Council, City Staff, and the developer. In November, the developer convened a meeting of neighborhood leaders and laid out changes to the development that the developer hoped would address the concerns raised by the community in the original survey and the community meeting. In December, the developer summarized those ideas in a letter to NWACA, along with eight supporting documents. All of that information is posted at www.nwaca.org. In February, NWACA formulated a new survey in order to continue to give our NWACA neighborhood the opportunity to weigh in on the developer’s proposed changes.

NWACA Engagement

Many residents have commented that the Austin Oaks property owner will likely proceed with some form of development, regardless of the outcome of its PUD application. Residents have expressed an interest in NWACA working to impact that process in a favorable way to preserve and protect the character of our community. In response to questions about PUDs in NWACA, Zoning Committee research has identified at least 14 existing PUDs in the NWACA Area. Neighborhoods like The Trails, Mesa Forest, Treetops, Vista Ridge, and the Dell Jewish Community Campus are Planned Unit Developments (PUDs).

Survey Mechanics

To ensure that responses were from NWACA residents and that only one response per household was submitted, the first question on the survey required name and address information. When validating the responses, a unique ID was assigned to each response, and then the identifying information was separated from the survey question responses and used only for validation purposes. Throughout the survey, responses were ordered in numeric order or in alphabetic order, as appropriate to the question, to avoid answer bias concerns.

Validation of Survey Respondents

Several members of the volunteer NWACA Board spent about 75 hours creating the survey and validating the responses. Many respondents were from locations outside NWACA boundaries, were duplicates from the same address, were names that could not be confirmed as residents, or were otherwise fraudulent responses (such as one submitted for a person who died the week before the survey began). Validation left 501 valid responses, for which the corresponding survey question answers were then analyzed. Results of the analysis follow, by question number. The last question asked for other comments, and that set of comments has been sorted, and the comments are posted verbatim at www.nwaca.org
Survey Results

Q2: Where is your home in relation to the Austin Oaks site?

![Location in relation to Austin Oaks site](chart1)

Q3: How long have you lived in the NWACA area?

![How Long Lived in NWACA Area](chart2)

Q4: Taking into account the developer's proposed changes from the December 22 letter, are you:
- In favor of the proposed PUD
- Like the improvements, but more adjustments are needed for me to support the PUD
- Opposed to the proposed PUD

![Opinion on the Proposed PUD](chart3)
Q5: Select a response for each of the items from the December proposed changes.

This question asked for a selection among these responses for each of 8 changes listed:

- This change is a significant improvement
- This change makes no difference to me
- Much more is needed in this area for me to support the PUD application

The individual changes cited were taken from the developer’s December letter to NWACA, but listed in alphabetic order to avoid bias. Each item listed was cross-referenced to the online copy of material provided by the developer, so that survey takers could examine that material, if they wished to know more about the topic. These were the items rated:

- Decreased Density: Decrease from 1.6M square feet of developed area to 1.4M square feet. The 31 acre site currently has 450,000 square feet developed. (See Dec 2014 A Executed Letter, part 9)
- Decrease in Multifamily Units: Decrease maximum number from 610 units to 300 units. (See Dec 2014 A Executed Letter, part 7)
- Direct Financial Assistance to Schools: An Austin Oaks School Assistance Trust is proposed, funded as the property is redeveloped and leased, anticipating approximately $9M by the year 2032. (See Dec 2014 A Executed Letter, part 3)
- Guaranteed Restaurant Square Footage: Minimum of 90,000 square feet of retail space, of which 60,000 is reserved for restaurants (See Dec 2014 A Executed Letter, part 6)
- Offsite Parkland Improvements: $150,000 for improvements to playground and park area at Doss Elementary School (See Dec 2014 Attachment 4 Doss Elementary – proposed park improvements)
- Onsite Parkland Improvements: add a trail system throughout the site and a 2 acre public park, reducing the number of heritage trees requested for removal from 9 to 5 (See Dec 2014 Attachment 5 Austin Oaks Community Park diagram)
- Pedestrian Safety Improvements: Potential financial assistance to improve pedestrian and bicycling safety at school crossings (See Dec 2014 Attachment 2School access and Safety Summary)
- Traffic Improvements: $400,000 may be provided for restriping and signal modifications at existing intersections. (See page 3 of Dec 2014 Attachment 1 part a)

Responses were sorted in order of greatest need for more improvement in the item.
Q6: What maximum height would you prefer at this site?
- 5 stories (maximum allowed now)
- 9 stories (like the Google building)
- More than 9, but fewer than 16 stories
- 16 stories (200 feet) as proposed

To give survey takers an idea of buildings with comparable heights, example photos were provided. For the 200 foot building, there was no attempt to convey how the Austin Oaks site might look when built out, but only to depict one 200 foot building at that location. There is no real building near the NWACA neighborhood to show as an example, thus a mock-up was developed, just to convey the height.

Q7: Rank the following issues from 1 through 5 (1 most important to you and 5 least important)
- Building height
- Density
- Impact on school enrollment
- Impact on traffic
- Impact on trees and/or environment

The percentage of responses at each rank is shown in the table below.

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The graph below shows the same percentage information, listed in order of the issues ranked most important first.

A weighted average rank was computed from the responses on each issue, yielding the following chart. Results are sorted in order from most important to least important to the respondents.
Q8. Please provide any additional comments you have about any of the options you rated in the survey.

This question was answered by 163 respondents. The comments were grouped into these categories:

- Density
- Development
- Economic
- Environmental
- Height
- NWACA
- Public Safety
- Schools
- Traffic

Verbatim comments are on the NWACA web site at www.nwaca.org
Comments received after the Charrette but prior to April 2016 update to application.
From: Brad Parsons <mauibrad@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 14, 2016 4:37 PM
Subject: Letter OPPOSED to Item C1 ZAP Agenda Mar. 15th
Attachments: AustinOaksLetterMar14.pdf; AOLetterofNoConfdeincevFINAL.pdf; AppendixA-AOLetterofNoConfidenceFinal.pdf; AppendixB-AOLetterofNoConfidence.pdf; FinalDraft-OSMs_012516.pdf

March 14, 2016

Zoning & Platting Commission
City of Austin
301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development (Case #C814-2014-0120)

Commissioners:

On April 8, 2015, the Austin Neighborhoods Council (ANC) Executive Committee issued a Resolution in Opposition to the Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development. Members of the ANC Executive Committee have continued to monitor events with the Austin Oaks PUD case for the inappropriate precedents that could be set by the case and to be aware of manipulation of the public engagement process that has persistently characterized the case.

Since then, in June 2015, ANC members and other adjacent neighborhood associations including:

• Allandale NA
• Balcones Civic Assn
• North Shoal Creek NA and
• Northwest Austin Neighbors
opposed the proposed Austin Oaks rezoning on the basis of adverse impacts to:

• traffic
• heritage and protected trees
• viewsheds due to building heights on MoPac
• overcrowded area schools
as well as inconsistencies with Austin’s Comprehensive Plan related to Neighborhood Center densities and intensities of use and the unplanned precedent that could set be set for along MoPac.

To help resolve outstanding issues to support rezoning and redevelopment of Austin Oaks, interested parties participated in good faith with the property owner applicant:

• In October 2015, representatives of adjacent neighborhood and homeowner associations, and applicant formed a steering committee and working group to consider elements that would result in a redevelopment plan acceptable to all parties;
• In December 2015 and January 2016, the working group organized public information and input sessions to identify Objectives, Strategies, and Measures (OSMs) reflecting community preferences for redevelopment to give direction to the charrette;
• In January 2016, the organizing working group participated in a charrette from January 25-28, resulting in a final design rollout on January 29th.

During the charrette, the working group cited failures of the charrette process to adequately incorporate the stated OSMs regarding overall density, traffic generation, heritage and protected tree retention, and building height into the final design.

Subsequent to the charrette, the working group communicated to the applicant:

• On February 3, 2016, asked for modifications to the final design that more closely reflect the stated OSMs to reduce overall density and traffic impacts, to preserve more heritage and protected trees, and to limit maximum building heights to five stories (60-ft.);
• On February 20, 2016, the working group submitted a detailed “Letter of No Confidence” to the City Council and ZAP (published in the Austin Monitor) reiterating the failure of the charrette to meet the stated OSMs due to process inconsistencies and consequent deficiencies in the final design;
• On March 1, 2016, the neighborhood working group met with the applicant to again request design modifications, in response to which the applicant declined to make changes.
Will also add that the case was last postponed on Sept. 15th, 2015, and the code required for 1 day indefinite postponement runs out today, Mar. 14, 2016. If the Zoning and Platting Commission improperly votes on the case tomorrow (Mar. 15), it will be voting on a case that should have legally already expired. In the past year, there have been amendments to the PUD Ordinance on the point of affordable housing, which the prior Austin Oaks PUD case is grandfathered not to have to meet, but if a new case had to be filed, those new affordable housing requirements would have to be met.

Therefore, as the NW Austin Sector 1 Representative on the ANC Executive Committee, writing for myself, I express support of the above listed neighborhood associations, which are 4 out of 5 of the neighborhood associations surrounding the Austin Oaks property, and reaffirm opposition to the Austin Oaks rezoning and redevelopment as currently proposed. Further, I do not believe this case should be postponed on Mar. 15th. It should be allowed to expire as of Mar. 14th and be required to be refiled as a new case meeting the higher requirements of the current city ordinances.

Respectfully,

Brad Parsons
ANC Sector 1 Rep.
40 year resident 1/2 mile from Austin Oaks

cc: Austin City Council, Environmental Commission, Case Manager for the record.
incl: 5 attachments
LETTER OF NO CONFIDENCE
For the Austin Oaks Charrette
Of January 25-29, 2016

We the undersigned Working Group members hereby state No Confidence in the results of the Austin Oaks Redevelopment Charrette held January 25-29, 2016.

First and foremost, we state this position based on the following material Objectives, Strategies, and Measures (OSM's), developed in good faith collaboration with the property owner, their agent and the Austin Oaks Charrette Working Group, that were not met over the course of the Charrette:

1. Building heights were not adequately limited. Charrette designers and the Charrette facilitator(s) did not creatively work to design concepts in the progression of non-code compliant concept plans to keep building heights to 5 stories. In addition, an effort to place height in the low areas of the site as specifically stated as a strategy in the OSM's was not demonstrated. (OSM, Design/Aesthetics, Objective 1, Strategies)

2. Traffic impact was not mitigated and minimized. Current trips per day were portrayed in the materials shown to the public as 5,000 trips per day; actual trips today are 4,118. Unverified trip counts (no TIA) in the resulting "Developer's Plan" of the Charrette are estimated to be 17,000+ trips per day. This is a 313% increase over the current traffic count. Additional entrances/exits/turnarounds from MoPac to mitigate traffic impacts and bring safety due to significant traffic increases were not incorporated or attempted in the designs. The requirement to fund a pro rata share of traffic mitigation investment (by the Developer) was recognized and glossed over by the facilitator(s), but not enumerated. (OSM, Transportation, Objective 1 & 3)

3. Mass transit was not integrated or considered with any scalability. A single bus stop was incorporated into several designs. The prospective Lone Star Rail station was not incorporated in the plan designs at all. The one bus stop will not significantly reduce trips or accommodate the increase in additional office workers commuting to and from this development. Mass transit was largely ignored as a requirement to the design. (OSM, Transportation, Objective 4)

4. Heritage and Protected Trees to be preserved were not identified. There was no effort to disclose the impact to Protected Trees on all of the plans, despite the fact that architects and designer on the Charrette team had this key information at their disposal. The stated goal of 100% of Heritage Trees preserved in the creek gully and fronting of public roadways was not met. The "Developer's Plan" from the Charrette impacts 19 of the 71 Heritage Trees and 23 of the Protected Trees. This compares to 9 Heritage Trees impacted in the last PUD Land Use Plan submitted in the fall of 2015. (OSM, Environment, Objective 1)

5. Inaccurate portrayal of "Open Space" in the "Code Compliant Plan" option. During the Charrette, there was persistent confusion by the Charrette Facilitator in the representation of "Dedicated Parkland" as opposed to "Open Space." The Watershed "Open Space" is known to be over 3 acres and was considered as "Open Space" in all of the alternative plans, but reflected as "0 acres" in the "Open Space" summary for the Code Compliant Plan. This fostered a biased comparison to the public that did not recognize the benefit of "Open Space" in a code compliant plan having no added amenity cost. (OSM, Environment, Objective 4)

6. Heavy traffic and parking impacts were not disclosed with regard to certain entertainment and mixed uses, restaurants trips, and amphitheater parking. Handling of traffic and parking for these uses and amenities were not adequately disclosed, visualized in the designs presented, or taken into account by the designers and facilitator. (OSM, Economic, Objective 2)
7. **Code Compliant current zoning was not given equal treatment in the Charrette.** All "Code Compliant" plans presented were in fact *not* code compliant. During the course of the Charrette, design elements that would require a *variance*, waiver, or *rezoning* were *not* identified to the participants, as requested and agreed to by the Working Group and the Developer and the Developer's Agent(s) as stated in the OSM's. **Outside of the watershed, during the course of the Charrette, there was no meaningful effort made to consider and design "code compliant current zoning" with variances, and/or overlays, in order to maintain or maximize current zoning as a real option.** (OSM, Regulatory, Objective 1)

8. **Amenities as Trade-Offs.** It's worth noting that the Charrette facilitator(s) and design architects kept the focus of their presentations and any discussion on the mix of *land uses, heights and placement of amenities* as "upgrades for trade-offs" to bring about new entitlements and rezoning versus maximizing designs that leveraged *code compliant current zoning*, and *existing* entitlements. The *amenities* presented throughout the Charrette design week, in all options presented by the Developer and their agents, as either the "Recommended" or "Preferred Plan," might prompt a zoning change from the current zoning. (OSM, Regulatory, Objective 1)

**Integrity Problems with the Charrette Process**

There are over 10,000 households between Allandale, BCA, NSCNA, NWAN and NWACA communities surrounding Austin Oaks. Given that the "Developer's Plan" generated as the outcome of the Charrette week is seriously deficient in meeting the key OSM's agreed to by the Working Group participants, this is *not a consensus plan.*

The total Charrette process, including the information sessions, Vision & Values Workshops, and the Charrette design week itself, had 251 unique participants. On the fourth night of the Charrette when an unannounced vote took place between the "Developer's Plan" and the "Code Compliant Plan," there were only 86 attendees voting on the matter, with 6 attendees abstaining. Fifty-five (55) individuals voted in favor of the Developers' "Recommended Plan" after a marketing presentation highlighting the benefits of the Developer’s Recommended Plan and stressing the deficiencies of the "Code Compliant" plan. Discussion of the "Code Compliant" plan was not allowed, despite requests. Notably, of the Thursday evening attendees, 35 had not attended *any* previous sessions.

Further shortcomings that took place during the Charrette included the following:

- No open negotiation with the developer throughout the design process of the Charrette itself was allowed on total square footage.

- Participants were only able to vote on developer vetted proposals.

- It had been agreed to beforehand, by all members of the Working Group (including Spire), that the Design Team would meet each evening with the Working Group to review the day's input from participants. There was not any attempt to make these meetings happen. Reasons cited were tiredness and the facility being off limits. These end of day review sessions would have been important to maintaining integrity of the Charrette progress.

- From a process standpoint, from Monday through Wednesday, it was problematic for the Charrette facilitator and project managers to dismiss, *across the board*, the "unacceptable" votes in the feedback received from the Plans A, B, & C, expressly disclosed on Wednesday. It was also unacceptable for these facilitators to have dismissed on Thursday the votes that took place on Wednesday, particularly the vote on Residential uses.

- Inconsistencies were a theme. On Wednesday, facilitators communicated the proposed plans to be shown on Thursday would incorporate a significant amount of *additional office square-footage*, required by the owner to "pay for" *upgrades and amenities* designed into the options
by the architects. Participants requested the ability to vote on each amenity and its impacts on the additional square footage, once it was shown the next day. Specifically, it was asked that on Thursday a vote take place on each amenity. This was agreed; expectations were clear.

- Thursday, Charrette attendees were presented with a "Developer's Plan," which included an unidentified, but significant amount of additional height and square footage as office space, in order to "pay for" the amenities. When asked about the detailed costs and vote on each amenity, promised on Wednesday, to specify the terms of the additional associated square footage and height for the amenities, attendees were told that the facilitator(s) had "changed his/their mind." No details for each amenity were ever provided to the public. Instead a marketing presentation about "placemaking" ensued, and a vote was forced after vigorous public input:

54% of the participants in the entire process attended only a single meeting. Most significantly, there was no advance notice to the general public that a deciding vote would be taken on the fourth night of the Charrette. On the fifth day of the Charrette there was no facilitator present; only a repeat delivery of the marketing presentation.

Signed in agreement of NO CONFIDENCE by the Austin Oaks Charrette Working Group members of the following affected neighborhood associations:

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Appendix A

It is noteworthy to make some comparisons of the plan that did come out of the Charrette relative to the last Land Use Plan submitted in the Austin Oaks case:

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<td>Residential Sq. Ft./Units</td>
<td>300,000 sf (277 units)</td>
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<td>Daily Trips</td>
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*margin of error that Charrette architects said they were operating under; later in the Charrette stated to be +10% more trips per day, while the data stayed the same.

Not receiving much attention in the Charrette, the "Code Compliant" Plan was a total of 890,795 sf, mostly office, with some restaurant, ranging from 1 to 5 stories; with a low end of 12,000 trips per day, and only 7 Heritage trees impacted. The owner representative (Developer) indicated that that 890,795 sf would be economically feasible/profitable for them. No time was spent during the Charrette trying to interact, brainstorm with the public or to try to improve the "Code Compliant" Plan in terms of building layout locations, uses, building designs, tree locations, etc. as allowed within GR, LR, and LO current zoning of the property.

During Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, a total of 6 plans were evaluated, 5 out of 6 of them would likely result in a PUD. A 7th Plan, the "Code Compliant" Plan was never fully evaluated by and with the audience.
Appendix B

The following minutes of the Working Group meeting following the Austin Oaks Charrette offer some productive recommendations as to how to improve the results of the charrette:

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02-Feb-2016 Working Group meeting

Attendees: Joyce Statz, Shannon Meroney, Carol Dochen, Ben Luckens, Madelon Highsmith, Dan Germain, Vallarie Sinclair, Pam Snell, Jay Sands, Chris Edwards, Brian Brandon, Kata Carbone

Key points from our session:

While at least four of the attendees at the meeting are pleased with the charrette process and its outcome, eight Working Group members (and two others who sent negative analyses of the charrette via email) are disappointed in how the charrette was run, appearing to be skewed to the plan which emerged as the outcome of the charrette.

Most think that the plan using conventional zoning did not get the creative attention that was expected, based on expectations from a meeting where the charrette was first discussed, a session the group had after the last ZAP meeting, during initial Steering Committee meetings, during subsequent Working Group meetings, and throughout the charrette process. The plan was initially presented with underground parking—an impossible condition that doomed it from the start—and while that was changed to surface parking, it created a lack of trust in the process on the part of the majority of the Working Group. Removal of heritage and protected trees as presented in the initial plan was glossed over. Most think there was more focus on the amenities proposed (parks and treatment of the Foster branch of Shoal Creek), rather than on the critical 4 T’s (tall, traffic, trees, and t-schools).

Most (11 of 12) attendees agreed that the outcome of the charrette could be acceptable, but they would like to see a number of changes that more closely reflect results of the Vision & Values Workshops as well as overwhelming input from area neighbors prior to the charrette process to reduce densities and intensities of use that increase traffic.

This plan requires a PUD for implementation, a comment repeated several times, as we addressed components of the plan.

Chris Edwards led a round-table gathering of the key points each person was concerned about in making this plan viable.

- Everyone was concerned about the height of the buildings, most people interested in seeing the overall height limited to 5 stories, but willing to go to 6 along Mopac if heights
possible to put 5 to 6 stories in the 3 to 4 office buildings that can be built at the lowest elevations of this site outside of the 100 year floodplain, 5 stories otherwise along MoPac, and 3 to 4 stories in the 3 office buildings along Spicewood Springs and also get to Spire's stated total square footage requirement.--Editor's notes]]

The PUD documentation for the zoning change will also need to address the matter of an ADT (average daily trips) cap, which Ben described as likely to be based on ADT computed at the charrette, which was the same for both the Code Compliant Plan and the Preferred Plan (though usages were different).

All eleven members present at the end of the meeting agreed to work together on a negotiation with Spire to achieve a better outcome. The Working Group's goal is to bring the plan in line with what was expressed during the vision and values workshops to meet the OSMs that were developed publicly as a group. While the current plan generally follows the neighborhood input, it fails in terms of traffic and building height, two of the most important issues cited by participants.

Later in the week, Ben, Joyce, and Kata met with Michael Whellan and Jon Ruff (via telephone) to debrief them about the February 2nd meeting which they had missed. We discussed the items listed above, spending a good bit of time talking about the building heights along Mopac. A suggestion was made that a height limit based on the MSL height be investigated as one way to deal with the rather large differences in elevation along that side of the site to reduce the visual impact of the height, yet be able to have slightly higher buildings that provide superior site design and pay for community amenities. These ideas are being investigated by Jon and the design team. We expect a response within a week's time, and a speedy resolution to these final negotiations.

The rest of the working group was not aware of this meeting until the 02-Feb meeting minutes were disseminated, and there is concern that some neighborhood stakeholders are being weighted over others.

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Minutes taken by Joyce Statz and Kata Carbone

(As of Feb. 20, 2016, the Working Group is still waiting to hear from the developer on their response to the proposals from the Feb. 2, 2016, meeting.)
# AUSTIN OAKS REDEVELOPMENT CHARRETTE

## OBJECTIVES, STRATEGIES, AND MEASURES

*Draft - Version: 1/25/16 - to be further refined at the charrette*

**Objectives:** Definite, overarching goals that the Redevelopment Plan should abide by

**Strategies:** Recommended methods, often alternatives from different perspectives, that attempt to achieve the objectives. The strategies are not absolutes that must be achieved.

**Measures:** Potential ways to quantify the strategies

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<td>Traffic analysis should include: 1. Existing 2. Existing and projected 3. Existing, projected, and proposed.</td>
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<td>Create more intersections and smaller blocks to distribute turning motions and enhance walkability.</td>
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<td>Provide multi-modal opportunities that would relieve automobile traffic (i.e. bus transit, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, etc.)</td>
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<td>Provide good pedestrian/bike access throughout the site</td>
<td>Provide sidewalks leading to the front door of each building&lt;br&gt;Connect sidewalks to walking trails along site&lt;br&gt;Consider making Executive Center&lt;br&gt;Drive a pedestrian/bike-friendly &quot;Main Street&quot;</td>
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<td>Make pedestrian/bike improvements to access across Mopac, Spicewood and at key intersections</td>
<td>Add additional entrances/exits/turnarounds from Mopac&lt;br&gt;Implement pedestrian improvements at off-site intersections to enhance safety.&lt;br&gt;Consider a &quot;green cap&quot; on the street over the highway (precedent - Columbus, OH; Klyde Warren Park in Dallas)</td>
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<td>Integrate mass transit into Plan to reduce automobile traffic</td>
<td>Connect with existing and future transit lines/stops (i.e. Lone Star Rail station, Park n Ride)&lt;br&gt;Provide small-scale transportation options - Mini-bus; trolley; shuttle connecting to local bus system and destinations</td>
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<td>Conceal and/or limit surface parking for a more walkable environment</td>
<td>Create and allow on-street parking at internal streets (new and existing)&lt;br&gt;Impose maximum parking requirements rather than minimums&lt;br&gt;Provide parking incentives and reductions for electric vehicles and car-sharing&lt;br&gt;Screen parking lots and/or structures with appropriate landscaping and sufficient light-abatement</td>
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<td>Strive to retain 100% of heritage trees in the creek gulley and those fronting public ways</td>
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<td>If trees are removed, they should be replanted locally on site</td>
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<td>Identify the trees that are to be preserved, no matter when the redevelopment is done</td>
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<td>Protect waterway(s) on site, while improving stormwater runoff retention/detention</td>
<td>Use Low Impact Development (LID) stormwater techniques and use this as an opportunity for value creation (lake, wetlands, rain gardens etc.)</td>
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<td>Minimize impact of runoff from this site to the surrounding neighborhoods</td>
<td>If needed for building permit, conduct a geological soil and strata assessment</td>
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<td>Create more parks and open spaces</td>
<td>Establish an open space framework/network and design each one beautifully</td>
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<td>Consider including diverse open spaces (community gardens, playgrounds, plazas, pocket parks, athletic fields, habitats for birds and butterflies, etc.)</td>
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<td>2. Provide a mix of uses on site</td>
<td>Include housing that can be for-sale or rental in the Plan</td>
<td>Test extremes of housing in the design alternatives (i.e. no residential to housing for a range of types)</td>
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<td>Include office in the Plan</td>
<td>Take traffic impacts into account when considering entertainment uses (traffic counts generated and reduced)</td>
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<td>Include entertainment destinations in the Plan (i.e. small amphitheatre; restaurants; boutique hotel; limited bars)</td>
<td>Test alternative sites for concentrating entertainment uses</td>
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<td>Attract 5-star restaurants and a neighborhood scale, small-format grocery store (Sprouts, Trader Joes, etc.) to the site to service the local neighborhoods</td>
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|   | Create opportunities for small and local businesses to serve the local neighborhoods | Prevent development of big box stores | Attract neighborhood-scale services with an emphasis on local businesses
|   | | Provide a range of neighborhood services (i.e. banks, daycare, dry cleaners etc.) | Attract neighborhood-scale services with an emphasis on local businesses
|   | | Provide opportunities for an evening draw in mixed-use areas (coffee shop, bar, restaurant) | Preserve the conditional permit for loud uses after midnight in designated areas
| 4 | Build out development in phases | Create a phasing plan, based on buildings that have longer-term leases | |
| 5 | Mitigate adverse impact on school districts and prevent overcrowding | Consider opening a new school in the neighborhood; rezoning current school boundaries | |
|   | | Redistrict the school boundary so that this property is in schools that are not overcrowded schools | |
|   | | Create a fund that generates money for neighborhood schools (i.e. Doss, Murchinson, etc.); consider the cost and reflect it in the design | |

**REGULATORY**

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<td>1 Agree on what the development should be and figure out how to deliver/enforce the vision.</td>
<td>Keep current zoning - No PUD</td>
<td>Consider creating a TIRZ to generate funds for public improvements</td>
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<td>Consider all possible zoning and implementation alternatives, including a PUD</td>
<td>During the Charrette, identify any design element that requires a variance, waiver, or rezoning</td>
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<td>Allow current zoning with variances - variances exist to address unique considerations which this site has a lot of - refusal of variances may not produce the best outcome</td>
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<td>2 Create a Plan that is consistent with the Imagine Austin framework</td>
<td>Comply with IA framework</td>
<td>Development in this area must be of a scale that serves the neighborhood; Imagine Austin guidance is that Neighborhood Centers generally have 5,000 to 10,000 people; 2,500 to 7,000 jobs</td>
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<td>Create a plan and adopt standards that are strictly enforceable</td>
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<td>Maintain water pressure for neighbors</td>
<td>Comply with Austin City Water requirements (dealt with when the site plan is reviewed)</td>
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<td>Consider adoption of established professional standards (complete streets, LEED-ND, LEED-NC, etc.)</td>
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### CULTURE

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<td>1 Allow for aging-in-place</td>
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<td>Provide a range of amenities on-site that are easily accessible</td>
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<td>2 Create places for gathering that encourage play/music/dance and art (Precedent - Central Market Green space)</td>
<td>Consider locating park/public space at the highest point on the site</td>
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<td>Allow sidewalk cafes</td>
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<td>Create opportunities for civic art in public places (i.e. Sculptures, art, murals along walkways, art galleries)</td>
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<td>Create venues for music such as indoor/open air amphitheatre and bandshell (&quot;Blues on the Green&quot;)</td>
<td>Consider impact of uses on traffic and noise</td>
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<td>Include a space for a farmer's market in the Plan</td>
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|   | Keep "Austin" culture - good for developer, the city, and residents | Recruit local businesses |   |
|   | Don't make AO look like Houston or the Domain |   |

### EQUITY

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<td>1 Create multi-generational housing for a mix of incomes</td>
<td>Include diverse housing types as part of the Plan</td>
<td>% set-aside for affordable housing; Provide full cycle of housing by achieving 3 credits in LEED-ND Housing Diversity Credit</td>
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<td>Create a Seniors living center</td>
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|   | Maintain or enhance property values | Create amenities on site that will make Austin Oaks a desirable place to live in | Create elements that are comparable to the quality of the neighborhoods |

|   | Provide ADA Accessible housing | Incorporate ADA requirements into building/site design | Comply with COA requirements |
Dear Dan,

I am in receipt of the letter you sent dated March 11, 2016, through the "AO Charrette" email that you control. Please circulate this response to the same recipients, whether copied or blind-copied.

As you know, the Working Group identified for me possible consultants to facilitate the Design Charrette that was held during the week of January 25th. The Working Group selected Doug Farr, a nationally recognized architect who regularly facilitates and conducts design charrettes throughout the United States. We all recognized that hiring a professional would mean that we would be relying on that professional's judgment and experience to conduct the charrette and develop a Preferred Plan. We also knew that design charrettes are fluid processes that require flexibility, and that we would rely on Mr. Farr's vast experience to lead the community through the effort and implement processes that responded to the circumstances.

One thing that Doug Farr repeatedly made clear to all the participants in the charrette was that trade-offs would be a necessary part of the process. On the first day of the charrette, the Objectives, Strategies, and Measures ("OSMs") were updated to reflect this very point. For example, in connection with height, one of the strategies was to "isolate height to be along MoPac" and one of the measures was to "Test various building heights in the design alternatives considering tradeoffs." The preliminary definition of the strategies itself says: "The strategies are not absolutes that must be achieved."

In contrast to your views, many others believe that the Preferred Plan conforms to the OSMs and achieves an appropriate balance between competing interests, especially traffic, height, and trees, and sets forth a vision for superior place-making that goes beyond compliance with existing code. Nevertheless, despite my disagreement with your assessment, as I stated at our March 1st meeting, I have shared your concerns with the design team.

As previously stated, as soon as the design team has completed a land use plan and regulating plan, and prior to filing this updated plan with the City, I intend to meet with your group (which, consequently, is not the Working Group; that has been disbanded, as the Project Manager has made clear) and other neighborhood stakeholders to update everyone on the changes to the Preferred Plan following such refinement. I expect this will be at least another four weeks from now.

Respectfully,

Jon M. Ruff  
President  
SPIRE
Council Members, Zap Commissioners, City Staff,

Please find attach a copy of the letter sent to Jon Ruff/Spire by the Austin Oaks PUD Charrette Working Group members signatory to the No Confidence Letter, as well as resolutions from the North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association, Williamsburg HOA, and Balcones Civic Association opposing the developers plans coming out of the charrette. More resolutions opposing the plan are in process and we will share them with you as soon as they have been ratified by the appropriate groups.

Please include these in the case backup materials - C814-2014-0120 – Austin Oaks PUD
11 March 2016

Mr. Jon Ruff
Spire Realty
2001 Bryan Street, Suite 1550
Dallas, TX 75201-3005

Subject: Next Steps Austin Oaks Rezoning

Dear Jon,

This is a follow up letter to our March 1, 2016 Working Group meeting at the Austin Oaks offices in Austin, TX, during which you stated that, at your direction, TBG Partners started designing the Austin Oaks PUD based on the plan unveiled at the charrette. You also stated that you will not ask TBG to deviate from that plan as requested by the Working Group majority on February 2, 2016 to incorporate changes that would achieve the Objectives, Strategies and Measures (OSM’s). Your statement indicates an unwillingness to work with the greater community, but we are obliged to make every effort to work with you on behalf of the neighbors we represent.

A show of hands at our meeting this week confirmed that your design team, your lobbyist and some NWACA members were aware that a vote would be taken on Thursday, January 28, 2016, yet fifty-five (55) neighbors voted in favor. This is not a consensus plan, but we believe a timely consensus plan is achievable.

The Working Group is not disbanded. And true to the charrette expectations set forth, the Working Group is to remain engaged until the formal application is made to the city. To that end, it is not our desire to micromanage components of the plan, and we remain flexible. We ask that height, square footage, traffic and trees align with the OSM’s developed during the four-month charrette process, and not those presented during an unannounced vote on a single evening.

We are expressing our continued interest and best efforts to work together toward a true consensus plan. We believe a plan that respects the OSM’s developed by the neighbors is attainable, and hope that you do also.

We look forward to hearing from you and working with you to develop the Austin Oaks project without delay.

Sincerely,

Chris Edwards
Jay Sands
Kara Carbone
Kathy Vermillion
Brian Brandon
Valarie Sinclair
Dan Germain
Pam Snell
Ken Sinclair
Madelon Highsmith

cc: Michael Whellan, CM Sheri Gallo, GM Leslie Pool, Tori Haase, Jerry Ruhthoven
RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED AUSTIN OAKS PUD

WHEREAS, North Shoal Creek residents participated in good faith in the charrette process that included the Vision and Values Workshops, Stakeholders Interview, and the charrette design week that was held from January 25, 2016 until January 29, 2016, and;

WHEREAS, NSNCA had representation on the Working Group which was intended to support and guide this process, and;

WHEREAS, the Working Group developed an Objectives, Strategies and Measures (OSMs) document derived from the input from neighborhood participants at the Vision and Value Workshop to help guide and measure the success of the design process, and;

WHEREAS, the Working Group was not given the opportunity to take the feedback from neighbors attending the charrette to relay to the design team on a daily basis as scheduled, and;

WHEREAS, the Code Compliant Plan was presented as an alternative to the Recommended Plan but was not treated with the same scrutiny as any other plan presented during the design week, and;

WHEREAS, NSCNA specifically told the charrette leader that the traffic impact was NSCNA’s most important priority to be addressed, and city staff acknowledge that this proposed redevelopment will definitely have an impact on traffic in the neighborhood areas across Mopac from this development including Anderson Lane, and;

WHEREAS, the proposed traffic impact analysis would not cover any adjoining neighborhoods, including NSCNA, and;

WHEREAS, the resulting height along Mopac from the design of seven stories would set a new precedent in height for the Mopac corridor south of Texas State Highway 183 and north of Capital of Texas Highway, and;

WHEREAS, the solution proposed for adding additional residents to an overcrowded Doss Elementary School was to redistrict the Austin Oaks parcel so that the residents would be reassigned to an overcrowded Pillow Elementary School, and;
WHEREAS, the development plan that was adopted was not the one that saves the maximum number of heritage and protected trees per the OSMs, and;

WHEREAS, the result of this design process does not substantially improve on the previous PUD request that was already voted down by the general membership;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association Board of Directors does not support the results of the charrette process.

This 9th day of March, 2016.

Amelia Cobb  
President  
North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association
WILLIAMSBURG HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED AUSTIN OAKS PUD

Whereas, Williamsburg Homeowners Association is a townhome community located at the intersection of Spicewood Springs and Greenslope (2 1/4 blocks from Austin Oaks), and;

Whereas, the WHOA has been apprised of the developments between the Austin Oaks developer, Spire, and the working group’s efforts to mitigate the size of his proposed PUD at Austin Oaks, and;

Whereas, the intersection at Spicewood Springs and Mopac is a FAILED intersection due to excessive traffic congestion, and Austin Oaks PUD, as proposed, would bring an added 12,000 to 16,000 traffic trips per day, and;

Whereas, the traffic conditions create a dangerous condition for the residents at WHOA, many who are elderly, delaying their access to their own homes, and;

Whereas, the developer’s plan for Austin Oaks exceeds the desired height and square footage in the objectives, strategies and measures spelled out by the neighborhood working groups over the last five months, and;

Whereas, the AO plan from this developer could set a bad precedent along Mopac, in North West Hills, for other developments of significant height and added unsafe traffic congestion, and;

Whereas, the developer has stated he will not direct the Austin Oaks design team to incorporate the revisions requested to the Austin Oaks plan by the working group, potentially making the design more amenable to our WHOA, and;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Williamsburg Homeowners Association opposes the SPIRE developer’s plan to develop a PUD at Austin Oaks.

This 4th day of March, 2016

David Robertson

President, Williamstown Homeowners’ Association
Austin Oaks Preferred Plan
February 16, 2016

Richard Grayum on behalf of the BCA Board

The Austin Oaks Redevelopment recently concluded their Charrette that many of you participated in or have followed in the news. We would like to thank everyone that participated in the Charrette. The land planners, designers, engineers, developers, elected officials, City staff, volunteers and attendees all spent time to use this opportunity to make our neighborhood better and we thank them. We would especially like to thank the two Balcones Civic Association (BCA) members that represented us in the Working Group meetings.

The Charrette was fast and furious with site plan designs that changed drastically from one night to the next. At the end of the Charrette, a “preferred plan” was delivered. The BCA Board is not in agreement with this preferred plan and has passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Balcones Civic Association participated in the Austin Oaks Charrette with the understanding that the neighborhoods were in charge of steering the process, and;

Whereas the Charrette process did not adequately address traffic and height concerns from the Balcones Civic Association Neighborhood Association, and;

Whereas several statements made during the Charrette were misleading, i.e. The “code compliant plan” including a large amount of office medical and no residential, thus not requiring parkland dedication and raising traffic counts abnormally high for their baseline condition.

Whereas any change in the height restrictions on Mopac will set precedence throughout the Balcones Civic Association boundaries.

Therefore the Balcones Civic Association respectfully requests Spire Realty and representatives to meet and discuss amenity options and trade-offs in a good faith effort to satisfactorily resolve our differences.
Attached is a letter in support of the proposed Austin Oaks PUD extension.

Ben Luckens, AICP
Luckens Planning Consultants, Inc.
707-616-0608
Chair and Members of the Zoning and Platting Commission

I am out of town and will not be able to attend the March 15, 2016 meeting to speak on the proposed extension of the Austin Oaks PUD case. I am writing to ask that you grant the extension.

I served as the volunteer project manager for the recently concluded Austin Oaks charrette. I do not work for Spire Realty or any of its consultants and I do not speak for them. I am a member of the Northwest Civic Association but I do not speak for that organization.

I took on the task of organizing the Austin Oaks charrette because I believe that an open and collaborative design process leads to a better result than what comes out of years of seemingly endless negotiations. We conducted the charrette from January 25-29 and the plan that was presented at the conclusion of the charrette was demonstrably superior to a plan showing what the owner could build under existing entitlements and superior to designs previously presented to the neighborhoods. Simply put, we had a successful charrette.

Now that the charrette is over we are back to the Zoning and Platting Commission and resuming the PUD zoning process. It's my understanding that the charrette design team is working on PUD zoning submittal materials. This process takes time and I ask that you grant an extension to the pending zoning case so the designers and engineers have time to complete their task and for City staff to review the new submittal materials.

As we enter into this phase of the process, my goal and the goal of a number of us in the neighborhood is to ensure that the intent of the charrette plan and the key features of that plan get into the zoning documents and associated drawings. I'm looking forward to having some input into that process.

Please call or e-mail me if you have any questions.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: March 15, 2016, Zoning and Platting Commission

[Handwritten Comment]

7630 Wood Hollow Dr # 217

Your Name (please print) Mary Merissey

Your address(es) affected by this application Mary Merissey 3/8/16

Daytime Telephone: 512-826-4082

Comments: I’m not a big WD fan, larger complexes bring more people to an already highly populated area.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin
Planning & Zoning Department
Tori Haase
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
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James Wiseman & Elizabeth Fletcher
Your Name (please print)
7630 Wood Hollow Drive #306
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature 3/9/16
Date

Daytime Telephone: (512) 291-4135
Comments: We have been and still are, highly opposed to this development. What effect will it have on the existing resident wildlife? Are the trees and wildlife species on the land that they plan to build on? Not the way this land should be used.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
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Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: March 15, 2016, Zoning and Platting Commission

Christy L. Norman Perez
Your Name (please print)
7910 Cherry Dr
Your address(es) affected by this application

Christy L. Norman Perez
Signature
3/15/16
Date
Daytime Telephone: 512 340 0540
Comments: Our infrastructure (primarily roads) cannot support the proposed development. Sperreng SP is already a heavily traveled road for a residential area. I also am concerned with losing so many trees.

Furthermore, since the current buildings sit on a hill and are visible from my house, I do not want taller ones built in their place.

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Katie Tonsignor
Your Name (please print)

3524 Greystone Dr Apt 152
Your address(es) affected by this application

I am in favor
I object

Signature
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-403-9533

Comments: I live next door in what is currently a quiet lovely neighborhood. Rezoning would allow so much development that would not only ruin the feel of the neighborhood but also significantly increase traffic.

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Vallarie Sinclair
[Signature]

Your Name (please print)
7901 Ceberry Dr

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

3/16

Daytime Telephone: 512-519-0964

Comments: No PUD zoning! The post-newsite plan is worse on trees than the original PUD plans. Fails on traffic. Fails on height. PUD zoning sets a dangerous precedent for the area. Austin as a whole. PUD allows nearly naked, unplanned development by commercial developers limits/eliminates stakeholder input going forward.

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KENNETH SINCLAIR

Your Name (please print)

7901 CE Berry Drive

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

3/6/16

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-633-6588

Comments: CURRENT ZONING ALLOWS THOUGHTFUL AND APPROPRIATE BUILD AND DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PROPERTY. A SHIFT TO P.O.D. DESIGNATION WOULD OPEN THE FLOOD GATES TO DENSITY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ISSUES THAT CURRENT INFRASTRUCTURE CANNOT SUPPORT. THIS DEVELOPMENT SITS IN A SENSITIVE AREA A LARGE POPULATED BY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTS AND SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO MULTIPLY DENSITY IMPACT.

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Your Name (please print)
RICKARD BAIRD

7406 SHADOW HILL

I am in favor

I object

Your address(es) affected by this application
Blad

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone:
(512) 346-0955

Comments:

I think that this will literally ruin what now is a Beautiful northwest Hills and it is a tragic end that Hopefully will not happen because of greed

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Patsy McLemore
Your Name (please print)

8104 Raftree Place Austin, TX 78757
Your address(es) affected by this application

Patsy McLemore 3-10-16
Signature Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-345-3677

Comments: My husband and I have lived for 45 years in this neighborhood between Brackenridge and Hyde Park Dr. When we moved here, we were greeted with two grocery stores and drug stores, or a fire station. We welcomed the building of Austin and Murdochian school, Mopac, Black and many smaller developments added to the neighborhood. We love this area, and are opposed to the rezoning change proposed for the southwest corner of Woodlake Springs and Mopac.

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CGF, LP

3708 Spicewood Springs Rd

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: (512) 346-3647

Comments: too dense, traffic is already bad at these intersections. Current roads are designed for residential use not commercial, won't be able to handle the volume.

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FRANKLIN CHEN
8000 CARDIN DR.

Your Name (please print)

Signature

3/7/16

Date

Daytime Telephone: (512) 346-3647

Comments: The MU will create unmanageable traffic patterns to the entire neighborhood. This is after reviewing the new proposed rendition.

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MARY ALICE KERR
Your Name (please print)

3700 HIDDEN HOLLOW, AUSTIN, TEXAS, 78731
Your address(es) affected by this application

Mary Alice Kerr
Signature

3-8-2016
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-345-8791
Comments: Please vote NO CHANGE for the zoning of Executive Center Drive and West Hollow Drive. I live just across the street at the corner of Hart Lane and Hidden Hollow. My driveway exits onto Hart Lane. Traffic is already a problem. We don’t need more. Vote against any change.

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Samantha Hakemian
Your Name (please print)

3600 Greystone Dr. #106
Your address(es) affected by this application

Sec C
Signature 3/67/2016
Date

Daytime Telephone: (561) 866-3332

Comments: The traffic on Wood hollow Drive and Mapac service road is already dangerous. Adding hundreds of additional drivers to this already packed neighborhood would be hazardous to our many pedestrians and would not be sustainable with current traffic patterns. This small area was not built to accommodate so many people; it couldn’t handle hundreds or over a thousand more.

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CAROLYN GOLDSTON

Your Name (please print)

3521 STARLINE DR.

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Daytime Telephone: 512-338-0710

Comments: This is too close to the

SPRING and traffic would be

terrible.

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Durante la audiencia pública, la comisión podrá postergar o continuar audiencia del caso en una fecha futura, o puede evaluar la recomendación de los oficiales municipales y las del público al mismo tiempo mandando su recomendación al cabildo municipal. Si la comisión anuncia una fecha y hora específica para postergar o continuar discusión, y no se extiende más de 60 días, no tendrá obligación de otra notificación pública.

El cabildo municipal, durante su audiencia pública, puede otorgar o negar una petición de zonificación, rezonificar el terreno a una clasificación de zonificación menos intensiva que lo que es pedida. En ningún caso se otorgara una clasificación de zonificación más intensiva de la petición.

Para otorgar un desarrollo de usos urbanos mixtos, el cabildo municipal puede agregar la designación USO MIXTO (MU) DISTRITO COMBINADO, Mixed-use (MU) Combining District, a ciertos usos urbanos de comercio. La designación MU- Distrito Combinado simplemente permite usos urbanos residenciales en adición a los usos ya permitidos el los siete distritos con zonificación para comercio. Como resultado, la designación MU- Distrito Combinado, otorga la combinación de oficinas, comercio, y usos urbanos residenciales en el mismo sitio.

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Numero de caso: C814-2014-0120
Persona designada: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Audiencia Publica: March 15, 2016, Zoning and Platting Commission

CAROLYN H. GOLDSTON
Su nombre (en letra de molde)
3521 STARLINE DR. 78759
Su domicilio(s) afectado(s) por esta solicitud

Firma
Fecha
March 6, 2016

Daytime Telephone:
512 (338-0710)
Comments: This is too close to the Spicewood Springs!

Si usted usa esta forma para proveer comentarios, puede retornarlos:
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Margaret Chalmers
Your Name (please print)
3809 Spicewood Springs Rd. #1140
Your address(es) affected by this application

Margaret Chalmers
Signature
3/05/2016 Date
Daytime Telephone: 512-345-6849

Comments: Developer has shown lack of real concern for neighborhood impact. Buildings are still too high, not placed as promised; Heritage trees are not preserved in the plan; Development is too dense, impacting traffic and character of the area; Misleading and unclear communications on part of the developer; Amenities don’t begin to compensate for the negative impact the Austin Oaks PLD will have on the area and ultimately the entire MOPAC corridor.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: March 15, 2016, Zoning and Platting Commission

Sue Hill / Tim Hill

I am in favor

I object

Your Name (please print)

3701 Green Trl, Austin, TX 78731

Signature

Daytime Telephone: 512-426-1286

Comments: We are across the street from the proposed PUD and are hopeful that the developer will build within the confines of the current zoning laws. We do NOT look forward to the 300-500 % increase in traffic or the tall buildings. Thank you for your consideration.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin
Planning & Zoning Department
Tori Haase
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
Comments received prior to 2016 Charrette addressing original application.
Within the City of Austin, the Planning Department oversees the development process. For additional information on the City of Austin’s land use and zoning regulations, visit the city’s website.

The MUZONING District, in conjunction with the Mixed Use (MU) district, allows for a combined use of office, retail, commercial, and residential uses. As a result, the MU Zoning District allows for the combination of office, retail, and residential uses in certain commercial districts. The MU Zoning District may add the Mixed Use (MU) District.

However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the Planning Commission reviews applications for mixed use development. During the public hearing, the Planning Commission may adopt the findings of the public hearing, and any amendments or denials of the application.

Your Name (please print):

Date:

Your address (please print):

If you object to the proposal, please call 214-749-6791 or write to

The City of Austin, Planning Department

Public Hearing: July 7, 2015

Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, 7:00 PM

Case Number: C814-4014-020

If you object to the proposal, please call 214-749-6791 or write to

The City of Austin, Planning Department

Public Hearing: July 7, 2015
help://www.austintexas.gov/planning

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Within a single development, combination of office, retail, commercial, and residential uses is permitted. As a result, the MLU Combining District allows the placing of those uses already allowed in the seven commercial zoning districts to those uses already allowed in the seven commercial zoning districts. This allows residential uses in addition to commercial uses to be combined in certain commercial districts. The MLU Combining District may add the Mixed Use (MU) Combining District only in order to allow for mixed use development, the

However, in certain public hearings, the City Council may grant an exception to this application for a public hearing. The board of commission may

from the announcement, no further action is required.

The announcement of a specific development that is not later than 60 days

If the Council enacts the zoning recommendation, the City Council or the

Public hearing: June 16, 2015, Zoning and Planning Commission

If you have any questions or concerns about this projection, you may contact the Neighborhood Planning Commission at 924-9741. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Neighborhood Planning Commission at 924-9741.

When comments must be submitted to the board of commission or the

This zoning/rezoning request will be reviewed and accessed upon

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION
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1. Issue: The proposed rezoning from Commercial to Mixed Use (NU) Combining District may add the Mixed Use (NU) Combining District to certain Commercial districts. The NU Combining District may add the Mixed Use (NU) Combining District to certain Commercial districts.

2. Notice: On June 10, 2015, the Zoning and Planning Commission received a request for a public hearing. The request was made by Carol Ann Young. The request was to change the zoning from Commercial to Mixed Use (NU) Combining District.

3. Purpose: The purpose of the public hearing is to allow for mixed use development, the City Council may grant a more intensive zoning district on a case-by-case basis. However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the City Council may grant a more intensive zoning district on a case-by-case basis.

4. Date: The public hearing is scheduled for June 16, 2015. The hearing will be held at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers.

5. Location: The hearing will be held at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers.

6. Contact: For more information, please contact Carol Ann Young at (512) 340-4015.

7. Adjacency: This rezoning request will be reviewed and acted upon by the City Council. Although adjacent properties may be affected, the City Council will consider the impact on the surrounding area.

8. Notice: This notice is to inform the public of the proposed rezoning and to provide an opportunity for public input.

9. Hearing: The public hearing is scheduled for June 16, 2015. The hearing will be held at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers.
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helplines.austintx.gov/development

Within a single development district, a rezoning request may be submitted to the Board of Adjustment for an office, retail, commercial, and residential uses. As a result, the MLU Combining District is not an appropriate option for these uses. However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the MLU Combining District may be used in certain commercial districts. The MLU Combining District may also be used in a rezone or a less intensive zoning request. Reserve the land to a less intensive zoning request. Reserve the land to a less intensive zoning request. Reserve the land to a less intensive zoning request.

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During the public hearing, the board or commission may also request the issuance of an application in an application.

You may also request a neighborhood or environmental review of the project. If you would like a neighborhood or environmental review of the project, you may submit comments to the City Council. Although applications and/or their comments are reviewed by the City Council, written comments must be submitted to the board or commission on the project.

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NORTHWEST AUSTIN CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD RESOLUTION
June 10, 2015

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE AUSTIN OAKS PUD APPLICATION (Case Number C814-2014-0120) AND REQUEST FOR A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR ALL COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS AND THE DEVELOPER

WHEREAS, the developer of the Austin Oaks property (AO) located at Executive Center Drive and Wood Hollow Drive, has submitted modifications to its Planned Unit Development district (PUD) application for AO; and,

WHEREAS, the Northwest Austin Civic Association (NWACA) Board has received and extensively reviewed all of the developer’s submissions, including the April 2015 proposal modification; and,

WHEREAS, the NWACA Board has conducted online and written surveys of its residents seeking input related to the AO PUD application; and,

WHEREAS, consistent with the first survey, 81.8% of respondents to the last survey voted in opposition to the December 2014 version of the Rezoning Application, 4.6% voted in support, and 13.6% voted neutral; and,

WHEREAS, the April 2015 modifications do not adequately address the concerns of NWACA residents regarding (in alphabetic order):
  • Building height
  • Consistency with Imagine Austin
  • Density
  • Impact on schools
  • Impact on trees/environment
  • Traffic impact; and,

WHEREAS, the community has specifically and clearly asked for a credible, inclusive and meaningful way to get specific, detailed questions answered regarding the redevelopment of AO; and,

WHEREAS, the NWACA Board has specifically asked both the developer and Council Member Sheri Gallo to host a collaborative and inclusive model of community engagement and input as has been used successfully by prior city council members and other developers of properties in other parts of Austin;

NOW THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NWACA BOARD OF DIRECTORS that the NWACA Board of Directors reaffirm its opposition to the Rezoning Application Case Number C814-2014-0120, with current modifications; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NWACA Board of Directors requests that the City of Austin host and the developer fund a charrette process designed to:

(a) bring together all stakeholder groups to have a meaningful and impactful discussion regarding the Austin Oaks property;

(b) educate the neighborhood about the zoning and development process and what is possible at the Austin Oaks site;

(c) provide for facilitated working sessions to discuss ideas and review design proposals, to develop consensus on a workable approach, and to document a proposed design; and,

(d) provide input for moving forward with the formal City review process.

ADOPTED: June 10, 2015
NWACA Board
To: City of Austin Zoning and Platting Commissioners
From: NW Austin Neighborhoods
Date: June 15, 2015
Re: Case # C814-2014-0120
   Location: Executive Center Drive & Wood Hollow Drive
   Owner: Twelve Lakes LLC
   Applicant: Drenner Group
   Proposed Zoning Change: From LO, SF-3, LR, GR to PUD

The Allandale Neighborhood Association, Balcones Civic Association, and North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association boards request that rezoning case C814-2014-0120 be denied.

The first postponement of this case was granted in December 2014. Since then, the area neighborhoods and the Drenner Group (representing Twelve Lakes LLC) have not reached agreement on the critical issues of:
• Building height and density
• Traffic
• Impact on schools
• Trees and the environment
• Consistency with Imagine Austin

In an April 2015 survey of residents by the Northwest Austin Civic Association, 81.8% of respondents expressed opposition to the PUD. Hundreds of “Stop the PUD” yard signs blanketed the neighborhoods. In response, the Drenner Group conducted a push poll in an attempt to sway public opinion.

The neighborhoods are not opposed to development. Imagine Austin identifies Far West Blvd. between MoPac and Chimney Corners as a Neighborhood Center—the smallest of the three mixed-use centers and more locally focused than the Regional and Town Centers. This area was zoned Vertical Mixed Use without neighborhood opposition.

Anderson Lane is an Imagine Austin activity corridor, and Anderson Lane Station at the northeast corner of MoPac at Anderson Lane/Spicewood Springs Road is identified as a Neighborhood Center. In terms of height and density, the Austin Oaks PUD alone exceeds the scale of a Neighborhood Center. Yet if, as the Drenner Group is arguing, the Neighborhood Center includes all four corners, then the densities and intensities of use for the entire intersection would be grossly exceeded. The developer is asking for a privilege not enjoyed by other property owners nor consistent with Imagine Austin, and it seeks to set a precedent for unbridled development along MoPac.

The Drenner Group has scheduled meetings on June 11 and June 15 to gather community input, which leaves insufficient time for area residents to ascertain whether their recommendations will be incorporated before the ZAP hearing on June 16. Our neighborhoods oppose another postponement to this inappropriate PUD rezoning request and asks the Zoning and Platting commissioners to deny it now.

Thank you for your consideration.
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Within the single development combination of office, retail, commercial, and residential uses, combination district allows for the distinction. As a result, the NM Combining District allows for the addition of those uses deemed allowed in the recent commercial zoning to those uses deemed allowed in the residential uses in addition to certain commercial districts. The NM Combining District may add the MIXED USE (MU) combining zone.

However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the heart of our community. I have a young, female president, and a

date: 07/11/2013

Your address (e) affected by this application:

I am in favor

Molly Gardens 3801 Redwood Springs Rd. 78739

PUBLIC HEARING: July 7, 2013, Zoning and Planning Commission

Contact: 214-997-6735

Case Number: 605-038-07-01
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Within a single development, the combination of office, retail, commercial, and residential uses is allowed as long as the uses already allowed in the seven commercial zoning districts. The Mixed Use (MU) Zoning District may also allow residential uses in addition to the uses already allowed in the seven commercial zoning districts. The MU Zoning District is used to designate areas where densities are reduced to provide more neighborhood character and to encourage mixed use development. However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the Council must determine that the benefits of mixed use development outweigh the potential negative effects on the neighborhood.

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PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

You may also contact a neighborhood organization for additional information on the proposed development. You may also contact the Austin Planning and Development Department for additional information on the proposed development. You may also contact the City Planning and Development Department for additional information on the proposed development.

Letter of Support:

I support the proposed development.

[Signature]

[Date]

3100 North Alamo Street
Austin, TX 78701

[Case Number: 21-0120]

[City/County: Travis]

[Type of Development: Mixed Use]

[Application Date: 7-15-2013]

I support the proposed development.

[Signature]

[Date]

3100 North Alamo Street
Austin, TX 78701

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[Date]

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

August 17, 2015

I'm writing to oppose the rezoning of the Austin Oaks property to a Planned Unit Development.

Existing zoning or conventional zoning is adequate for all the uses the developer is proposing. How is the proposed PUD which increases the density 300% (446,091 sf to 1,280,000 sf), the height 300% (2 & 3-story buildings to 6-, 7-, 8- and 10-story buildings), and the traffic almost 400% (4,118 trips to ~16,000 trips) compatible with the neighborhood?

What would the impact on the intersection of Mopac & Spicewood Springs Road/Anderson Lane be if a Neighborhood Center of 10,000 people was developed on Spicewood Springs Road and Mopac and another Neighborhood Center, the Anderson Station Neighborhood Center, was built on Anderson Lane and Mopac? Can this “intersection” support two Neighborhood Centers of 20,000 people?

Density, by its very nature, assumes walkability, bikability and transit. The site has sidewalks and bike lanes now. It will have sidewalks and bike lanes with the PUD. The one thing neither the existing site nor the PUD will have is high frequency, high capacity transit. For that, we’ll have to walk .7 of a mile over to Anderson Lane and Shoal Creek, if it ever gets urban rail.

For these reasons, I see nothing superior about the proposed Austin Oaks PUD.

Sincerely,

Robert Stephens

3601 Brownwood Dr.
Austin, TX 78747

Cc: Tori Haase, tori.haase@austintexas.gov, please insert in the “Back-up”
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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Cynthia Jane Brown
Your Name (please print)
7811 Wood Hollow Apt #124
Your address(es) affected by this application
Signature

Daytime Telephone: 903-819-2911 Date: 6-25-2015

Comments: The traffic on Mopac Ex Spicewood Springs Rd would be increased by too much. Spicewood Springs has collisions coming out of the neighborhood on the south side already. Most of the land is in use productively.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
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Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Veronica Miller

Your Name (please print)

7600 Wood Hollow Dr #309

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

6-23-15

Daytime Telephone: (512) 471-3284

Comments: I strongly oppose the proposed development. The "condo-ization" of Austin has to stop. The effects on traffic and population density are too great.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Margaret Chalmers
Your Name (please print)
3809 Spicewood Point Springs Rd #116 D
Your address(es) affected by this application
Margaret Chalmers
Signature
6/23/15
Date

Daytime Telephone: __________________________

Comments: ________________________________

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Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Charles Brown

I am in favor
☑ I object

Your Name (please print)
3432 Gregs

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512 695-4442

Comments: My home address at 4028 Enclave Mesa Drive will also be negatively impacted by this project

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
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Planning & Zoning Department
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Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Your Name (please print)
Jon Morgan

Your address(es) affected by this application
1803 Heathercrest Dr.

Signature 6/12/15

Daytime Telephone: 512-771-4248

Comments: SEE ATTACHED

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
City of Austin
Planning & Zoning Department
Tori Haase
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
6/15/2015

City of Austin
Planning & Zoning Department
Tori Haase

RE: Case # C814-2014-0120 (Austin Oaks PUD)
Public Hearing: June 16, 2015

Ms. Haase,

I was born and raised in Austin and I’m sick of all these Californians and New Yorkers (and everyone else) moving here and ruining what made Austin great. Can’t we just build a wall to keep them all out? (that’s sarcasm, but maybe wishful thinking with a slight hint of seriousness). Actually, I’m all for progress and development when it’s done right and fits the context of the surrounding area.

I live within 500 feet of the proposed Austin Oaks PUD, literally under the shadows of the proposed 10 story towers, in Green Trails across Hart Lane.

The proposal to redevelop Austin Oaks with the PUD designation is wrong for the surrounding neighborhoods and would set a bad precedent for Austin. **I OPPOSE** the proposed zoning change to PUD.

First of all, just read the city’s own zoning definitions for the current Austin Oaks zoning:
LO (Limited Office district) is intended for offices serving neighborhood needs, adjacent to residential neighborhoods. SF3 is intended for moderate density SFR use. LR (Neighborhood Commercial district) is intended for neighborhood shopping facilities providing limited business service and office facilities for the convenience of residents of the neighborhood. GR (Community Commercial district) intended for office and commercial uses serving neighborhood and community needs. Notice some of the key words in the city’s zoning descriptions...Neighborhood, community, moderate, limited.

I could argue that the existing Austin Oaks development doesn’t fit some of its current zoning as described above, but the Austin Oaks PUD proposal is most certainly anything but moderate or limited and infringes on the surrounding neighborhood communities. The definition of a PUD explicitly takes the neighborhood, the community, the moderation, the limits, the residents...out of the equation. A PUD is not appropriate for an in-fill redevelopment of the proposed extent in a dense residential area. Let me rephrase that...a PUD of any extent is not appropriate for any residential area, period. Could I support responsible redevelopment of the Austin Oaks property? Absolutely, sure! But a PUD provides too much flexibility to infringe upon the established surrounding community.

Second, the Traffic Impact Analysis suggests 4-5 times the amount of traffic resulting from the proposed redevelopment density once fully built out. Many of the surrounding intersections are already failing. I sit through 2-3 cycles of the light at Spicewood and Mopac. Ever eat lunch at a restaurant on Anderson Lane or Burnet Road and try to get there and back during the lunch hour (@ 11-2)? Those intersections along Anderson Lane and nearby Burnet Road were not included in the TIA, but I guarantee you they already fail. Anderson Lane is backed up solid from Mopac to past Burnet in both directions during lunch with commuters to/from Austin Oaks and other ‘neighborhood’ offices.
It would be irresponsible and unacceptable for the City to grant approval for a development that knowingly would increase (worsen) traffic congestion by 4-5 times. Austin’s traffic problems are well known and only getting worse on their own. We don’t need to be voluntarily contributing to worsening traffic conditions. The developer’s pledged ‘fund’ to mitigate traffic doesn’t go nearly far enough. Where are the details? Where does the money go? Where are the new lanes to accommodate additional traffic? Expanded bridges with new lanes (Spicewood, Far West, Steck) over Mopec? It’s not enough. Furthermore, the TIA indicates that even with traffic mitigation, many of the intersections will still fail.

Third, the schools serving the multi-family component of the proposed development don’t have the capacity for additional students. They don’t have capacity for the existing student population! I don’t know what projections might look like for the expected number of children living in the 600 proposed apartment units, but let’s suppose that there is an average of 1 school aged child per unit. So 600 additional students living in Austin Oaks apartments. For simplicity let’s just divide those evenly among the three vertical area schools: Doss Elementary, Murchison Middle School, Anderson High School... An increase of 200 students at each school.

Doss has an enrollment of around 940 as of the just-ended 2014-2015 school year. The school was built for 500 (and that included Kindergarten through 6th grade, before 6th was subsequently moved to Murchison). Doss is already at 188% capacity. Adding another (hypothetical estimate) 200 students from Austin Oaks apartments takes it to 211% capacity. This is simply unacceptable. My kids have eaten lunch as early as 10:30 and as late as 1:30 as the school cycles 940 kids through the limited capacity cafeteria. I understand the district is adding additional portable classrooms on the school grounds this summer to accommodate the organic growth in the student population from the neighborhood’s existing SFR housing (as younger families replace older residents moving out of the neighborhood). There is no more room on the school property for additional portables to accommodate the existing growth in student population, much less throwing in another 200 or so potential students from dense multi-family development. But the developer is going to donate $150,000 to Doss to mitigate this? Insulting! How about donating land in Austin Oaks to AISD for the site of an entirely new elementary school to pull some overcrowding from Doss? That’s a more appropriate contribution (mitigation) and is consistent with what I’ve seen developers do in other/newer emerging communities around Austin and elsewhere.

Murchison has current enrollment of around 1,413. It was built for 800 students (3 grades) before the permanent 2-story addition and portables increased capacity to 1,100. Current enrollment is 129% of capacity. Without factoring organic neighborhood growth in student population, adding just the 200 (hypothetical estimate) from Austin Oaks apartments takes it to 147% capacity. Unacceptable. My daughter ate lunch sitting on the cafeteria floor because there were no seats left at the tables.

Anderson is just slightly above capacity with 2,185 students enrolled vs. expanded capacity of 2,017. Add 200 more students and it’s at 118% capacity not counting expected organic growth. Not bad and certainly manageable compared to the elementary and middle school situations. But nonetheless a future problem as the neighborhood continues to turnover naturally with more younger families replacing older residents (often original residents since the 1970s -1980s development of the neighborhood).

There is a whole lot of raw land out east of Austin, in the city’s Desired Development Zones, where PUDs and developments of the proposed density are appropriate, without established neighborhood
infrastructure to disrupt and strain. It’s an open book, a clean slate ripe for this type of development. That’s where Drenner and other developers need to go and where the city of Austin needs to encourage new development...and provide support for an area that needs it most.

I OPPOSE the Austin Oaks PUD zoning change proposal. I can support modernization and responsible redevelopment of the property within the limitations of the current zoning, but even that should still be subject to mitigation of the same issues impacted by increasing the development density to any degree.

Regards,

Jon Morgan
7803 Heathercrest Cir.
(512) 771-4268
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SUSAN QUAGLINO
Your Name (please print)

3809 SPICEWOOD SPRINGS ROAD
Your address(es) affected by this application

☐ I am in favor
☑ I object

Signature

Daytime Telephone: 512-468-7022


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Frank Cheff
Your Name (please print)
3503 Sterling Dr, 78759
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-941-8883

Comments:
Failure at the Lights of Spiceland Springs + Need A Reference Point
South West Springs + Wood Hollow +
Mendacony, Sock Knob & Fair West are indicators that the road infrastructure could
not handle the increased density of
Planned Project.

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PRESCELLA SPAULDING

Your Name (please print)

3809 SPICEWOOD SPRINGS RD #136
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512 587-7026

Comments: I TOTALLY OBJECT TO THIS REZONING FOR MANY REASONS:

1. THE TRAFFIC HAS INCREASED 3 FOLDS SINCE I MOVED HERE 5 YEARS AGO. MORE AND MORE DRIVERS ARE USING SPICEWOOD SPRGS RD TO CROSS FROM MOPAC TO 350. ADDITIONAL COMMERCIAL SPACE ON SPICEWOOD WILL ONLY CAUSE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR RESIDENTS TO COME TO OR OUT OF HOMES.

2. 10 STORY BUILDINGS WILL TOTALLY CHANGE THE AREA MAKING RESALE DIFFICULT AND LOWER ALL OF OUR PROPERTY VALUES. THE ONLY PARTY GAINING WILL BE PROSPECTIVE BUILDER/OWNER OF THIS COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AND HE/THEY WOULD NOT WANT IN THEIR OWN. If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to: RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS.

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Comments:

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Terry Dunigan

[Signature]

Your Name (please print)

3908 Spiderwood Springs

[Signature]

Your address(es) affected by this application

Terry Dunigan 6/6/2015
Terrence J. Dunigan Date

Daytime Telephone:

Comments: We don’t need more retail—there is plenty nearby. The traffic is already adversely affecting the neighborhood. Additional retail would increase traffic excessively up to an unacceptable level. This will hurt my property value of those of the neighborhood.

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First Name: Aurora
Middle Initial: O
Last Name: Obeso
Address(es) affected by this application: 3500 Greystone Dr. #175
Signature: [Signature]
Date: 6/10/15
Daytime Telephone: (512) 571-8339
Comments: 

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James P. Wiseman Jr.
Your Name (please print)
7030 Wood Hollow Dr. #306
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date 6/23/2015
Daytime Telephone: 512-620-8675

Comments: STOP the PUD.

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Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Charles R. Brown

[Signature]

Your Name (please print)

Daytime Telephone: 512.695.4442

Comments: The traffic increase would be horrific. The area schools are not equipped to handle the increase in students that this change would allow.

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HK Gregston, LLC
Charles E. Brown, Managing Member

[Signature]

[Your Name (please print)]

[Your address(es) affected by this application]

[Daytime Telephone: 512 695-4442]

[Comments: The increase in traffic would be devastating to this neighborhood. Also, the schools in this area are not able to handle the increase in population in this area with the planned addition of housing.]

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Jonathan Saucedo
7405 Shadow Hill Dr.
Signature
6-22-2015
Daytime Telephone: 512-507-1198
Comments: I feel that any type of mixed use commercial rezoning will greatly reduce the neighborhood feel of our community and will create more problems than good. Traffic will increase and not just during morning and rush times and this alone makes it unsafe and not worth it.

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Elizabeth Fletcher
Your Name (please print)
7930 Wood Hollow Dr. #306
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature 6/30/2015

Daytime Telephone: 732-294-4138
Comments: We do not want another highrise put up in our beautiful neighborhood. We do not want more traffic. We do not want any more trees torn down for “development.” As a former C0A employee, I believe this PUD will harm our city, not enhance it.

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Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

DONNA CARLSON
Your Name (please print)

7807 LINDENWOOD CIRCLE
Your address(es) affected by this application

Donna Carlson 6-24-15
Signature Date

Daytime Telephone: (512) 345-8112

Comments: NO CONDOS OR TOWNHOMES, MORE STORES AND RESTAURANTS. DON'T GIVE DEVELOPER A BLANK CHECK TO DO WHAT HE WANTS. HE DOES NOT CARE ABOUT AUSTIN, IT'S TREES OR THE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS. HE AND HIS DEVELOPMENT IS THE PROBLEM. MONEY VS. PEOPLE AND FAMILIES.

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Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Leonard Roy Chapman
7600 Wood Hollow Dr, Austin, TX

Your Name (please print)

Your address(es) affected by this application

Your comments (please type)

Signature

I am in favor
☑ I object

6-28-15

Daytime Telephone:

Comments:

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Annie L. Rogers  [ ] I am in favor  [x] I object

Your Name (please print)
3809 Spicewood Sgnd Rd #137
Your address(es) affected by this application

Annie L. Rogers  6-26-15
Signature  Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-343-2431

Comments:
Traffic is unreal. Already!

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Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Gloria Manos
7903 Caberry Drive

Your address(es) affected by this application: Austin 78759

Signature: Gloria Manos
Date: 5/29/15

Daytime Telephone: (512) 345-0186

Comments: I absolutely OBJECT. This is an outrageous overbuilding to a residential area. We are not allowed to maintain our lawn one day a week yet this will increase traffic. NO! NO! NO!

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Mike Manos, Jr.
Your Name (please print)
7903 Ceberry Drive
Austin, TX 78757
Your address(es) affected by this application
Mike Manos Jr
5-30-15
Signature Date

Daytime Telephone: (512) 476-9698

Comments: WE HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 42 YEARS, ON CEBERRY DRIVE, IN A QUIET RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD, AND NOW AT 75 YEARS OF AGE A REZONING CHANGE WOULD LESSEN THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT WE HAVE ENJOYED FOR SO MANY YEARS. I CAN JUST IMAGINE THE HORROR OF TRYING TO GET ON OR ACROSS SPICEWOOD SPRINGS FROM OUR CEBERRY DRIVE IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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Margaret Chalmers
Your Name (please print)
3809 Spicewood Springs Rd. #116D
Your address(es) affected by this application
Margaret Chalmers 6/1/2015
Signature Date
Daytime Telephone: 512-345-6849
Comments: I object this rezoning because
1) I do not want buildings over 4 stories in the area designated for rezoning,
2) I do not want any further leveling of trees or disturbance of natural areas,
3) I do not want increased traffic volume in the area and traffic noise,
4) and I do not want increased people and building and asphalt density.

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Your Name (please print)
Keith Tilley
7703 Bramblewood Circle

Signature
Date 6/11/15

Daytime Phone: 512-862-4706 (cell)

Comments: This area is already populated with lots of high density housing. Apartment complexes live Wood Hill, Sargent and Greystone. Ross and Macdonald are over crowded and our streets can’t handle the existing traffic. The proposals to date do nothing to address these issues.

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John Buford  
7804 Lindenwood Circle

Your Name (please print)  

☐ I am in favor  ☒ I object

Your address(es) affected by this application  

John Buford  
Signature  06-05-2015  
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-346-8867

Comments:


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Samuel Dale Mclemore
Your Name (please print)
8104 Raintree Place
Your address(es) affected by this application
Samuel Dale Mclemore 6/6/15
Signature Date
Daytime Telephone: 512-345-3677
Comments: Please see the attachment

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Dear Commissioners:

My wife, Patsy McLemore, and I are homeowners who have lived near the intersection of Mopac Blvd. and Spicewood Springs Road for the last 44 years. When we moved to this part of Austin there was no Mopac Blvd., no Loop 360, no Steck Ave. (beyond Balcones Dr.), no Anderson High School, no grocery stores, and no pharmacies, filling stations or any other of the many services that are now available in the neighborhood. We, therefore, have had a front-row seat from which to watch the neighborhood’s development. Up to this time we have thought most of the development has worked toward fostering a sense of community and improving the quality of life. The proposed PUD, on the other hand, would mark the beginning of the end. It would be a tipping-point beyond which the preceding type of development would be turned in a sharply different direction that, in time, would destroy the fine community that has gradually come into being.

Please do not approve this proposal.
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MARY B. KERR  
Your Name (please print)  
3700 HIDDEN HOLLOW, AUSTIN 78731  
Your address(es) affected by this application  
06-02-15  
Signature  
Date  
Daytime Telephone: 512-345-8791  
Comments: Please deny any zoning change! I live on the corner of Hart Lane and Hidden Hollow. My driveway exits on Hart. Traffic is already horrendous with speeding up and down the hill. This will become even worse with any change. Please do not allow them to change our neighborhood. Thank you for your support.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Kevin Sisney

Your Name (please print)

7902 Ceberry Dr.

Your address(es) affected by this application

Date

Signature

Daytime Telephone: 512-227-2070

Comments: Current plan is too much! Traffic already bad enough. Schools overcrowded.

If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:
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Tori Haase
P.O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
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Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Sue C. Hill

Your Name (please print)

3701 Fm 2001 S. Trails S.

Your address(es) affected by this application

June 2, 2015

Signature

Date

512-426-1286

Comments: We know that Austin Oaks will eventually be updated, but we are in hopes that the development stays within the current zoning. If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:

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Public Hearing: Jun 16, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

Tim Hill

Your Name (please print)

3701 Green Trl. So.

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-917-3559

Comments:

We find the changes requested to be detrimental to the neighborhood and the city. We would propose redevelopment be within the current zoning rules.

The traffic in our neighborhood is already challenging enough.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Lee Heckman, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Leonard R. Chapman
Your Name (please print)
7600 Wood Hollow Dr Austin, TX 78731
Your address(es) affected by this application

☐ I am in favor
☐ I object

Signature
Date
December 8, 2014

Daytime Telephone: 512 372 8107

Comments: Please do not grant this zoning request. To do so would probably increase property taxes, and rent for housing throughout the entire area. It would also probably increase traffic in and out of our neighborhood. In addition, it would most likely increase noise, pollution, and light pollution, reducing the quality of life in this older cozy neighborhood. Thank you for your time. Please take time to seriously consider these and other consequences in granting this zoning request.

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Contact: Lee Heckman, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

DONNA CARLSON

Your Name (please print)
7807 LINDELLWOOD CIRCLE

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-345-8112

Comments: We object to 17 and 14 story buildings, apartments and the thousands of additional people concentrated into this 32 acre site. This type of development needs to be closer to downtown, not on the door steps of good neighborhoods. In addition, we object to cutting down of large old trees. This Dallas developer does not care about Austin. Don’t enable them to destroy our neighborhood.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Lee Heckman, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Kumar & Dense Ward
Your Name (please print)
7805 Lindewood Circa, Austin, TX 78791
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature
Date
12/8/2014

Daytime Telephone: 732-207-7671

Comments: NOTHING SUITABLE ABOUT DEVELOPMENT, NOT A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER. ALREADY A NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER ON FAR WEST INCREASED TRAFFIC, REMOVAL OF HERITAGE TREES, SCHOOLS ARE ALREADY OVER CAPACITY. THESE ARE THE REASONS WE OBJECT TO A PUD.

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Case Number: C814-2014-0120
Contact: Tori Haase, 512-974-7691
Public Hearing: July 7, 2015, Zoning and Platting Commission

John Buford
Your Name (please print)
7804 Lindenwood Circle
Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature
Date
06-25-2015
Daytime Telephone: 512-346-8367
Comments:

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Contact: Lee Heckman, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Tim S. Hill
3701 Green Trails South
12/2/14
Signature

Daytime Telephone: 512-917-3559
Comments: I have grave concern about the increased density that this development will bring to our neighborhood. We already have over 50 apartment complexes. We do not have nice roads or schools to accommodate more.

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Contact: Lee Heckman, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Elizabeth Murphy

Your Name (please print)

3809 Spicewood Springs Rd #204

Your address(es) affected by this application ATX 78759

Signature 12/2/14

Daytime Telephone: 512-415-8790

Comments:

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Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Judy Moltz

□ I am in favor
□ I object

Your Name (please print)
3809 Spicewood Springs Rd.

Your address(es) affected by this application # 152
Judy Moltz
Signature
Nov 30, 2014
Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-345-6530

Comments: Like all other areas of Austin, this one is plagued with too much traffic — project like this shouldn’t even be considered, much less approved.

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Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Sue C. Hill

Your Name (please print)

3701 Green Trails South

Your address(es) affected by this application

12/3/2014

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone: 512-426-1286

Comments:

The PUD will bring more than 20,000 extra cars per day into an already crowded neighborhood. Our intersections are backed up and our children cannot safely walk or bike to school. Please DO NOT VOTE FOR THE PUD.

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December 5, 2014

Lee Heckman
City of Austin – Planning & Development Review Dept.
P.O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767

RE: Case Number: C814-2014-0120

Dear Mr. Heckman:

Please see the enclosed comments in opposition regarding the rezoning request, case number C814-2014-0120.

Thank you for your review and consideration.

Sincerely,

Nathan E. Vassar

Enclosure
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Within a single development, the mixed-use allows for both commercial and residential uses. The five-year rezoning is currently under review by the Austin City Council. The rezoning is a result of the rezoning district allowing for co-located mixed-use properties.

However, in order to allow for mixed-use development, the rezoning district includes the rezoning of the zoning district to mixed-use. The rezoning district is generally located in the seven commercial districts of the City of Austin. The rezoning district is generally located in the seven commercial districts of the City of Austin. The rezoning district is generally located in the seven commercial districts of the City of Austin.

During the public hearing, the City Council may grant or deny a rezoning application.

Contact: Lee Hekman 
Case Number: 21Q4-120420

Public Hearing: 1201, 704, 309A, 12047-7944

Date: 9-27-10

Time: 10:30 AM
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Contact: Lee Heckman, 512-974-7604
Public Hearing: Dec 16, 2014, Zoning and Platting Commission

Marilyn Eggeling
Your Name (please print) Starline Dr LLC
3602 Starline Drive 78759

Your address(es) affected by this application

Signature 12/1/14 Date

Daytime Telephone: 512 794 0700

Comments: This is a residential area – does not need multiuse projects added.

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Lee Heckman
P. O. Box 1088
Austin, TX 78767-8810
Dear Mr. Neeham,

Regarding: Austin Oaks - PUD, Change of Zoning

The change of zoning to PUD is unacceptable.

My address is 8712 Millway, 78757. I have traveled the site in question and the development is well suited to the terrain. A nice place to keep trees separate that is wrong and even if he's correct, look over that area. Already burgeoning traffic.

I travel that area all the time and many others.

1) Anderson Lane / Mopac / Spicewood is constant
2) Exit ramp to Anderson Lane
3) Exit ramp to Far West
4) Entry ramp to Mopac from Far West adiante
5) Back access.
6) 3 lane road to 360 from Mopac
7) Huge project from Mopac to 360 in progress
8) Project from Mopac to Mopac in progress.

August 22, 2014
The lawyer said at the meeting on 8/1/14 that changes in roads - straightening Hard Lane - that would help. Please hear us who live in this area.

Thank you.

Patricia Sullivan
8712 Milway Drive
Austin, Texas 78759
Ladies and Gentlemen —

We live 2½ blocks from this proposed PUD (Planned Unit Development) at Austin Oaks, at 8-17-2015.

These signatures represent nearly 100% of our HOA’s homeowners (as we have five “summering” in NY/Maine; 5 died last month...and 3 are too disabled to answer their doorbell.

We are adamantly and vehemently OPPOSED to this proposed PUD.

PLEASE give this your FULL attention, and have mercy on our neighborhood!

Kattyn Vermillion
3882 Williamsburg, Austin TX 78731
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