# ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET <br> NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET 



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TYPE OF NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENT: Change in Future Land Use Designation
FROM: Specific Regulating District (TOD) TO: Specific Regulating District (TOD)

## NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AREA: East Cesar Chavez

TIA: See attached memorandum (Exhibit A- Transportation Memorandum)

## WATERSHED: Lady Bird Lake CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: No

## DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes SCENIC ROADWAY: No

## SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff supports an alternate rezoning recommendation for the subject property. Staff recommends TOD-CURE-NP with a maximum building height of 75 feet.
Staff supports the change in future land use designation as requested.

## PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

November 14, 2017:

## ISSUES:

The Applicant is proposing to utilize both the TOD density bonus program and-CURE combining district to increase the maximum building height from 40 feet to 90 feet. The density bonus program, as established in the Plaza Saltillo TOD Regulating Plan, allows a height increase up to 60 feet with the provision of onsite affordable housing units or payment of a fee-in-lieu. The Applicant is providing fee-in-lieu for affordable housing because the proposed development does not include any residential units. Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) staff supports the fee-in-lieu request. Therefore, the increase from 40 to 60 feet is administratively granted. The increase above 60 feet would be achieved by utilizing the CURE combining district, if granted.

## DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

Existing Conditions. The subject property is located at the northeast corner of Comal Street and East $4^{\text {th }}$ Street. The property is zoned TOD-NP, as are all properties to the north, southwest, west, northeast, and east. The property is currently developed with a gravel parking lot, and single family residences. Across $4^{\text {th }}$ Street to the south is Chalmers

Court, which is currently zoned MF-4-NP. City Council recently passed a resolution that the Chalmers Court be rezoned to TOD-NP, becoming part of the Plaza Saltillo TOD. East of the subject property, across Concho Street, is Eastside Station, a multifamily residential development. North of the subject property, across an alley, is Saltillo Lofts, a mixed use/multifamily development. Northwest of the subject property is the Plaza Saltillo rail station. To the west, across Comal Street, are an undeveloped lot, single family residences, and commercial land uses. Southwest of the subject property is the former site of the Habitat for Humanity Re-store, which is currently being redeveloped as The Foundry, a mixed use development. Please refer to Exhibits B and C (Zoning Map and Aerial View).

Plaza Saltillo TOD. The subject property is located within the boundaries of the Plaza Saltillo Station Area Plan. The property is subject to the land use and site development standards identified in the associated Regulating Plan, with land use regulations and general design standards organized into subdistricts. There are three mixed-use subdistricts and one residential subdistrict. The property is located within the TOD Mixed Use subdistrict, which allows the highest level of development activity in the TOD, ideally with a mix of ground floor commercial or other active uses with residential, commercial and/or office uses on the upper floors. The property is also located on an "active edge" along the Comal Street frontage. Active edges are designated in key locations of the TOD; ground floor space along an active edge must be designed to accommodate active non-residential uses as established in the TOD Regulating Plan. Please refer to Exhibit D (TOD Subdistricts and Active Edges Exhibit).
Building height regulations do not directly follow the Subdistrict boundaries of the TOD. The TOD establishes a minimum building height for the subject property, a maximum height without development bonuses, and a maximum height that is permitted if affordable housing requirements are met. The minimum height is two stories; the maximum height without development bonuses is 40 feet; the maximum height with development bonuses is 60 feet. If the affordable housing requirements are satisfied, the granting of the bonus height (up to 60 feet) is an administrative process, and therefore not part of this rezoning request. Please refer to Exhibit E (TOD Building Height Exhibit).
CURE Combining District. The -CURE combining district may only be applied to properties located in specified central urban areas, and the subject property is located within approved CURE boundaries. The property also meets the CURE requirement that the site has existing development that is at least 10 years old. The property is not located within a Capitol View Corridor viewshed. Please refer to Exhibit F (CURE \& View Corridor Exhibit).
The CURE combining district allows modification of various elements of the base zoning district, which in this case is TOD. CURE can be used to modify permitted or conditional uses, site development regulations, off-street parking or loading regulations, sign regulations, landscaping, or screening regulations.
Rezoning Request. The Applicant is requesting the addition of the -CURE combining district to modify the base TOD zoning district to increase the maximum building height to 90 feet. The Applicant proposes utilizing both the TOD density bonus program and CURE zoning to increase the maximum building height from 40 feet to 90 feet. The density bonus program, as established in the Plaza Saltillo TOD Regulating Plan, allows a height increase up to 60 feet with the provision of onsite affordable housing units or payment of a fee-in-lieu. The Applicant is providing fee-in-lieu for affordable housing because the proposed development does not include any residential units. Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) staff supports the fee-in-lieu request. Therefore, the increase from 40 to 60 feet is administratively granted. The increase above 60 feet would be achieved by utilizing the CURE zoning, if granted. The fee-in-lieu agreement with Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) is attached. Please see Exhibit G (Affordable Housing Letter).
In May 2017, the Plaza Saltillo Tracts 1-6 rezoning (Endeavor) cases were approved by Council, and included a Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA). Since a TIA of that size reviews intersections beyond the zoning case boundaries, the study area encompassed the subject tract. Since a comprehensive TIA was done with the Endeavor project, Transportation Staff determined that an additional TIA is not required for the subject tract. The Endeavor TIA identified several future transportation improvement projects for the area, and Transportation Staff has identified some priority improvements that may be impacted by the current project. Staff has developed a schedule for funding participation by the Applicant; the Applicant will be required to meet these requirements at time of site plan. Please refer to Exhibit A (Transportation Memorandum).

## EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

|  | ZONING | LAND USES |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Site | TOD-NP - Mixed Use | Parking lot, residential |
| North | TOD-NP - Mixed Use | Mixed use - commercial, multifamily |
| South | MF-2-NP | Multifamily |
| East | TOD-NP - Mixed Use | Mixed use- commercial, multifamily |
| West | TOD-NP - Mixed Use | Undeveloped, residential, commercial |

## RELATED CASES:

| NUMBER/NAME | REQUEST | COMMISSION | $\begin{gathered} \text { CITY } \\ \text { COUNCIL } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C14-2011-0091 <br> Jaylee Limited (Arnold Oil) 1601\& 1645 E. $6^{\text {th }}$ Street | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOD-NP } \\ & \text { to } \\ & \text { TOD-CURE-NP } \end{aligned}$ | August 27, 2013: PC approved Staff rec. on consent (8-$0-1$ ) TOD-CURE-NP to allow: 1.The property will be developed as an Office Tract and a MF Tract. 2. The Office Tract and MF Tract will be joined by a UDA and/or Shared Parking Agreement. 3. Parking for both Tracts may be located on the MF Tract. | September 26, 2013: ORD NO. 20130926-100CC approved TOD-CURE- NP as rec. on consent (8-0-1) |
| C14-2015-0054 <br> 901 East | TOD-NP <br> to <br> TOD-CURE-NP | June 23, 2015: To grant TOD-CURE-CO-NP as recommended by Staff, on consent ( $8-0$ ) to allow building height increase from 60 to 80 feet and 1. Max. 2,000 vehicular trips per day; 2. Vehicular access to East 6th Street is prohibited. 3. Section 25-2-531 of City Code is modified to include storage rooms and restrooms structures. | August 13, 2015: <br> Approved $1^{\text {s1 }}$ <br> reading only <br> with additional <br> community <br> benefit <br> requirement. <br> September 10, <br> 2015: ORD NO. <br> 20150910-018- <br> CC approved <br> TOD-CURE - <br> CO-NP on <br> consent (11-0) |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { C14-2016-0049, C14- } \\ & \text { 2016-0050, C14-2016- } \\ & \text { 0051 } \\ & \text { Plaza Saltillo Tracts 1-6 } \\ & \text { (Endeavor Project) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOD-NP } \\ & \text { to } \\ & \text { TOD-CURE-NP } \end{aligned}$ | January 10, 2017: To grant rezoning from TOD-NP to <br> TOD-CURE-NP, as rec, (9-4). Building heights <br> increased to $68^{\prime}, 70^{\prime}$ and $125^{\prime}$. Commission also requested staff include the following items for additional information and review prior to review by city council: <br> 1. Staff shall identify mechanisms that will ensure that the affordable housing units on tract 6 are constructed in an appropriate timeframe in relation to the rest of the overall project; 2. Staff shall examine options for future participation by the city in increasing the number of affordable housing units up to the $25 \%$ level as described in section 4.3 of the Plaza Saltillo regulating plan; and, 3. PC does not intend for support of the height increase on this project to be considered a guiding precedent for the overall area. PC supported the height requests on these zoning cases because of the specific issues of the cases, namely: this is the Plaza Saltillo project owned by Capital Metro, which has been planned for higher intensity; the project is located within a TOD, which was designed for higher density; the project is located within a CURE district, which allows greater intensity in order to promote revitalization; the location of the proposed 125 foot height limit is located close to 1 HH 35. | March 2, 2017: <br> To approve ORD <br> NOs. 20170302- <br> 062, 20170302- <br> 063, and <br> 20170302-064 <br> TOD-CURE-NP <br> with mod. (7-4) <br> February 16, <br> 2017: Approved <br> $2^{\text {nd }}$ reading only, <br> no changes. (8-3) <br> February 9, <br> 2017: Approved <br> $1^{\text {st }}$ reading only w/ condition: to grant a max building height of 70 feet for Tract One. Vote: (8-3) |

## ABUTTING STREETS:

| Name | ROW | Pavement | Classification | Sidewalks | Bike Route | Cap Metro (1/4 <br> mile radius) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Comal Street | $70^{\prime}$ | $36^{\prime}$ | Collector | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. 4 Street | $70^{\prime}$ | $30^{\prime}$ | Local | No | Yes | Yes |
| Concho Street | $30^{\prime}$ | $20^{\prime}$ | Local | No | No | Yes |
| Alley | $22^{\prime}$ | $15^{\prime}$ | Alley | N/A | Yes | Yes |

## SCHOOLS:

Zavala Elementary School Martin Middle School Eastside Memorial HS at Jolunston

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

## Capital Metro

Preservation Austin
East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Association
Guadalupe Neighborhood Development Corporation
Greater East Austin Neighborhood Association
East Sixth IBIZ District
Homeless Neighborhood Association
Austin Neighborhoods Council
El Concilio Mexican-American Neighborhoods
Barrio Unido Neighborhood Association
East Austin Conservancy
A.N.T. Artists and Neighbors Together

Guadalupe Association for an Improved Neighborhood (GAIN)
United East Austin Coalition
Neighbors United for Progress
Claim Your Destiny Foundation
Black Improvement Association
Sierra Club
SELTexas
East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Planning Team
Tejano Town
Austin Innercity Alliance
Friends of Austin Neighborhoods
AISD
CITY COUNCIL DATE: December 7, 2017:
CASE MANAGER: Heather Chaffin
PHONE: 512-974-2122
e-mail: heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff supports an alternate rezoning recommendation for the subject property. Staff recommends TOD-CURE-NP with a maximum building height of 75 feet. Staff supports the change in future land use designation as requested.

The proposed increase in heigitt is consistent with the priorities and goals of the Plaza Saltillo TOD, as outlined in the Urban Design/Comprehensive Planning comments listed below. The TOD has mechanisms to increase height to $60^{\prime}$ and gain affordable housing units and funds. Since the creation of the TOD in 2008, several rezoning cases have been approved with-CURE, demonstrating a demand for additional density in the area. The subject tract is particularly suitable for increased density due to its proximity to the Plaza Saltillo Station (diagonally across Comal Street). While Staff does not support the requested 90 -foot building height, Staff does believe a 75 -foot height limit would be consistent with TOD and -CURE goals.

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

Staff believes the proposed rezoning, with conditions, meets the purpose of the CURE combining district as stated in the Land Development Gode:
"The purpose of a central urban redevelopment (CURE) combining district is to promote the stability of neighborhoods in the central urban area.
(B) A CURE combining district may be used:
(1) for sustainable redevelopment of homes, multifamily housing, and small businesses;
(2) to accommodate high priority projects that enhance the stability of urban neighborhoods including the development of affordable housing and small businesses along principal transportation routes that serve a neighborhood;
(3) to improve the natural environment; and
(4) to encourage high quality development with architectural design and proportion compatible with the neighborhood."

## 2. Granting of the request should result in an equal treatment of similarly situated properties.

Several -CURE rezonings have been approved in the Plaza Saltillo TOD since the creation of the TOD in 2008. The CURE request for the subject property is similar to the nearby TOD-CURE-NP properties.

## URBAN DESIGN/COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

These properties are located at the corner of E4th Street and Comal approximately one block from the Plaza Saltillo Station. These properties are zoned TOD mixed use and the façade facing Comal will have to comply with active edge standards. The properties south of the project site are not included in the Plaza Saltillo Regulating Plan and are currently in use as multi-family residential. The proposed development would support greater transit use in this area and contribute to the desired mix of uses around the station area that is described in the plan.

Plaza Saltillo Regulating Plan- The proposed zoning change would further the following statements of intent from the Plaza Saltillo regulating plan:
2.2.1: Encourage transit supportive uses, which generally have higher densities near transit stops, thereby promoting greater transit ridership.
2.2.2: Create opportunities for shorter, multi-purpose trips by encouraging a mix of uses within the Plaza Saltillo TOD district.
2.2.3: Locate the highest level of activity and mix of uses in the TOD district around transit and along major streets

Plaza Saltillo Station Area Plan- The Plaza Saltillo Station Area Plan also identifies the property as TOD mixed use with an active edge. The proposed zoning change is supported by several of the TOD design principles identified in the plan: Greater density than community average; a mix of uses; and a defined center.
Imagine Austin- The subject property is located along an Activity Corridor in the Imagine Austin Growth Concept Map. Activity Corridors are intended to be connections between different centers as well as the site of mixed-use development. The proposed project is supported by the following Core Principles for Action described in the plan: Grow as a compact, connected City. The following IACP policies are applicable 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, are designed to encourage walking and bicycling, and reduce healthcare, 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.
LUT 10: Direct housing and employment growth to activity centers and corridors.
Based on the information above, Staff believes that the proposed zoning change is supported by both the Plaza Saltillo Regulating Plan, Plaza Saltillo Station Area Plan, and the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

## TRANSPORTATION

TR1. This applicant shall provide traffic mitigations identified within the previously approved Traffic lmpact Analysis conducted with the adjacent zoning application Plaza Saltillo Tract 6 (C14-2016-0051/SP-2015-0479C/SP-2015-0480C). TR2. Additional right-of-way maybe required at the time of subdivision and/or site plan to accommodate the transportation system and network.
TR3. If the requested zoning is granted, it is recommended that joint access be provided to Concho Street and 4th Street for the 6 lots.
TR4. FYl- Comal Street is a Pedestrian Priority Street within the Plaza Saltillo TOD and serves as a primary pedestrian route leading directly to the transit facility.
TR5. FYI- The adjacent alley is proposed for the Lance Armstrong Bikeway / Cross Town Bikeway.
TR6. FYI- According to the Austin 2014 Bicycle Plan approved by Austin City Council in November, 2014, the Lance Armstrong Bikeway is recommended for the adjacent alley connecting Comal Street to the trail at Concho Street; a buffered bike lane is recommended for Comal Street, and a bike lane is recommended for E 4th Street.
TR 7. FYI - the Plaza Saltillo TOD regulations are required for this site at the time of the subdivision and site plan applications.

## CAPITAL METRO

Concerning all proposed development within 500 -feet of the Capital Metro Rail Tracks-Capital Metro runs freight service on these tracks, and is required to continue to do so as a matter of federal law. Since March 22, 2010, we are operating passenger rail service, primarily, but not limited to, weekday hours. With the start of passenger rail service, we have shifted freight rail service to other times, particularly the hours after the last passenger train has run. This shift is in accordance with Federal regulations and safety procedures.
All concerned parties need to be aware of the freight service in planning any development. The freight trains generate some noise as they move through. At many urban street crossings, there are upgraded signal systems with crossing arms to block the roadway. This allows the City of Austin the ability to apply for a "quiet zone" meaning that the train will not blow its horn, under normal operations, as it moves through the street. At other crossings, the freight train will blow the horn, which is approximately 96 decibels. At any time, if the engineer judges it to be prudent, the horn will be sounded as needed for safe operation. Please consider this information in planning developments near the Capital Metro rail lines.

## SITE PLAN

SP 1. Site plans will be required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.
SP 2. FYI- This site is in the CURE overlay and the Plaza Saltillo TOD and the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Planning Area. Design regulations in accordance with the Plaza Saltillo TOD Regulating Plan will be applied at the time a site plan is submitted.

## ENVIRONMENTAL

1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is located in the Lady Bird Lake Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as an Urban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code. It is in the Desired Development Zone.
2. Zoning district impervious cover limits apply in the Urban Watershed classification.
3. According to floodplain maps there is no floodplain within or adjacent to the project location.
4. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.
5. Very few trees are located on this property. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding other vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands but it is likely that none exist at this address.
6. This site is required to provide on-site water quality controls (or payment in lieu of) for all development and/or redevelopment when 8,000 s.f. cumulative is exceeded, and on site control for the two-year storm.

## WATER UTILITY

1. 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, utility relocations and or abandonments required by the land use. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility for compliance with City criteria. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. The landowner must pay the City inspection fee 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.


## Exhibit $A$

MEMORANDUM

TO: Heather Chaffin, Case Manager<br>Planning and Zoning Department<br>CC: Anna Martin, P.E., PTOE<br>Austin Transportation Department<br>FROM: Sáj Scost A. James, P.E., PTOE<br>Land Use Review/Transportation<br>Development Services Department<br>DATE: November 8,2017<br>RE: $\quad 1600$ East $4^{\text {th }}$ 5treet (also called "4 East")<br>Zoning Case C14-2017-0105

Section 25-6-114 of the Land Development Code requires that a traffic impact analysis be conducted for a zoning or site plan application if the proposed project is anticipated to generate more than 2,000 daily trips. The project site is 0.8387 acres and is located on East $4^{\text {th }}$ Street between Comal Street and Concho Street in East Austin. This project site is subject to the Regulating Plan for the Plaza Saltillo TOD Station Area Pian (SAP), adopted December 8, 2011 and revised May 25, 2013 by the Austin City Council.

The request is to rezone the site from TOD - NP to TOD - CURE - NP zoning to allow for a proposed development of up to $150,000 \mathrm{SF}$ of general office, $5,000 \mathrm{SF}$ of restaurant and $3,500 \mathrm{SF}$ of retail services.

## Nearby roadways

East $6^{\text {th }}$ Street is classified as a two lane undivided major arterial roadway. Based on the 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, East $6^{\text {th }}$ Street near Chicon Street serves approximately 6,500 vehicles per day (vpd). The posted speed limit along East $6^{\text {th }}$ Street is 30 MPH .

East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street is classified as a two lane undivided minor arterial. The posted speed limit along East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street is 30 MPH . According to the 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street near IH35 serves approximately 6,500 vpd.

East $4^{\text {th }}$ Street is classified as a two fane undivided roadway. The assumed speed limit along East $4^{\text {th }}$ Street is 30 MPH. According to 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street near IH-35 serves approximately $1,000 \mathrm{vpd}$.

Cesar Chavez Street is classified as a two lane undivided minor arterial. The posted speed limit along Cesar Chavez Street is 30 MPH . According to 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, Cesar Chavez . Street near Comal Street serves approximately 18,500 vpd.

Navasota Street is classified as a local street. The assumed speed limit along Navasota Street is 30 MPH. Per the 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, Navasota Street near East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street serves approximately 500 vpd.

Comal Street is classified as a collector. The assumed speed limit along Comal Street is 30 MPH. Per the 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, Comal Street near East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street serves approximately 3,500 vpd.

Chicon Street is classified as a two lane undivided minor arterial. The posted speed limit along Chicon Street is 30 MPH. Per the 2010 TxDOT saturation counts, Chicon Street near East $5^{\text {th }}$ Street serves approximately 6,000 vpd.

## Trip Generation and Traffic Analysis

As described in the application, the proposed development is include up to $150,000 \mathrm{SF}$ of general office, $5,000 \mathrm{SF}$ of restaurant and $3,500 \mathrm{SF}$ of retail land uses. According to the ITE publication Trip Generation, $9^{\text {th }}$ Edition, the total number of estimated daily trips would be $2,541 \mathrm{vpd}$. Table 1 below summarizes the site trip generation referenced for this application:

## Table 1 - Estimated Site Trip Generation

| Land Use (ITE Code) | Intensity | 24-Hour <br> Two-Way <br> Volume | AM Peak Hour |  | PM Peak Hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Enter | Exit | Enter | Exit |
| General Office (710) | 150,000 SF | 1787 | 233 | 32 | 42 | 205 |
| Specialty Retail (826) | 3,500 5F | 156 | 64 | 69 | 13 | 17 |
| Sit down Restaurant (932) | 5,000 SF | 336 | 30 | 24 | 30 | 19 |
| Totals |  | 2,541 | 327 | 125 | 85 | 241 |

Review staff from the Austin Transportation and Development Services Department discussed this zoning application and confirmed that mitigation will be required. However, this location is within the study area for a previously reviewed and approved zoning application (Plaza Saltillo TOD, C14-2016-0049). This prior study identified infrastructure improvements that may also serve the site traffic generated by the subject property.

Review staff identified proposed infrastructure improvements that, in proportion to the subject development, would serve to mitigate the impact of site traffic upon adjacent roadway infrastructure. Rather than request and review a separate Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) for this application, review staff agreed to support the zoning application, contingent upon the posting of fiscal for the following identified infrastructure improvements:

Table 2 - Identified infrastructure improvements

| Location | Transportation Improvement | Estimated Cost | Developer Share |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| East $4^{\text {th }}$ St/ IH-35 frontage | - Install traffic signal improvements to Lance Armstrong Bikeway crossing | \$400,000 | \$50,000 |
| Comal Street/ public alleyway | - Upgrade LAB crossing <br> - Install raised intersection | \$50,000.00 | \$50,000 |
| LAB b/t Comal Street and Concho Street | - Improve LAB surface treatments and pavement markings | TBD | 100\% |
|  | Total | \$455,000* | \$100,000+ |

## Recommendations

1) Prior to the release of site plan, the applicant shall post fiscal in the amount of $\$ 100,000$ towards the following improvements:
a. Installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of East $4^{\text {th }}$ Street and IH - 35 frontage roads, and
b. Enhanced pedestrian and bicycle crossing on Comal Street for the Lance Armstrong Bikeway (LAB) connection.
2) The development is also to include improvements within the public alleyway to facilitate use of the LAB and minimize conflict between vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians.

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3) Development of this property should not vary from the approved uses, nor exceed the approved land use intensities in this memorandum, otherwise staff reserves the right to revisit the conditions of this project application and reserves the right to recommend additional mitigation.

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

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

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## Exhibit D

Article 2: Land Use and Building Density Section 2.3. Transit-Oriented Development Subdistriets Subsection 2.3.8. Land Use Summary Table

Figure 2-1: Plaza Saltillo Station Area Plan TOD Subdistricts


Figure 4-1: Base Maximum Building Height (with no development bonus)



SUBJECT TRACT

$A$


PENDING CASE
ZONING BOUNDARY
Capital Corridor

## 4 East

ZONING CASE\#: C14-2017-0105
LOCATION: East 4th Street SUBJECT AREA: . 84 ACRES

GRID: K21
MANAGER: HEATHER CHAFFIN
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 atcuracy or completeness.

# Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department 

November 7, 2017

Ms. Heather Chaffin
Planning and Zoning Department
City of Austin
505 Barton Springs Road, $5^{\text {th }}$ Floor
Austin, TX 78703
VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov

Re: $\quad$ Fee-in-lieu Request 4 East - Property located at 1600, 1602, 1604, 1606, 1608 and 1610
E $4^{\text {th }}$ Street - Zoning Case No C14-2017-0105

Dear Ms. Chaffin:

The Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department (NHCD) has reviewed the request of the owner of the property located at $1600,1602,1604,1606,1608$ and $1610 \mathrm{E} 4^{\text {th }}$ Street to provide a fee-in-lieu payment in place of providing affordable housing units in the project known as the 4 East. This request to provide a fee-in-lieu payment is permitted as part of the density bonus section of the Plaza Saltillo Regulating Plan, specifically Section 4.3.3(D) and requires the approval of the City Council.

The Plaza Saltillo TOD Regulating Plan permits the donation of a fee-in-lieu of onsite affordable housing under Section 4.3.3(D) if the property owner/developer can demonstrate a compelling reason not to provide the required on-site affordable housing. The TOD regulating plan establishes a fee-in-lieu of \$11 per square foot of bonus area. The fee-in-lieu shall be calculated in accordance with the Plaza Saltilio Regulating Plan, Section 4.3.3(D)(2). The fee-in-lieu is to be paid into the Housing Assistance Fund otherwise known as the Housing Trust Fund.

NHCO supports the property owner's request to pay a fee-in-lieu of providing affordable housing units on-site based on the following compelling reason:

1) The project is not a residential project.

City Council must approve the request for a fee-in-lieu of on-site affordable housing units. If City Council chooses to approve the fee-in-lieu request. NHCD recommends that the Council Zoning Ordinance include language that highlights that the approved fee-in-lieu of on-site affordable units is contingent upon build out of a development that includes no residential uses. If the approved site plan includes residential uses, the fee-in-lieu approval will be void and the property owner will be responsible for meeting the on-site affordable housing requirements set by the Plaza Saltillo Regulating Plan or request City Council approval for a fee-in-lieu based on the site plan at that time.

An administrative hold shall be placed on the building permits), until the following items have been completed: 1) prior to issuance of certificate of occupancy the fee-in-lieu calculation has been finalized and evidenced through a sealed letter from project architect and/or engineer, 2) the fee-in-lieu has been paid in full to the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office.

Please contact me if you need additional information by phone at 512.974.3128 or by email sandra.harkins@austintexas.gov.

Sincerely,


Sandra Harking, Project Coordinator
City of Austin
Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department
cc: Michel Whellan, Applicant Representative

