ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C814-2017-0001 – 425 W. Riverside PUD  Planning Commission Date: February 13, 2018  February 27, 2018

ADDRESS: 425 W. Riverside Drive

OWNER/APPLICANT: Ronald A. Nelson and Molly Belle Properties (Ronald Nelson, Trustee)

AGENT: Armbrust & Brown (Richard Suttle)/Stream Realty (David Blackbird)

ZONING FROM: CS-1-V-NP  TO: PUD-NP

AREA: 1.45 acres (63,162 sq. ft.)

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Planning and Zoning staff recommends PUD zoning with conditions as referenced in the Superiority Chart and Land Use Plan.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

1. The $3.1 M contribution is secured, either in-kind or in payment.
   a. Any in-kind contribution must advance the physical framework vision of the SCW Plan (i.e., build mobility or green infrastructure within the district) and those in-kind contributions are appropriately valued by staff review.
   b. Any payment contributions (balance due from $3.1 M after deducting in-kind contributions) must be deposited in a fund that is restricted in use for the SCW District until the SCW Public Improvement District can be established.
   c. The proposed, estimated $1.4 M contribution for affordable housing (the final number will be based on final bonus square footage @ site plan submittal @ $6/SF) must be restricted for use in the SCW district, as required by the SCW Plan.

2. The City Council directs the City Manager to provide recommendations and a proposal for enacting the SCW Public Improvement District (SCW-PID) as part of the Downtown Austin Alliance PID within 60 days. The applicant/owner must submit a petition to join the Downtown Austin Alliance PID as a condition of approval.

3. The City Council directs the City Manager to commence necessary studies and prepare a draft ordinance to create the SCW Tax Increment Finance District (SCW-TIF) within 180 days.

4. Power lines on the boundary of the site will be buried by developer;

5. Incorporate the recommendations of the Environmental Commission as the project moves through the Site Development Permit Process.

6. Applicant work with Watershed staff to identify possible offsite water treatment opportunities.

7. Applicant provide irrigation source for the street tree canopy where feasible.

8. Consider using pervious pavement for sidewalks were feasible.

9. Allow public access to the green roof.

10. Encourage green walls on exterior of parking garage structure and office building

11. Applicant work with staff to determine additional opportunities for parks funding.

12. Applicant work with Austin Transportation Department on traffic demand management and parking requirements.

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Notes on Additional conditions/recommendations:
- Incorporate the recommendations of the Environmental Commission as the project moves through the Site Development Permit Process.

Environmental Commission Recommendations:

a. Applicant work with Watershed staff to identify possible offsite water treatment opportunities.
   From Alan Holt – Principal Planner in charge of the South Central Waterfront Plan:
   “The South Central Waterfront Plan (SCW Plan) only identified one potential rain garden in public ROW - @ the Congress/Barton Springs “free right.” We explored having the applicant build that for us, but the City isn’t ready to do that (utility easement conflicts, etc). So, that idea came off the table.

   The majority of the green infrastructure that the SCW Plan envisions will take place in conjunction with other development sites (e.g., Statesman, Crockett, etc). The SCW Plan does envision and would require major green infrastructure with those redevelopments. Also, the SCW Plan envisions that as the arterials get major overhauls, that existing roadways incorporate green infrastructure, but those opportunities will likely get incorporated as properties along arterials redevelop, or when the City is ready to do a major overhaul (e.g., what may come from the Mobility Corridor Bond study of South Congress that’s now underway).

   So, there are not any offsite opportunities that are ready to go at this time.”

b. Applicant provide irrigation source for the street tree canopy where feasible.
   From Jim Dymkowski – Environmental Program Coordinator and Certified Arborist:
   “After discussing this possibility with Keith Mars, this is not something the City Arborist would support.”

c. Consider using pervious pavement for sidewalks were feasible.

d. Allow public access to the green roof.

e. Encourage green walls on exterior of parking garage structure and office building.

- Recommend applicant work with staff to determine additional opportunities for parks funding.
- Recommend applicant work with Austin Transportation Department on traffic demand management and parking requirements.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:
JANUARY 3, 2018: APPROVED STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH ADDITIONAL DIRECTION, VOTE 8-0.
Additional Direction:
- Applicant work with Watershed staff to identify possible offsite water treatment opportunities.
- Applicant provide irrigation source for the street tree canopy where feasible.
- Consider using pervious pavement for sidewalks.
- Allow public access to the green roof.
- Encourage green walls on exterior of parking garage structure and office building.
- Recommend the creation of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and Public Improvement District (PID) framework for public improvements as described in the South Central Waterfront Plan.

SMALL AREA PLANNING JOINT COMMITTEE:
JANUARY 10, 2018: APPROVED STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH ADDITIONAL DIRECTION, VOTE 5-1.
Additional Direction:

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- The Tax Increment Financing District (TIF) and Public Improvement District (PID) be created as soon as possible.
- Allow public access to the green roof.
- The Tier 3, density bonus affordable housing funds should be restricted for use within the South Central Waterfront District.
- Applicant work with Austin Transportation Department on traffic demand management and parking requirements.
- Applicant work with staff to determine additional opportunities for parks funding.

SOUTH CENTRAL WATERFRONT ADVISORY BOARD WORKING GROUP:
JANUARY 30, 2018: APPROVED STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH ADDITIONAL DIRECTION, VOTE 3-0-1.

Additional Direction:
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SOUTH CENTRAL WATERFRONT ADVISORY BOARD:
FEBRUARY 8, 2018 – RECOMMENDED THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS, VOTE 5-2:
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4. Power lines on the boundary of the site will be buried by developer;
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DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:
The site is 1.45 acres located within the Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Planning Area, the South Shore Sub-District of the Waterfront Overlay, and the South Central Waterfront Plan district. Current zoning is commercial–liquor sales-vertical mixed use-neighborhood Plan (CS-1-V-NP)(See Aerial Map). The future land use map (FLUM) of the Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Plan designates this property for mixed-use. The applicant is requesting planned unit development (PUD) district zoning for a mixed-use project to include approximately 289,000 square feet of office and 21,045 square feet of retail with a maximum height of 195 feet (see Exhibits C & D - Land Use Plan & Notes).

The South Central Waterfront Plan (SCWP) was adopted by the City Council, June 16, 2016. The boundaries of the SCWP district are South First Street on the west, Blunn Creek to the east, Lady Bird Lake to the north, Riverside Drive and East Bouldin Creek to the south (Exhibit A). The plan “strives to be a model for how a district-wide green infrastructure system paired with quality urban design and an interconnected network of public spaces, streets, lakeside trails and parks can provide a framework for redevelopment. A district approach can also coordinate public and private investments to leverage maximum impact and provide for district-wide value capture to fund affordable housing and other community benefits.” A link to the Council approved plan can be found here: ftp://ftp.ci.austin.tx.us/npzd/Aunitngo/SCW_Vision_Plan_LatestEdition.pdf.

The SCWP provides specific recommendations for creating an interconnected expansion of open spaces, trails and green streets, and for achieving up to 20% of new affordable housing units as the district grows. The SCWP provides specific analysis for each of the properties within the district and how they may contribute to the overall goals of the plan. The applicant’s request for a maximum height of 195 feet for this site is consistent with the SCWP (see Exhibit A-1). Additionally, this tract has limited ability to provide on-site street network improvements or park and trail amenities. It is proposed to have predominately an office use so can provide limited on-site affordable housing. The SCWP addresses sites like this through a financial contribution which can be used within the district for public improvements and community benefits as identified in the SCWP. The SCWP contemplates the creation of a Public Improvement District (PID) as the repository for district contributions. The SCWP also uses Tax Increment Financing (TIF) to generate funding for proposed public benefits within the District. The SCWP TIF has not yet been created for the district.

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 and thus is superior to development which could occur under conventional zoning and subdivision regulations.

To help evaluate the superiority of a proposed PUD, requirements are divided into two categories: Tier 1, which 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.

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This application meets Tier 1 requirements and meets or exceeds the following Tier 2 elements (see attached Superiority Table, Exhibit B-1):

- Environment/Drainage (will comply with current code, no grandfathering claims).
  - treat 100% of stormwater using on-site green water quality controls.
    - 2,500 sq ft green roof
    - 800 sq ft of landscaping area
    - 1,000 sq ft of rain garden or additional landscaping
    - 25% of capture volume collected via a rainwater harvesting system
    - 100% irrigation provided via rainwater and condensate collection
  - Rain gardens will treat 800 sq feet of currently untreated ROW.
  - Reduce impervious cover from existing near 100% to 95%.
  - No floodplain modifications.
  - Native trees and plants for landscaping requirements.
  - Minimum of 1000 cubic feet of soil per tree planted (EXHIBIT G).
  - Integrated Pest Management.

- Construct an extension of the future reclaimed water line into the SCWP District and plumb the PUD to be ready for reclaimed water when full extension is complete.

- Art in Public Places

- Transportation
  - Complete Streets adjacent to site.
  - Dedication of Rights of Way for bike lanes on Riverside and Barton Springs Road, as identified in the SCWP (EXHIBIT E).
  - Improvements to two Capital Metro bus stations (Auditorium Shores & S. 1st St).
  - Participate in the COA’s Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program.
  - Bike Valet

- Building Design
  - Minimum of six points under Sub Chapter E.
  - 100% Pedestrian oriented uses along the Principal Roadway (S. 1st St) and all intersection corners will be activated with pedestrian oriented uses and open spaces (EXHIBIT F).

- Affordable Housing
  - Contribute $6/sqft for bonus area above baseline of 121,566 sqft. This is approx. 188,479sqft (310,045sqft-121,566sqft x $6) = $1,130,874 to Housing Trust Fund which will be dedicated for use within the South Central Waterfront District for 5 years. This is per the Tier 3 PUD Density Bonus requirement.

The proposed request will require the following variances from the Waterfront Overlay:

- Allow pedestrian oriented uses above the ground floor.
- Building design standards (mirrored glass, building basewall, distinctive building top, horizontal building façade).
- Height restriction (from 60 feet to requested 195 feet) and envelope angle from Riverside Drive.

A list of the proposed Code Amendments (EXHIBIT B-2) is provided after the Superiority Table.

A Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) was completed for this case. The TIA Memo (EXHIBIT B-3) is attached. Austin Transportation Department staff recommends:

- Signalization improvements at surrounding intersections
- Reassign an additional lane for northbound movement during the AM peak hour.
- Remove the on-street buffered bicycle lanes and reassign bicycle traffic to the cantilevered walkways and widen them where constricted.
- Dedicate a transit only lane for southbound traffic, or implement other transit capacity improvements in the southbound direction.
- Reconfigure the north end of the bridge to provide a dedicated left turn lane prior to the intersection with East Cesar Chavez.
- Install overhead lane assignment signal equipment, signs and pavement markings to permit the center lane to serve either northbound or southbound traffic.

These mitigation elements are estimated to total $1,825,000 as described in the TIA Memo. The signalization upgrades, lane pavement and restriping, added transit lane and reversible center lane to allow peak contraflow are considered mitigation for the added vehicle traffic the project will generate. The widening of the cantilevered walk/bikeways is considered “superior” infrastructure to address mobility needs. The applicant is supportive of providing fiscal to complete the mitigation if it is included in the South Central Waterfront District development fee. Staff is proposing to credit $1,070,000 for the walk/bikeways towards the development fee. A breakdown of the credits is attached (EXHIBIT B-4).

The PUD process requires an initial Development Assessment be presented to the Environmental Commission and City Council. On December 7, 2016 the PUD proposal was presented to the Environmental Commission and to the City Council, December 15, 2016. The following comments were made by Commissioners:

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION COMMENTS (December 7, 2016):
- Interested in seeing innovative approaches to providing on-site environmental superiority.
- Make sure this isn’t just another “Run-Tex” PUD with no real community benefits.
- Would like to see this project help improve the air quality in the adjacent park/trail areas.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS (December 15, 2016):
- Council Member Tovo is interested in seeing a greater number of affordable housing units.

ISSUES:
A consistent concern of all the advisory commissions and neighborhood associations is the lack of the financial structure described in the South Central Waterfront District Plan. The plan calls for Public Improvement District (PID) and Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) mechanisms to assist in accomplishing the public improvements and affordable housing. The PID is a privately created structure recognized by the City while the TIF is solely implemented by the City. Attached is a description of a PID and TIF as provided in the South Central Waterfront District Plan (EXHIBIT B-5).

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PLANNING AREA: Bouldin Creek NP

TIA: Yes

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**WATERSHED:** Lady Bird Lake (Colorado River)  
**CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR:** N/A  
**NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:**  
- Austin Heritage Tree Foundation  
- Austin Neighborhoods Council  
- Bike Austin  
- Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Association  
- Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Planning Team  
- Friends of Austin Neighborhoods  
- Homeless Neighborhood Association  
- Preservation Austin  
- Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group  
- South Central Coalition  
**SCHOOLS:**  
- Travis Heights Elementary School  
- Fulmore Middle School  
- Travis High School

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110 South Central Flyer |
| Riverside Dr.  | 85’  | 65’      | Arterial       | Yes       | Yes        | 1 – Metric/S. Congress  
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**CITY COUNCIL DATE:** Scheduled for March 8, 2018

**ACTION:**

**ORDINANCE READINGS:** 1st 2nd 3rd

**ORDINANCE NUMBER:**

**CASE MANAGER:** Andrew Moore

**PHONE:** 512-974-7604
CASE NUMBER: C814-2017-0001  
CASE MANAGER: Andrew Moore  PHONE #: 512-974-7604  

PROJECT NAME: 425 W. Riverside PUD  UPDATE: 3  

SUBMITTAL DATE: October 10, 2017  
REPORT DUE DATE: October 31, 2017  
FINAL REPORT DATE: November 15, 2017  
REPORT LATE: 15 days  

LOCATION: 425 West Riverside Drive (District 9)  

STAFF REVIEW:  
- 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.  

REPORT:  
- 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.  

ALL COMMENTS HAVE BEEN CLEARED OR AT INFORMAL.
Comments cleared.

**Electric Review** - Eben Kellogg – 512-322-6050

Comments cleared

**Heritage Tree Review** - Jim Dymkowski - 512-974-2772

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FYI—ADDITIONAL COMMENTS MAY BE GENERATED WHEN THE REQUESTED INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED.

**UPDATE 1:** 5-9-17
**UPDATE 2:** 8-25-17
**UPDATE 3:** 10-25-17

**HT 1**

UPDATE 3: Comment cleared for the PUD review stage. This commitment to a minimum of 100 inches of trees will need to be realized on the site plans for the PUD prior to their approval.

**HT 2**

As previously mentioned in the development assessment review, the PUD would need to commit to providing adequate soil volume for these proposed trees. This would include a minimum soil volume of 1,500 Cu. Ft. for each tree at a depth minimum depth of 3’.

**UPDATE 1:** Please show how at the proposed spacing between street trees the PUD can achieve 1,500 Cu.Ft per tree. See HT 1 response. The proposed rain garden areas would not seem to be able to meet this area requirement if they were walled confined spaces. Please clarify if the planting zone is truly 8 feet or if it will really be 7.5 feet or less to account for the curb or any type of moisture barrier between the zone and back of curb. Comment pending.

**UPDATE 2:** Staff is still unclear how the overall inches to be planted number was derived as I only received one of the two exhibits mentioned in your response. Please provide at our next meeting for review. Soil volume will also be discussed and the commitments and exhibits needed for the final PUD document. Comment pending.

**UPDATE 3:** Thank you for the additional information and calculations. While the PUD proposed planting of a larger diameter street tree could be considered for some environmental superiority, it would normally be a proposal to plant more trees than what would be required that would carry more weight. The PUD proposes a starting overall total frontage a bit less than the current code scenario. It also proposes an additional loss of frontage to accommodate greater options for alternative transportation with two new bus stops. These additional losses in total only allow the PUD scenario to plant one additional tree than the current code option. In this case, it will be the guarantee to plant a shade tree of higher quality that will carry some environmental superiority. To this point, because a multiplier has been used in both calculations to estimate loss due to utility conflicts and not on the ground verification staff is still not able to support the overall tree planting estimates.
Please also revise your soil commitments and notes to be consistent with the last update. These should include the larger 1540 CY soil volume required in locations other than ones with utility conflicts. In those cases where it is proven utility conflict then 1000 CY minimum is accepted with the use of soil cells. Comment pending.

HT 3 All trees proposed should come from the ECM appendix F. Please revise PUD note #21.

UPDATE 1: Please revise the note, as it should only reference appendix F, not native or adaptive. Comment pending.

UPDATE 2: For greater environmental superiority, the PUD should propose for tree planting a tree and planting guideline that would include things like better nursery standards for form and growth and handling/planting standards.

UPDATE 3: Using the ANSI planting standards is acceptable but not superior, as these would be done anyway. Please explore additional standards for tree quality, to assure the best possible tree stock is available for the PUD. These could include presence of visible root flare a time of planting and no girdling roots. Comment pending.

FYI: Comments may be cleared informally.

TIER 1 REQUIREMENTS (Division 5. Planned Unit Developments)

TR1. Requirement 2.3.1.G Public Facilities: clarify how the proposed Complete Streets and ROW dedication will be superior to the current Complete Streets Policy Ordinance #20140612-11 and Core Transit Corridor ROW standards.
   U1: Please demonstrate compliance with street designs discussed in meeting at ATD on 5/19/2017.
   U2/U3: Streetscapes comply as requested; comment pending final ATD and TIA approval.

TR2. Comment cleared.

TR3. Comment cleared.

TR4. Requirement 2.3.2.B Commercial Design Standards: Specifically clarify how the PUD will exceed Core Transit Corridor Standards.
   U1: Please demonstrate compliance with street designs discussed in meeting at ATD on 5/19/2017.
   U2/U3: Streetscapes comply as requested; comment pending final ATD and TIA approval.

TIER 2 REQUIREMENTS (Division 5. Planned Unit Developments)

TR5. Comment cleared. Great Streets not applicable because site is subject to Subchapter E.

TR6. Comment cleared.

TR7. Requirement Transportation: 1. Clarify how the proposed Complete Streets will be superior to the current Complete Streets Policy Ordinance #20140612-11. 2. Core Transit Corridor sidewalk construction is already required; clarify how this PUD will provide superior sidewalk construction. 3. Clarify how the specific bicycle and pedestrian facilities elements will be superior to Core Transit Corridor requirements; once received, this reviewer will forward to ATD
and PWD for review. Associated comments will follow.

U1: Please demonstrate compliance with street designs discussed in meeting at ATD on 5/19/2017.

U2/U3: Streetscapes comply as requested; comment pending final ATD and TIA approval.

TR8. Comment cleared.

TR9. Comment cleared.

**CODE MODIFICATIONS**

TR10. –TR13 Comments cleared.

**ZONING**

TR14. Comment cleared; informational.

TR15. A traffic impact analysis is required and has been received. Additional right-of-way, participation in roadway improvements, or limitations on development intensity may be recommended based on review of the TIA. [LDC, Sec. 25-6-142]. Comments will be provided in a separate memo.

U2/U3: Demonstrate compliance with requirements provided in TIA memo.

TR16. Existing Street Characteristics:

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TR17. Comment cleared. Understood wayfinding signs proposed in Downtown Austin Wayfinding Program are shown to be located on private land not owned by the applicant. Applicant is willing to work with Urban Design on wayfinding strategies during site plan process.

Environment Officer – Andrea Bates - 512-974-2291

Update 1 (U1): May 19, 2017
Update 2 (U2): September 1, 2017
Update 3 (U3): November 1, 2017

EO 1. The Superiority Table states that the PUD will include 7,520 square feet of open space, which is 12% of the site area. Please provide additional information about the location and character of the proposed open space. Where will it be located on site? Will it be a vegetated area or hardscape?
U1: Please identify the proposed open space areas on the land use plan and calculate the size of each area. Please provide additional details about the elevation and connectivity of the plaza areas. The open space should be accessible and identifiable as a public area; it should not be fragmented into a sidewalk level and a building entrance level with an elevation change, stairs, railing, etc.

U2: Open Space A looks like it meets the requested criteria in U1. The bike lane shown as Open Space B should not be counted as open space. Please discuss Open Space C with staff; from the exhibit it looks like the elevated patio will comprise most of the open space at the corner of 1st and Barton Springs.

U3: The proposed Open Spaces A, B, C, and D (green roof) are acceptable, as is the minimum commitment of 15% of the site. However, please prepare an open space exhibit that can be included with the PUD ordinance. (Something like the submitted exhibit can be used, but it currently says “for informational purposes only – Update 2”). This comment can be cleared informally.

EO2. As proposed, the PUD does not meet the Tier 1 open space requirements. The Tier 1 requirement would be 20% of the tract for an office use, or less “if other community benefits are provided.” Staff does not believe that the proposed community benefits are adequate to compensate for the reduced open space. The PUD does not currently meet the Tier 2 open space element either; Tier 2 requires a 10% increase from Tier 1 requirements, not an increase from the baseline open space requirements in Subchapter E.

U1: Comment pending; please provide additional information regarding other community benefits that will be provided. It is possible that the off-site raingarden could be considered open space if the area is designed as a public plaza.

U2: Comment pending. The Subchapter E requirements are not relevant to the PUD, because there are specific Tier 1 and Tier 2 requirements for open space. I agree that the site might qualify for the reduction if other community benefits are provided; please provide additional information regarding community benefits that will be provided in lieu of on-site open space. Please remove references to Subchapter E from the Tier 2 open space element. It can stay in Tier 1 as written if you like, but it is misleading to cite the Subchapter E requirement as the baseline for Tier 2 superiority. As proposed, the PUD does not meet the Tier 2 open space element, and it will only meet Tier 1 if other community benefits are provided.

U3: The minimum commitment of 15% open space meets the Tier 1 requirement given the other community benefits provided by the project. However, the PUD does not meet the Tier 2 requirement and will not receive environmental superiority credit for additional open space. Please delete the current language in the Tier 2 open space element. This comment can be cleared informally.

EO3. Please confirm whether planting 5” caliper street trees at 22’ to 28’ on center is feasible for the proposed project. The Tier 1 Landscaping element should be updated to state that all plant materials shall be included in the City’s “Grow Green Native and Adapted Landscape Plants” guide, rather than referring to low water use, drought tolerant species. Please update the table to clarify that trees shall be selected from ECM Appendix F, not “compatible” with Appendix F.

U1: Comment pending. Please revise the landscaping element in the superiority table to specify that all plant materials shall be selected from the City’s “Grow Green Native and
Adapted Landscape Plants” guide and that trees shall be selected from ECM Appendix F. The existing language is not specific enough (and delete “where possible”). Please specify the minimum soil volume to be provided for the street trees, and provide additional information about how that volume will be achieved. This may require a commitment to using Silva cells. As proposed, the project does not achieve landscaping superiority; we recommend committing to 1,500 cubic feet of soil volume using Silva cells where necessary, and providing stormwater irrigation for the landscape areas (e.g., using cisterns).

U2: It does not appear that going from 30-foot to 28-foot minimum spacing actually results in additional street trees. Increasing the caliper inches is not as important as increasing the number of trees planted. Please clarify how the number of street trees exceeds current code requirements. Please move the language regarding species diversity, plant selection, and Grow Green from the “Tree plantings use Central Texas seed stock…” Tier 2 element to the Tier 1 landscaping element. Please specify the non-potable water sources to be used for landscape irrigation.

U3: Comment cleared. The Heritage Tree reviewer and I have several remaining questions about the total caliper inch and soil volume calculations. However, these can be addressed informally.

EO5. Please provide additional information about the water quality controls proposed within the ROW. Which street(s) will include ROW controls? How much area will they treat? Who will maintain the controls in the ROW after construction?

U1: Please identify the location and size (length, width, depth) of the proposed rain garden, and calculate the approximate treatment area based on the proposed size. This offsite treatment should be described in the superiority table under the “Provides water quality treatment for currently untreated, developed off-site areas of at least 10 acres in size.”

U2: Staff would like the PUD to include rain gardens in the adjacent right-of-way(s), treating as large of a drainage area as possible, as well as the off-site rain garden at Congress Ave. The off-site rain garden is an important component of the PUD’s environmental superiority. Please provide the information requested above; partial credit can be provided if the drainage areas are meaningful but less than 10 acres.

U3: What is the size (i.e., square footage) of the off-site area to be treated? This question can be addressed informally.

EO7. The superiority table states that the PUD will not modify the existing 100-year floodplain. Will the PUD include development within the floodplain? If so, that would probably be considered a floodplain modification.

U1: If development is proposed in the floodplain, then the PUD will be modifying the floodplain as the term is used in this context. Please delete the response in the superiority table, which states the contrary. The development will be required to comply with 25-8-364 in addition to the floodplain requirements in 25-7.

U2: In this context, floodplain modification means a vertical or horizontal change in the cross section of the 100-year floodplain (see the definition in 25-8-1(10)). Development in the floodplain will be a floodplain modification under 25-8-364. This is separate from the floodplain requirements in 25-7. The PUD will probably be able to meet the current...
code requirements for floodplain modification, given the existing site conditions. However, it does not qualify for this superiority element; please delete the response.

**U3: Comment cleared.**

**EO8.** Please confirm whether it is feasible to acquire 5” caliper Appendix F street trees using Central Texas seed stock. Please provide additional details about the soil volume proposed for the street trees; staff’s preference for large trees is 1,500 cubic feet of soil.

- **U1:** A commitment to use Central Texas seed stock is not the same as planting native species. Please confirm with the Heritage Tree reviewer that it is possible to find 5” caliper trees of the selected species that have been raised locally. In staff’s experience, tree stock of the selected species is grown elsewhere. Please specify the minimum soil volume to be provided for the street trees, and provide additional information about how that volume will be achieved. This may require a commitment to using Silva cells.
- **U2:** Please reviewable criteria for “adequate soil quality” and “superior drainage” within tree wells, or delete those statements from the superiority table. Please delete the statement that the PUD will utilize Central Texas seed stock, since it is not a commitment that can be written into the ordinance. Please modify the response to provide more detail about the soil volume; specify some of the additional information from the exhibit.
- **U3:** Comment cleared.

**EO9.** As proposed, the PUD does not yet demonstrate environmental superiority. Staff understands the constraints of the small, urban site with few environmental features. However, the South Central Waterfront Plan calls for a district-wide approach to open space, green infrastructure, and eco-services. Staff would like to meet to discuss the PUD’s potential contributions to off-site open space and/or green infrastructure improvements, as envisioned in the SCW Plan.

- **U1:** Please provide additional information about the proposed off-site rain garden (e.g., location, size, layout, volume treated). To receive credit in the PUD, it must be clear that the applicant has the ability to complete this project. Are the necessary agreements with the City in place?
- **U2:** Comment pending. The off-site rain garden and beneficial use requirement are key elements of the PUD’s environmental superiority. Please continue to work out the details of both proposals with staff. On the beneficial use side, staff would like the PUD to incorporate a green roof, green wall, and/or internal use of storm water in order to beneficially use a larger percentage of the site’s water quality volume.
- **U3:** After working through the challenges of meeting the 95th percentile beneficial use standard on this site, staff has refined the CodeNEXT proposal for sites with more than 80% impervious cover. We will contact the applicant’s team with details on the new proposal. We are optimistic that revisions to achieve the new standard can be addressed informally. Since the PUD is not proposing to construct the improvements for the plaza at Barton Springs and Congress, staff is requesting that the PUD commit to using reclaimed water by extending purple pipe along the length of the property and plumbing the building for indoor use of reclaimed water. Austin
Water can provide additional details about the request. Use of reclaimed water will contribute to the project’s environmental superiority; however, WPD requests that reclaimed water not be used for irrigation given the site’s proximity to the lake. Finally, we are still interested in the possibility of a green wall; what are the applicant’s thoughts on whether that would be feasible for the project? Comment can be cleared informally.

EO10. U1: Please delete the response to the superiority element “Provides water quality controls superior to those otherwise required by code.” The commitment to using green controls and providing controls for offsite areas are addressed under different superiority elements.
   U2: There are three superiority elements related to water quality: superior controls, green controls, and off-site treatment. We agree that the project’s commitment to beneficial use can be listed under the first element, “Provides water quality controls superior to those otherwise required by code.” Please specify the volume of water that will meet the beneficial use standard; “a portion” is not specific enough. Delete the reference to green controls from the “superior controls” element, because it is covered under the subsequent superiority element. (The PUD gets credit for both; however, the superiority table should not list the same information in multiple places.)
   U3: The superiority table will need to be updated to reflect the new approach for beneficial use. Changes can be addressed informally.

EO11. U1: In general, all superiority elements and requested code modifications should be reflected in the superiority and code modification tables rather than in notes to the land use plan. The superiority and code modification tables will be used to draft the PUD ordinance. Notes should only be used if necessary to provide a level of detail beyond what will be written into the ordinance. The existing environmental notes are very general and could create unanticipated conflicts or confusion at the time of site plan review. Please delete all of the existing Environmental Notes and incorporate that information into detailed responses in the superiority table. (New notes with specific details may be added later on if necessary.)
   U2: I understand that PAZ wants the notes to remain; I will provide feedback on the language if needed prior to Commission and Council review. However, the superiority table should still include detailed information because it is an important resource during the public review process. I think the PUD should also include a code modification table; I will confirm with PAZ.
   U3: Some notes will need to be updated to respond to the above comments. Changes can be addressed informally.

EO12. U3: In the Tier 1 Landscaping superiority element, please revise #1 to state that irrigation for all landscape areas – not just required landscape areas, but all landscaping installed on the site – will be 100% nonpotable water from either captured rainwater or AC condensate. Given the high nutrient content of the City’s reclaimed water, WPD does not want it used for irrigation on a site so close to the lake. This comment can be addressed informally.

EO13. U3: Please delete the response for the superiority element “Reduces impervious cover by five percent below the maximum otherwise allowed by code…” WPD just
confirmed with PAZ staff that the impervious cover limit under current zoning is also 95%. The PUD is not reducing the impervious cover entitlement from what could be built under current zoning. This comment can be addressed informally.

EO14. U3: Under the superiority element “Employs other creative or innovative measures to provide environmental protection,” please delete the references to the green roof and the beneficial use. Both of those items are discussed elsewhere in the Tier 2 table and shouldn’t be repeated here. Please revise the language on the purple pipe extension to reflect AW’s (and WPD’s) request. This comment can be addressed informally.

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

TIA response is pending.

Austin Transportation Dept. Bicycle and Pedestrian Review – Nathan Wilkes 512-974-7016

#1 Corner radiiases: I’m OK with the 25’ radius representation on the land use plan – Exhibit C under the assumption that these show effective radiiuses and that details of ADA ramp and bikeway configurations and actual curb radiiuses will be decided at site plan (while conforming to the effective radius.

#2 On exhibit C, note 4 should be removed. In the above comment we need to retain the ability to design the corners and bikeway interactions at site plan. A single curb ramp is not preferred from an pedestrian / bicycle design and may not align with ADA requirement / best practices.

#3 Bicycle Lane Width - the bicycle lane widths do not conform to the original drawing I sent in May. In the attached Exhibit C and E I have marked up width changes. In short the following are the dimentional requirements for the bicycle lane in a few scenarios: If pavement on either side of bicyle lane is not ridable than 7' is the minimum bikeway dimention.

    If there is a dropoff into a rain garden there needs to be a hand rail that is recessed from the bike lane by 6" as to not incroach in the bicycle lane space (handrails should be added to re;evamt cross sections in exhibit E. If there is ridable pavement on both sides of the bike lane the minimum acceptable dimention is 6'

Comments can be addressed informally.
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This project is located at 425 WRIVERSIDE DR and is within the Town Lake watershed(s), which are classified as Urban Watersheds. This project located within the Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone.

**DE1. FLOODPLAIN / DRAINAGE EASEMENTS**

- The flood plain must be delineated on site plans, preliminary plans and/or plats. Supporting calculations, HEC-RAS models, profiles and cross-sections are often required to properly demonstrate the adequacy of the projected flood plain. A contributing area of 64 acres or greater is required to create a “floodplain” unless the City or FEMA currently indicates the area as a floodplain. In all cases where floodplain delineation is required, its determination shall be based upon the projected full development (based on zoning or watershed) of all properties contributing to the point of consideration.

  **U1-** Consult with Henry Price to know what is needed to develop on the site regarding floodplain regulation.

**DE2.** Comment cleared and to be addressed at the site plan stage. Easement may be required for floodplain. Clear floodplain requirements with the floodplain reviewer.

**DE3.** Comment cleared. Calculations at site plan will need to show that there is not a point discharge increase as per DCM 1.2.2. It appears that most flow will go into the storm drain system that is interconnected. Calculations will need to demonstrate that point discharge is not increased from existing conditions.

**DE4.** Comment cleared. Ensure drainage report is provided at site plan stage. This will need to include how the proposed ponds are not overtopping. Take conveyance of storm drain system and overflow of raingarden and 100 overflow into consideration.

**Update #3 – Friday, October 27, 2017**

EV 01 through EV 02 Update #3 Comments cleared.

Note: Consider growing vines on exterior walls (e.g., cross vine grown on exterior walls) to provide additional superiority.
FR 1 Provide documentation which verifies that Barton Springs and West Riverside will have a minimum of 25 ft unobstructed (no curbs, medians, etc) width. Also, verify that the minimum vertical clearance of 14 feet will be maintained (no trees, etc.). If these minimum requirements cannot be met, please contact the AFD Reviewer to schedule a meeting to discuss this issue.

Update #1 - Confirm that there will be no raised buffers or islands between the driving lanes and bike lanes on Riverside and Barton Springs. Also, verify that the turning radii on all three roads comply with an interior turning radius of 25 ft and an exterior turning radius of 50 ft.

Update #2 – Provide an exhibit with dimensions for the driveway lanes which show that a 25 ft unobstructed pavement width is proposed. The 2ft bike curb buffer should not be included in the width, since AFD will not drive on/over the buffer. Also, provide a full size scaled drawing showing the streets and turning radii so that AFD can verify that turns can be made without driving into oncoming traffic.

Update #3 – Comment cleared.

Comments Cleared.

PUD ZONING (LAND PLAN)

SP 1 –SP 6 Comments cleared
SP 7 Comment cleared.
SP 8 Comment cleared, FYI only.

NPZ Water Quality Review - David Marquez 512-974-3389

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WQ2. Provide the 2 year water quality designed to the City Standards. Water quality is required for sites with impervious cover greater than 8,000 SF “In an urban watershed water quality controls are required in accordance with the Environmental Criteria Manual 1.6.0; and new development must provide for removal of floating debris from stormwater runoff” LDC 25-8-211.

U1- Comment pending. This comment may be cleared once beneficial reuse is completed. Updates will be address informally in meetings.

WQ3. Comment cleared. Impervious cover is being reduced to address 2-year flows.

WQ4. Comment cleared. Liner is not required

U3- With the proposal of treating offsite ROW water, provide a drainage area map of treated water and discharge information from the pond. With the water quality standards having a 48 hour drawdown time and a 1’ ponding depth max, the maximum treatment that a 1’ raingarden can treat is 1 cubic foot per 1 square foot of area for the rain garden no matter what the infiltration rate is. Since the rainwater tank will be used for irrigation, all rain gardens should follow this standard. The new required water quality volume will be 75% of what is calculated for R table water quality volume assuming that the conservation tank will capture 25% and will meet the irrigation requirements. Provide a feasible layout of all the raingardens/ storm water control measures. Can be addressed informally.

PAZ Zoning Review – Andrew Moore 512-974-7604

Previous comments cleared.

The PUD ordinance requires code modifications to be listed on the Land Use Plan. Please add these to Exhibit D. Update can be Informal.

PAZ - Comprehensive Planning Review (South Central Waterfront Plan) – Alan Holt - 512-974-2716

Status: Informal comments.

Continue working with staff to define the community benefit contributions as specified in the South Central Waterfront Master Plan.
WB 1 Item 2.3.1.F, please specify how the PUD proposes to achieve treatment of all runoff on site. This specification needs to include clarification on area proposed to be treated and storm size capability as well as what types of innovative water quality controls are being proposed to achieve this level of treatment.

**Update 1** Response noted. Please specify the potential best management practices that will be incorporated to achieve compliance with ECM 1.6.7, as well as Code Next provisions for Beneficial Use of Stormwater, in the language of Land Use Plan Notes, Environmental Note #20. This is especially important since, per your response to WB5, the project is not proposing to maximize the use of porous pavement, thus reducing the intended tools for achieving stormwater management requirements.

**Update 2** Response noted. **Comment cleared**

WB 2 Tier One table: staff recommends that this PUD exceed the code’s minimum landscaping requirements by incorporating landscape elements that enhance the ecological function of the site. The City is proposing a “Functional Green” landscape requirement as part of CodeNEXT, and this site would provide an excellent test case for the Functional Green approach. To achieve landscaping superiority, the PUD should incorporate landscape and water quality elements that enhance ecological function by: mitigating heat island; maximizing infiltration and beneficial reuse of stormwater; providing public access to green open space; maximizing soil volumes for trees on site; providing connectivity between stormwater and landscaping elements; providing habitat resources to pollinators; and avoiding the use of chemical controls for nuisance species on the landscape areas as part of an IPM plan. Please provide additional information about the proposed landscape elements within the PUD and describe how those elements provide the desired ecosystems services. Staff is happy to meet to provide additional information about the Functional Green approach.

**Update 1** Response noted. Please incorporate specific language related to Functional Green. Notes #22 and #23 only specify tree elements while functional green will encompass soil, water and vegetation to evaluate the ecosystem services provided.

**Update 2** Response noted. It is unclear how the project is maximizing the implementation of vegetated elements as part of the landscaping proposed. Please examine use of additional vegetated components, such as green walls and green roofs in the plan.

**Update 3** Informal update.

WB 3 If the PUD proposes development within the boundary of the 100-year floodplain, please explain how floodplain modification would be addressed.

**Update 1** Response noted. Although, per LDC 25-7-94 the proposed development is allowed within the 100-year floodplain, the provisions within LDC 25-8-364 still
apply. Please provide language that addresses how the proposed development will comply with these requirements.


**Update 3** response noted. Informal update.

WB 4 Tier Two table: environmental superiority has not been demonstrated for the tree plantings. Please specify how the PUD plans to exceed soil volume requirements, improve tree diversity, and maximize placement of trees within its boundaries. Mechanisms to achieve higher soil volumes can include silva cells and porous pavement providing soil connectivity for roots beyond tree planters.

**Update 1** Response noted. Please explain how proposed tree selection will not conflict with existing overhead electrical utilities. Response does not address superiority for soil volume requirements nor species diversity maximization.

**Update 2** Comment cleared.

WB 5 Tier Two table: please explain how the PUD intends to maximize the use of porous pavement within its boundaries.

**Update 1** Response noted. **Comment cleared.**

Applicant must pay a development bonus in-lieu fee to NHCD equal to $6 per bonus square foot minus the square footage provided for affordable housing on-site. The amount will be determined upon completion of the site development permit when total square footage is finalized.

**PARD / Planning & Design Review - Marilyn Lamensdorf - 512-974-9372**

Comments cleared.
A formal update is not necessary. Below are the remaining reviewers with informal comments. These comments will need to be cleared prior to staff presentation to the Environmental Commission.

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Reviewers at “Informal”:
Heritage Trees: *Jim Dymkowski*
Watershed Protection (Environmental Officer): *Andrea Bates*
Wetlands Biologist: *Ana Gonzalez*
Comprehensive Planning/South Central Waterfront Plan: *Alan Holt*
NPZ Water Quality: *David Marquez*
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EXHIBIT A-1
South Central Waterfront Area Plan

Related Planning Efforts

- Auditorium Shores Master Plan Bubble Diagram
- Boardwalk Construction 2012-2013
- Imagine Austin Growth Concept Plan

Neighborhood Planning Areas

South Central Waterfront Context

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<td>2.3.1.B.</td>
<td>Provide for development standards that achieve equal or greater consistency with the goals in Section 1.1 (General Intent) than development under the regulations in the Land Development Code. Section 1.1 states that &quot;[t]his division provides the procedures and minimum requirements for a planned unit development zoning district to implement the goals of preserving the natural environment, encouraging high quality development and innovative design, and ensuring adequate public facilities and services.&quot; The PUD encourages high quality development, innovative design, and adequate public facilities by incorporating the concepts of the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan.</td>
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<td>2.3.1.C.</td>
<td>Open Space</td>
<td>This site is an urban property located near downtown, which is nearby public parkland. Since this site is an unusual triangular shape with major roadways and pedestrian oriented use requirements on all three sides, a reduction in the required percentage of open space is warranted. The reduction is permissible under PUD open space exception (2), which allows the required percentage of open space to be reduced for an urban property with characteristics that make open space infeasible if other community benefits are provided. The PUD will include 15% open space, consistent with the standards in Section 2.7.3(A).</td>
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<td>Green Building</td>
<td>The PUD will comply with the City's Planned Unit Development Green Building Program, and will meet or exceed the 2-star requirements.</td>
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<td>2.3.1.E.</td>
<td>Neighborhood Plans, Historic Areas, Compatibility</td>
<td>The PUD proposal is consistent with the neighborhood plan. There are no applicable neighborhood combining district regulations, historic areas, or landmark regulations for the Property. The PUD is within the boundaries of the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan boundaries and is designed to comply with the plan. The PUD is also compatible with the adjacent properties and land uses.</td>
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<td>2.3.1.F.</td>
<td>Environmental Preservation</td>
<td>The Property currently consists of nearly 100% impervious cover. Environmental protection is being achieved by reducing impervious cover and treating 100% of the water quality volume on-site using innovative water quality controls outlined in COA ECM Section 1.6.7 (Green Stormwater Quality Infrastructure), to include the green stormwater quality control criteria modifications outlined in the PUD.</td>
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<td>Provide for public facilities and services that are adequate to support the proposed development including school, fire protection, emergency service, and police facilities.</td>
<td>The PUD proposes to include the following public facilities:</td>
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<td>2.3.1.H. Landscaping</td>
<td>Exceed the minimum landscaping requirements of the City Code.</td>
<td>The PUD will meet and exceed the landscaping requirements. All trees will be selected from Appendix F of the Environmental Criteria Manual. Irrigation source for required landscape areas will be from one or more of the following sources: captured rainwater or AC condensate, and if necessary, city-supplied potable water. Where trees will be planted with a tree grate or sidewalk over their critical root zone, silva cells (or similar) will be used to maximize soil volume and prevent soil compaction. A diverse planting species shall be utilized.</td>
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<td>2.3.1.I. Transportation, Connectivity</td>
<td>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.</td>
<td>The PUD proposes to adhere to the street designs provided by Nathan Wilkes and Austin Transportation Department, on May 19, 2017 and confirmed on October 5, 2017. This includes the following transportation facilities:</td>
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<td>2.3.1.J. Prohibit Gated Roadways</td>
<td>Prohibit gated roadways</td>
<td>The PUD will not include any gated roadways.</td>
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<td>2.3.1.K. Historical Preservation</td>
<td>Protect, enhance, and preserve areas that include structures or sites that are of architectural, historical, archaeological, or cultural significance.</td>
<td>There are no structures that are of architectural, historical, archaeological, or cultural significance.</td>
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<td>2.3.1.L. PUD Size</td>
<td>Include at least 10 acres of land, unless the property is characterized by special circumstances, including unique topographic constraints.</td>
<td>The PUD is approximately 1.4 acres in size. However, it is an unusual triangular shaped lot located in central Austin and has nearly 100 percent impervious cover.</td>
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<td>2.3.2.A. Commercial Design Standards</td>
<td>Comply with Chapter 25-2, Subchapter E (Design Standards and Mixed Use)</td>
<td>The PUD will comply with Subchapter E of the City's Land Development Code.</td>
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<td>Inside the urban roadway boundary depicted in Figure 2, Subchapter E, Chapter 25-2 (<em>Design Standards and Mixed Use</em>), comply with the sidewalk standards in Section 2.2.2., (<em>Core Transit Corridors: Sidewalks And Building Placement</em>)</td>
<td>The PUD will comply and/or exceed the sidewalk standards in Chapter 25-2, Subchapter E, Section 2.2.2. The sidewalk widths are proposed to comply with the SCW Plan and the street design plan provided by Nathan Wilkes and Austin Transportation Department on May 19, 2017. In addition, the street trees proposed will exceed Subchapter E by 3.5&quot; per tree. In addition, the minimum caliper inches of street trees proposed (100&quot; total) exceeds what would be required by Subchapter E.</td>
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<td>2.3.2.C. Commercial Design Standards</td>
<td>Contain pedestrian-oriented uses as defined in Section 25-2-691(C) (<em>Waterfront Overlay District Uses</em>) on the first floor of a multi-story commercial or mixed use building.</td>
<td>The PUD will comply with pedestrian-oriented uses on the first floor of a multi-story commercial or mixed use building. Note that all three streets surrounding the site are Core Transit Corridors. South First Street is designated as the Principal Street, as noted on Exhibit D.</td>
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<td>Open Space</td>
<td>Provides open space at least 10% above the requirements of Section 2.3.1.A. (<em>Minimum Requirements</em>). Alternatively, within the urban roadway boundary established in Figure 2 of Subchapter E of Chapter 25-2 (<em>Design Standards and Mixed Use</em>), 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>
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<td>Complies with current code instead of asserting entitlement to follow older code provisions by application of law or agreement.</td>
<td>Complies with current code.</td>
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<td>Provides water quality controls superior to those otherwise required by code.</td>
<td>The project will treat on-site runoff by capturing the full water quality volume. This commitment will be realized by:</td>
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<td>1. The site shall provide a minimum of 4,300 square feet of green/pervious area, which includes 2,500 square feet of green roof, 800 square feet of landscaping area, and 1,000 square feet of either rain garden or additional landscaping area.</td>
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<td>2. The site will capture and provide treatment for 100% of the required Capture Volume (AKA “Water Quality Volume”), based on the proposed impervious cover, per ECM 1.6.2-A.</td>
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<td>3. Up to 25% of the required Capture Volume may be treated with a rainwater harvesting system designed to drawdown in greater than 48 hours without needing to increase the total Capture Volume, given that a water balance is provided showing that the volume will be utilized within a maximum of 28 days (using July demand).</td>
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<td>4. The rainwater harvesting system should be sized to at least meet the irrigation demands of the minimum required on-site landscaping and adjacent street trees for a 28-day period (using July demand), as demonstrated by a water balance.</td>
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<td>5. The remainder of the Capture Volume may be treated with green water quality control, designed per ECM standards.</td>
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<td>6. The following rain garden design criteria shall be permitted in addition to the criteria outlined in the ECM. Rain gardens may be fed captured stormwater runoff at a controlled rate not to exceed 2.0 ft/day. Rain gardens may be fed runoff for up to 48 hours without requiring an increase in the total Capture Volume. If the feed time to the rain gardens exceeds 48 hours, the portion of the required Capture Volume that is treated by the rain gardens must be increased by dividing the volume by the BMP Design Factor, as determined by Figure 1.6.7.D-1, where ( \frac{WQV_{rwh}}{WQV_{ecm}} = 1.0 ). The rain garden feed time should not exceed 120 hours.</td>
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<td>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.</td>
<td>The PUD will utilize green stormwater quality controls as outlined in COA Sections 1.6.7 (Green Stormwater Infrastructure) and as modified in the PUD to treat 100% of the capture volume.</td>
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<td>Provides water quality treatment for currently untreated, developed off-site areas of at least 10 acres in size.</td>
<td>The PUD will provide rain gardens (totaling a minimum of 800 square feet of surface area) in the right-of-way of Barton Springs Road.</td>
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<td>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.</td>
<td>The PUD will reduce the current impervious cover from nearly 100% to 95%.</td>
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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>
<td>Not applicable. There are no waterways on this Property.</td>
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<td>Provides volumetric flood detention as described in the Drainage Criteria Manual.</td>
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<td>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,</td>
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<td>Proposes no modifications to the existing 100-year floodplain.</td>
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<td>Uses natural channel design techniques as described in the Drainage Criteria Manual.</td>
<td>Not applicable. There are no natural channels on the site.</td>
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<td>Restores riparian vegetation in existing, degraded Critical Water Quality Zone areas.</td>
<td>Not applicable. There is no CWQZ on this Property.</td>
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<td>Removes existing impervious cover from the Critical Water Quality Zone.</td>
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<td>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.</td>
<td>Not applicable. There are no heritage trees on site and there are no protected trees onsite.</td>
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<td>Tree plantings use Central Texas seed stock native and with adequate soil volume.</td>
<td>The PUD will meet and exceed the landscaping requirements of Subchapter E through the following:</td>
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<td>1. Irrigation source for required landscape areas will be from one or more of the following sources: captured rainwater or AC condensate, and if necessary, city-supplied potable water.</td>
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<td>2. In planting beds, the project will provide a diverse mixture of evergreen and deciduous shrubs, perennials and groundcover. All plant materials shall be selected from the City of Austin Grow Green Native and Adapted Landscape Plants Guide, will be drought tolerant and non-toxic. A minimum of 15% of the plants provided will be pollinator plants from the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center list of pollinator plants for Texas.</td>
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<td>3. The PUD will include a minimum of 100 caliber inches of street trees. If additional trees are provided beyond the minimum 100 caliber inches, the soil volume requirement shall not apply.</td>
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<td>4. The PUD will provide superior soil volume at a minimum of 1,000 cubic feet of soil per tree. Up to 25% of this volume may be shared with adjacent trees in continuous plantings. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City Arborist may reduce the minimum soil volume required per tree due to constructability or utility conflicts. The PUD shall provide superior tree-well drainage with the use of load-bearing soil cells. Imported soil composition will be provided that adheres to the following range criteria: 5%-25% clay, 10%-25% silt, 20%-40% clay+silt, 15%-50% sand, 3%-5% organic matter, 6%-7.9 ph, which exceeds the minimum requirements of City of Austin Standard 601S. Refer to Exhibit G (Tree Planting Details) which illustrates PUD tree planting and soil volume strategy.</td>
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<td>5. A minimum of 2,500 square feet of roof area shall be Vegetated (Green) Roof, in compliance with the ICM – Appendix W – Performance standards.</td>
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<td>Provides at least a 50 percent increase in the minimum waterway and/or critical environmental feature setbacks required by code.</td>
<td>Not applicable. There are no waterways or CEFs on this Property.</td>
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<td>Clusters impervious cover and disturbed areas in a manner that preserves the most environmentally sensitive areas of the site that are not otherwise protected.</td>
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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>2. An integrated pest management plan will be developed. 2. The building will be constructed using a purple pipe system to allow acceptance of reclaimed water supply from the City for non-potable water uses within the building. Additionally, the property will construct an extension of the future reclaimed water line, estimate to cost $349,000, in front of the site which is a community benefit outlined in the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan.</td>
<td>Provides a rating under the Austin Green Builder Program of three stars or above.</td>
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<td>Great Streets</td>
<td>Complies with City's Great Streets Program, or a successor program. Applicable only to commercial, retail, or mixed-use development that is not subject to the requirements of Chapter 25-2, Subchapter E (Design Standards and Mixed Use).</td>
<td>The PUD will participate in the Art in Public Places program.</td>
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<td>Community Amenities</td>
<td>Provides community or public amenities, which may include spaces for community meetings, community gardens or urban farms, dry care facilities, non-profit organizations, or other uses that fulfill an identified community need.</td>
<td>Not applicable. There are no creeks or waterways on the Property.</td>
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<td>Provides rainwater harvesting for landscape irrigation to serve not less than 50% of the landscaped areas.</td>
<td>The Project will capture rainwater and HVAC condensate on-site and will irrigate 100% of landscape areas with captured water.</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>Employs other creative or innovative measures to provide environmental protection.</td>
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<td>Provides art approved by the Art in Public Places Program in open spaces, either by providing the art directly or by making a contribution to the City's Art in Public Places Program or a successor program.</td>
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### Transportation
- Provides bicycle facilities that connect to existing or planned bicycle routes or provides other multi-modal transportation features not required by code.

- The PUD will design and construct buffered bike lanes along all street frontages, creating a superior trail connection, which shall include:
  1. Bike lanes shall be a minimum of 6’ in width in locations where a flush, rideable surface is adjacent to the bike lane.
  2. Bike lanes shall be a minimum of 7’ in width in locations where the surface adjacent to the bike lane is not rideable.
  3. Visible 6” height edge detection shall be provided in locations where the bike lane is adjacent to any drop off greater than 2”.

- The PUD will include a B-Cycle station within the ROW, subject to final design and coordination with B-Cycle, at the time of site plan.

- The PUD will provide bicycle valet and protected bike storage for tenants and guests.

- The PUD will include a minimum of six (6) electric vehicle charging stations.

### Building Design
- Exceeds the minimum points required by the Building Design Options of Section 3.3.2. of Chapter 25-2, Subchapter E (Design Standards and Mixed Use).

- The PUD will achieve a minimum of 6 points under Subchapter E, Section 3.3.2. Base code would require 3 points.

- The PUD shall comply with Façade Articulation requirements as included in Section 3.3.2(D)1, on building frontages not containing a pedestrian-oriented use.

### Parking Structure
- In a commercial or mixed-use development, at least 75 percent of the building frontage of all parking structures is designed for pedestrian-oriented uses as defined in Section 25-2-691(C) (Waterfront Overlay District Uses) in ground floor spaces.

- The PUD will meet the Parking Structure Frontage requirements and at least 75% of the building frontage of all parking structures will be designed for pedestrian-oriented uses as defined in Section 25-2-691(C) (Waterfront Overlay District Uses) in ground floor spaces.

- The PUD will include 100% pedestrian oriented uses along the Principal Roadway, S. 1st Street and all intersection corners will be activated with pedestrian oriented uses and open spaces.

### Affordable Housing
- Provides for affordable housing or participation in programs to achieve affordable housing.

- If residential uses are provided on-site, the affordability requirements are as follows:
  - 10% of rental units will be available for households earning no more than 50% of the Annual Median Family Income (AMI) in the Austin Metropolitan Statistical Area (AMSA).
  - 10% of owner-occupied units will be available for households earning no more than 120% of AMI in the AMSA.

### Historic Preservation
- Preserves historic structures, landmarks, or other features to a degree exceeding applicable legal requirements.

- Not applicable.

### Accessibility
- Provides for accessibility for persons with disabilities to a degree exceeding applicable legal requirements.

- The PUD will exceed applicable legal requirements for accessibility for persons with disabilities through the addition of extra accessible parking spaces and accessible bathrooms.
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<td>Provides space at affordable rates to one or more independent retail or restaurant small businesses whose principal place of business is within the Austin metropolitan statistical area.</td>
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<td>Project Specific Superiority Items</td>
<td>Sustainability: Carbon Impact Statement Pilot</td>
<td>Opportunity to participate in pilot program, alongside the Office of Sustainability.</td>
<td>The PUD is proposed to be the first to participate in the City's Carbon Impact Statement pilot project and commits to demonstrating leadership by achieving a minimum of nine (9) points. The carbon impact statement and supporting documentation is included in the PUD update package.</td>
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| Section 25-1-21(48) Height; Definitions; Measurements | Height, when used in reference to a building, means the vertical distance from the average of the highest and lowest grades adjacent to the building to:  
(a) for a flat roof, the highest point of the coping;  
(b) for a mansard roof, the deck line;  
(c) or a pitched or hip roof, the average height of the highest gable; or  
(d) for other roof styles, the highest point of the building. | Height, when used in reference to a building, mean the vertical distance from the highest finished floor elevation of a structure located on the lot or site to:  
(a) for a flat roof, the highest point of the coping;  
(b) for a mansard roof, the deck line;  
(c) or a pitched or hip roof, the average height of the highest gable; or  
(d) for other roof styles, the highest point of the building. | To allow flexibility with respect to how height is measured on the site due to the impact realized by the floodplain. |
<p>| Section 25-2, Subchapter E, §2.2, 2.2.1.B., Applicability | The roadway with the highest level of priority adjacent to the lot or site is considered the “principal street” for purposes of this Subchapter. For a lot or site that is adjacent to more than one roadway of equal priority, the development shall be subject to the standards associated with the roadway with the highest level of transit services, as determined by the Director, or if the roadways do not have transit service or the level of transit service is equal, the roadway designated by the lot owner. | Section 25-2, Subchapter E, §2.2, 2.2.1.B. is clarified so that South First Street is the principal street. | All three streets surrounding the site are core transit corridors. |
| Section 25-2, Subchapter E, §2.5, 2.5.2.C, Lighting of Building Facades. | 1. Buildings and structures shall be illuminated by fixtures that are either fully-shielded or full cut-off and may only be used to highlight specific architectural features. However, existing building mounted fixtures that are not fully-shielded or full cut-off may be replaced with lighting that is fully-shielded or full cut-off. This provision shall not apply to buildings in the downtown that are at least 120 feet tall, so long as such buildings contain no trademarked design features (not including | Section 25-2, Subchapter E, §2.5, 2.5.2.C is waived. | To allow lighting standards for the building that will be similar to downtown buildings. |</p>
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<td>A PUD District must include at least 10 acres of land, unless the property is characterized by special circumstances, including unique topographic constraints.</td>
<td>Section 25-2-144 (D) is waived.</td>
<td>At this time PUD is only way to address height and community benefits described in the SCWP.</td>
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<td>Section 25-2-691(D)(2) Waterfront Overlay (WO) District Uses</td>
<td>Pedestrian oriented uses in an MF-1 or less restrictive base district may be permitted by the Land Use Commission above the ground floor of a structure.</td>
<td>Section 25-2-691(D)(2) is modified such that pedestrian oriented uses are permitted above the ground floor of a structure.</td>
<td>To allow pedestrian oriented uses on other floors of the building.</td>
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<td>Section 25-2-721(E) Waterfront Overlay (WO) Combining District Regulations</td>
<td>(E) This subsection provides design standards for buildings. (1) Exterior mirrored glass and glare producing glass surface building materials are prohibited. (2) Except in the City Hall subdistrict, a distinctive building top is required for a building that exceeds a height of 45 feet. Distinctive building tops include cornices, steeped parapets, hipped roofs, mansard roofs, stepped terraces, and domes. To the extent required to comply with the requirements of Chapter 13-1, Article 4 (Heliports and Helicopter Operations), a flat roof is permitted. (3) Except in the City Hall subdistrict, a building basewall is required for a building that fronts on Town Lake, Shoal Creek, or Waller Creek, that adjoins public park land or Town Lake, or that is across a street from public park land. The basewall may not exceed a height of 45 feet. (4) A building facade may not extend horizontally in an unbroken line for more than 160 feet.</td>
<td>Section 25-2-721(E) is waived.</td>
<td>To allow consistency with the South Central Waterfront Framework Plan and greater flexibility for innovative architectural design.</td>
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<td>Section 25-2-742(E), (F), and (G) South Shore Central Subdistrict Regulations</td>
<td>(E) For a structure property adjacent to and oriented toward Riverside Drive, a building basewall is required, with a maximum height of: (1) 45 feet, if north of Riverside Drive; or</td>
<td>Sections 25-2-742(E), (F), and (G) are waived.</td>
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<td>(2) 35 feet, if south of Riverside Drive.</td>
<td>(F) That portion of a structure built above the basewall and oriented toward Riverside Drive must fit within an envelope delineated by a 70 degree angle starting at a line along the top of the basewall with the base of the angle being a horizontal plane extending from the line parallel to and away from the surface of Riverside Drive. (G) The maximum height is: (1) for structures located between the primary and secondary setback lines, the lower of 35 feet or the maximum height allowed in the base zoning district; (2) for structures located south of Riverside Drive between South Congress Avenue and East Bouldin Creek, the lower of 45 feet or the maximum height allowed in the base zoning district; (3) for structures located within 100 feet of the right-of-way of South Congress Avenue or South First Street, the lower of 60 feet or the maximum height allowed in the base zoning district; and (4) for structures located in all other areas of the subdistrict, the lower of 96 feet or the maximum height allowed in the base zoning district.</td>
<td>In addition, this site is significantly constrained because it is small, triangular in shape, and has restrictions from both Riverside Drive and South First. Full compliance with the Commercial Design Standards on all three sides of the Property also significantly restricts the building’s design.</td>
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<td>Section 25-6-478, Motor Vehicle Reductions General</td>
<td>(A) Except as provided in Subsection (B) of this section, the minimum off-street parking required within the area bound by the following roads is 80% of that established by Appendix A (Table of Off-street parking and Loading Requirements)</td>
<td>Section 25-6-478 is modified such that the minimum off-street parking required within the area bound by the following roads is 60% of the total off-street parking required by Appendix A.</td>
<td>The mix of uses and location of the site require only 60% of the total off-street parking requirement.</td>
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<td>Section 5.3.1.K of the Transportation Criteria Manual</td>
<td>(K) All Type II and III driveways on undivided arterial streets shall be designed to align with opposing streets or driveways or be offset by a minimum of 120 feet (measured from edge to edge). All Type II and III driveways on undivided collector streets shall be designed to align with opposing streets or driveways or be offset by a minimum of 80 feet (measured from edge to edge). All Type II and III driveways on divided streets shall be designed to align with median breaks or be offset by a minimum of 100 feet (measured from the nose of the median to the nearest edge of the driveway). Alignment of driveways with opposing streets is discouraged for signalized intersections unless approved by the Directors of the Public Works Department and the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department. When such a design is approved, the driveway approach may be constructed without an apron and the maximum driveway widths in Table 5-2 may be increased to match the cross-section of the opposing street.</td>
<td>Sections 5.3.1.K and 5.3.1.N.3 of the TCM shall be waived administratively to accommodate the driveways shown on the Land Use Plan. A waiver shall be provided per Section 5.3.1.N.3 of the TCM to accommodate the driveways shown on the Land Use Plan. The driveway locations shown on the Land Use Plan are conceptual and modification and/or relocation shall be allowed during the site development process.</td>
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<td>The majority of the project is proposed to be office uses, which do not require significant loading zones.</td>
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3. The maximum height shall not exceed 35 feet. Exceptions from the maximum height limit under Section 25-2-121(a) shall apply. Section 25-2-121(b) is modified to allow the measurement of height to be made the vertical distance from the highest finished floor elevation of a structure located on the site.

4. For residential uses, the maximum allowable density is 2 units per acre.

5. The increase in density and level of community benefits shall be consistent with the current South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan.

6. If a leverage agreement is required for the rain garden located in the ROW, the City shall waive the annual fee associated with this improvement.

7. Pedestrian-oriented uses, per Code Section 25-4-290, are allowed on the second and upper levels of a structure.

8. Division I (site development regulations) and II (waterfront overlay district and subdistrict development regulations) with the following exceptions noted below and elsewhere in this PUD.

9. Section 25-2-120 (waterfront overlay and combining district regulations) as modified by this PUD. However, reflective surface building materials must not produce glare.

10. Section 25-2-702.71, 6.3 (South Shore Central Subdistrict Regulations) do not apply as the maximum building height is instead to comply with the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan.

11. The PUD shall comply with the applicable provisions of Section 25-2-128 (design guidelines and rules), except as provided below.

12. South First Street is designated as the principal street.

13. The project will participate in the Art in Public Places Program.

14. All signage on the property shall comply with the requirements of Section 25-10-129 (Downtown Sign District Regulations).

15. The PUD shall participate in the Carbon Impact Statement Pilot and achieve a minimum score of nine (9) points ("demonstrating leadership").

16. The PUD shall achieve a minimum of six points under Section 25-2, Subchapter E, Standard 3 (options to improve building design).

17. The PUD shall achieve a minimum of six points under Section 25-2, Subchapter C, Article 3, Division 7 (Waterfront District and Subdistrict Development Regulations), except as noted below and shown in the following table:

18. The PUD will provide additional accessible parking stalls beyond code requirements as well as additional accessible restroom stalls within the building.

19. Street sections and intersection corners include non-standard designs, and should be designed to implement the conditions depicted in Exhibit C Land Use Plan.

20. The plot plan includes a variety of parking stall types, including pedestrian gathering areas, final designs and locations of stops will be coordinated with ConCap at the time of site plan and will include concrete bus pads in the adjacent traffic lane.

21. At least 75% of the building frontage of all parking structures shall be designed for pedestrian-oriented uses as defined in Section 25-2-1450, in exclusive floor space. Building frontages not containing a pedestrian-oriented use shall comply with facade articulation requirements as included in Section 3.3.2.

22. The PUD will provide bicycle storage for tenants and building guests. The bicycle storage will be provided in the building or an alternative location approved at site plan. The protected bicycle storage will be located in the garage or an alternative location approved at site plan.

23. Planting species diversity. The right-of-way street trees will include no less than three (3) (apple tree species). In planting beds, the project will provide a mixture of evergreen & deciduous shrubs, perennials & ground cover. In addition to the planting mix, a minimum of 10% of plants provided will be polonieder plants from the Llano River Amazon Shrubway Content List. Polonieder plants for Texas.

24. All signage on the property shall comply with the requirements of Section 25-2-129 (Downtown Sign District Regulations).

25. The project will participate in the Art in Public Places Program.

26. The site development regulations and uses applicable to the PUD are those associated with CS-1 district zones and the waterfront overlay (WO) district, except as noted below and shown in the following table:
SUBJECT TRACT 1.3954 ACRES 65,762 SF

SOUTH FIRST STREET (R.O.W. VARIES)

TOTAL OPEN SPACE: APPROXIMATELY 9,000 SF (±15%) FROM THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES PER SUBCHAPTER E, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2.7.3: LANDSCAPE, PATIO/PLAZA, RAIN GARDEN, BIKE LANES AND GREEN ROOF.

NOTES:
1. LAYOUT FOR ILLUSTRATION.
2. DIMENSIONS SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE AND VARIED.
3. NON-STANDARD SECTIONS SHALL BE PERMITTED AT SITE PLAN BASED UPON THE LAYOUT PROVIDED HEREIN.

SUBMITTAL DATE: 12/30/2016
UPDATED: 12/13/2017

LEGEND
- 100 YEAR FLOODPLAIN
- CURB/EDGE OF PAVEMENT
- OPEN SPACE
- 100 FT
Carbon Impact Statement  
Project: 425 W. Riverside Drive PUD

Scoring Guide:
1-4: Business as usual  
5-8: Some positive actions  
9-12: Demonstrated leadership

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**Total Score:** 9

The Carbon Impact Statement calculation is a good indicator of how your individual buildings will perform in the Site Category of your Austin Energy Green Building rating.

Notes: The site is 1.45 acres, and the project would be a mixed use building to include approximately 270,525 square feet of office, 21,045 square feet of retail and ten residential units with a maximum height of 195 feet. A score of 9 demonstrates leadership by including many carbon-reducing or carbon-limiting factors in the project’s plans.
T1. Is any functional entry of the project within 1/4 mile walking distance of existing or planned bus stop(s) serving at least two bus routes, or within 1/2 mile walking distance of existing or planned bus rapid transit stop(s), or rail station(s)?

- Two Cap Metro floating bus stops to be included at the site

T2. Is there safe connectivity from the project site to an “all ages and abilities bicycle facility” as listed in the Austin Bicycle Master Plan?

- The project will design and construct buffered bike lanes along all street frontages

T3. Is the property location “very walkable” with a minimum Walk Score of 70 (found at walkscore.com), or will the project include at least five new distinct basic services (such as a bank, restaurant, fitness center, retail store, daycare, or supermarket)?

- The Walk Score is 83 – most errands can be accomplished on foot

T4. Does the project utilize two or more of the following Transportation Demand Management strategies: unbundling parking costs from cost of housing/office space, providing shower facilities, providing secured and covered bicycle storage, and/or providing 2+ car sharing parking spaces for City-approved car share programs?

- The project will provide secured and covered bicycle storage and provide shower facilities as well.

T5. Will the project include at least one DC Fast Charging electric vehicle charging station?

- The project will include a minimum of six electric vehicle charging stations, all stations will be DC Fast Charging Stations.

T6. Does the project utilize existing parking reductions in code to provide 20% less than the minimum number of parking spaces required under the current land development code (or 60% less than the code’s base ratios if there is no minimum parking capacity requirement)? NO

WE1. Will the project include on-site renewable energy generation to offset at least 1% of building electricity consumption? NO

WE2. Will the project include one or more of the following reclaimed water systems: large scale cisterns, onsite grey or blackwater treatment, and reuse or utilization of Austin Water Utility’s auxiliary water system to eliminate the use of potable water on landscape/irrigation?

- The project will include large scale cisterns onsite along with a reclaimed water line which will give the building the ability to tap into the City’s reclaimed water line as soon as Austin Water provides the infrastructure from the Long Center round about. It will treat 100% of the water quality volume on-site and will utilize 75% of captured water for beneficial use on-site.

LU1. Is the proposed project site located within one of the centers or corridors as defined in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan Growth Concept Map? YES

LU2. If located in an Imagine Austin activity center or corridor, will the proposed project use at least 90% of its entitled amount of floor-to-area ratio? YES

F1. Will the project include a full service grocery store onsite, or is one located within 1 mile of the project, or will the project integrate opportunities for agriculture to the scale as defined by Austin Energy Green Building?

- Trader Joe’s at Seaholm is 0.8 miles from the site.

M1. Will the project reuse or deconstruct existing buildings on the project site? NO
425 West Riverside Drive
Bouldin Creek, (TX/Austin/Bouldin_Creek) Austin (TX/Austin), 78704

Add scores to your site (professional/badges.php?address=425_West_Riverside_Drive_Austin_TX_78704)

Commute to Downtown Austin (compare/edit-commutes)
3 min 11 min 6 min 20 min View Routes

Favorite Map

Nearby Apartments (apartments/search/425-w-riverside-dr-austin-tx-78704)

Looking for a home for sale in Austin? (https://www.realtor.com/city/30818/TX/Austin)

Walk Score 83
Very Walkable
Most errands can be accomplished on foot.

Bike Score 96
Biker's Paradise
Flat as a pancake, excellent bike lanes.

View your latest Credit Scores from All 3 Bureaus in 60 sec-s-
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About this Location
425 West Riverside Drive has a Walk Score of 83 out of 100. This location is Very Walkable so most errands can be accomplished on foot.

This location is in the Bouldin Creek neighborhood in Austin. Nearby parks include Town Lake Park, Butler Park at Town Lake Metropolitan Park and Shoal Beach.

Travel Time Map
Explore how far you can travel by car, bus, bike and foot from 425 West Riverside Drive.

**Good Transit**

425 West Riverside Drive has good transit which means many nearby public transportation options. Car sharing is available from Zipcar, Getaround and RelayRides.

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Boulder Creek Austin

**Apartments for Rent**

View all Boulder Creek apartments (/apartments/search/TX/Austin/Bouldin Creek) on a map.

- **$1,753**
  - **Windsor South Lamar** (/score/prime-dow...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 72

- **$1,341**
  - **422 At The Lake** (/score/42...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 83

- **$1,409**
  - **State House on Congress** (/...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 81

- **$1,200**
  - **Willows** (/score/prime-dow...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 78

- **$1,295**
  - **Post South Lamar II** (/score/...)
  - Studio
  - Walk Score 79

- **$1,025**
  - **Townhollow** (/score/for-mo...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 86

- **$1,065**
  - **Tamblee 2208** (/score/1-1...)
  - Studio
  - Walk Score 76

- **$1,282**
  - **Timbercreek Apartments** (/...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 75

- **$1,785**
  - **The Catherine** (/score/2-bd...)
  - 1 bed
  - Walk Score 80

Popular apartment searches include pool (/TX/Austin/Bouldin Creek/pool, apartments), fireplace (/TX/Austin/Bouldin Creek/fireplace-apartments) and fitness (/TX/Austin/Bouldin Creek/fitness-apartments).

**Bouldin Creek Neighborhood**

425 West Riverside Drive is in the Bouldin Creek neighborhood. Boulder Creek is the 10th most walkable neighborhood in Austin (/TX/Austin) with a neighborhood Walk Score of 78.

Moving to Austin from another city? View our moving to Austin guide (/moving/to-austin).
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MOTION 20180103 008a

Date: January 3, 2018

Subject: 425 W. Riverside Planned Unit Development, C814-2017-0001

Motion by: Hank Smith  Seconded by: Linda Guerrero

RATIONALE:

WHEREAS, the proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD) is not asking for any modifications to environmental or drainage requirements, has been determined to have superior environmental elements by staff, and staff is supporting the PUD with conditions; and

WHEREAS, the proposed PUD has been used to establish baselines for both CodeNEXT as well as the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan.

THEREFORE, the Environmental Commission recommends support of the request for PUD zoning approval with the following

Staff Conditions: as outlined in the staff memo in the backup for this agenda.

Environmental Commission Conditions:

- The PUD must be considered by the South Central Waterfront Plan group prior to Council approval
- The Applicant will continue to work with staff to identify possible additional off-site water quality treatment
- The Applicant will continue to work with the City Arborist to evaluate management of the full tree canopy
- Power lines on the perimeter will be buried to promote full canopy growth for all street trees
- Encourage City Council to implement the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and Public Improvement District (PID) funding mechanisms, as those funds will go to funding of open space and park areas within the South Central Waterfront Master Plan
- Work with staff to develop a plan that could encourage public access to the green roof areas with a focus on public education
- Work with staff to develop a plan to utilize green screening for the project
- Work with staff to encourage use of pervious paving for sidewalk areas to provide a water source for planting areas.
VOTE 8-0

For: Perales, Thompson, Neely, Maceo, H. Smith, Coyne, Guerrero, Gordon
Against: None
Abstain: None
Recuse: None
Absent: B. Smith, Istvan, and Creel

Approved By:

[Signature]

Marisa Perales, Environmental Commission Chair
At their January 10, 2018 regular meeting, the Small Area Planning Joint Committee voted (5-1) to recommend their support to the Planning Commission for the 425 West Riverside Planned Unit Development (PUD).

As part of their motion of support, the Committee made several recommendations related to the South Central Waterfront District of the Waterfront Overlay and for the PUD. In relation to the district, they recommended that Tax Increment Financing District (TIF) and/or a Public Improvement District (PID) be created for the District as soon as possible. They also recommended that any funds collected for affordable housing be dedicated to projects within the District. In relation to the PUD, the Committee recommended that public have access to the proposed green roof; that the applicant work with the Austin Transportation Department on traffic demand solutions and parking requirements for the project; and the applicant work with City of Austin to get increased funds for nearby parks.
WHEREAS, the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan (SCW Plan) has been adopted by the City Council as an amendment to Imagine Austin; and

WHEREAS, the SCW Plan established a conceptual framework for allowing site-specific entitlement enhancements in exchange for on-site-and-districtwide community benefit contributions; and

WHEREAS, the SCW Plan forecasts that this conceptual framework could achieve the SCW Vision of creating a districtwide network of connected green streets, parks, trails, and public spaces (approximately 20 new acres), as well as 20% new affordable housing (approximately 530 units); and

WHEREAS, the SCW Plan recommends a series of implementation steps that include development and adoption of regulations and financial tools which will provide pathways to achieve the SCW Plan Vision; and

WHEREAS, the implementation steps listed above have not yet been adopted by the City of Austin, and

WHEREAS, the 425 W. Riverside Planned Unit Development (PUD) is the first major redevelopment project within the SCW district, has already been initiated and is currently seeking recommendations from the various City Commissions prior to seeking approval from City Council, and

WHEREAS, the applicant (Stream Realty) intends to use the SCW Plan as the basis of this PUD proposal in order to both pursue the additional building height entitlements that is projected for this site, as well as to provide the community benefits contributions that are intended; and

WHEREAS, generally throughout the district, the SCW Plan envisions raising the criteria for onsite water quality treatment and higher environmental and landscaping standards for all projects, and

WHEREAS, specific to this site, the SCW Plan envisions that this development would contribute $3.1 M to a SCW district fund (SCW Public Improvement District) which would restrict monies for use in the SCW district for mobility and green infrastructure improvements (including bike lanes, rain gardens, open space, greening of existing arterials, building new green streets, etc), as well as for gap financing for future affordable housing in the district; and

WHEREAS, the PUD proposes to provide higher onsite standards for water quality treatment, and environmental and landscape standards, in line with the SCW Plan Vision, and

WHEREAS, the PUD proposes to provide a higher parking ratio than required to address neighborhood concerns; and

WHEREAS, the PUD proposes to provide $3.1 M for community benefits, either by building those district improvements directly (which provides an in-kind contribution) or by providing a balance payment into a fund that is restricted for use for the district, as intended in the SCW Plan’s proposed SCW Public Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board (SCWAB) was established by the City Council, as recommended in the SCW Plan, in order to provide the City Council with recommendations on
Resolution on 425 W Riverside PUD  
SCWAB PUD Working Group

development projects within the SCW district and to provide the City Council with recommendations for implementing the SCW Plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the SCWAB PUD Working Group recommends that the SCWAB passes a motion recommending approval of the 425 W. Riverside PUD to the Planning Commission and the City Council with the following conditions:

1. The $3.1 M contribution is secured, either in-kind or in payment.
   a. Any in-kind contribution must advance the physical framework vision of the SCW Plan (i.e., build mobility or green infrastructure within the district) and those in-kind contributions are appropriately valued by staff review.
   b. Any payment contributions (balance due from $3.1 M after deducting in-kind contributions) must be deposited in a fund that is restricted in use for the SCW District until the SCW Public Improvement District can be established.
   c. The proposed, estimated $1.4 M contribution for affordable housing (the final number will be based on final bonus square footage @ site plan submittal @ $6/SF) must be restricted for use in the SCW district, as required by the SCW Plan.

2. The City Council directs the City Manager to provide recommendations and a proposal for enacting the SCW Public Improvement District (SCW-PID) as part of the Downtown Austin Alliance PID within 60 days.

3. The City Council directs the City Manager to commence necessary studies and prepare a draft ordinance to create the SCW Tax Increment Finance District (SCW-TIF) within 180 days.

4. Power lines on the boundary of the site will be buried by developer;

5. Incorporate the recommendations of the Environmental Commission as the project moves through the Site Development Permit Process.

Passed: January 30, 2018  
3 yea (Schissler, Guerrero, Casias)  
1 abstain (Smith)
RECOMMENDATION

South Central Waterfront Advisory Board

Recommendation Number: 20180208-3b

Brief Description: The South Central Waterfront Advisory Board (SCWAB) held a public hearing on February 8, 2018 to consider a Planned Unit Development (PUD) proposal for 425 W. Riverside Drive. The SCWAB passed this resolution which recommends that the City Council approve this PUD, pending detailed conditions of approval. The rational, recommendation and the conditions of approval are contained in the resolution below:

WHEREAS, the South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan (SCW Plan) has been adopted by the City Council as an amendment to Imagine Austin; and

WHEREAS, the SCW Plan established a conceptual framework for allowing site-specific entitlement enhancements in exchange for on-site-and-districtwide community benefit contributions; and

WHEREAS, the SCW Plan forecasts that this conceptual framework could achieve the SCW Vision of creating a districtwide network of connected green streets, parks, trails, and public spaces (approximately 20 new acres), as well as 20% new affordable housing (approximately 530 units); and

WHEREAS, the SCW Plan recommends a series of implementation steps that include development and adoption of regulations and financial tools which will provide pathways to achieve the SCW Plan Vision; and

WHEREAS, the implementation steps listed above have not yet been adopted by the City of Austin, and

WHEREAS, the 425 W. Riverside Planned Unit Development (PUD) is the first major redevelopment project within the SCW district, has already been initiated and is currently seeking recommendations from the various City Commissions prior to seeking approval from City Council, and

WHEREAS, the applicant (Stream Realty) intends to use the SCW Plan as the basis of this PUD proposal in order to both pursue the additional building height entitlements that is projected for this site, as well as to provide the community benefits contributions that are intended; and

WHEREAS, generally throughout the district, the SCW Plan envisions raising the criteria for onsite water quality treatment and higher environmental and landscaping standards for all projects, and

WHEREAS, the PUD proposes to provide higher onsite standards for water quality treatment, and environmental and landscape standards, in line with the SCW Plan Vision, and

WHEREAS, specific to this site, the SCW Plan envisions that this development would contribute $3.1 M to a SCW district fund (SCW Public Improvement District) which would restrict monies for use in the SCW district for mobility and green infrastructure improvements (including bike lanes, rain gardens, open space, greening of existing arterials, building new green streets, etc), as well as for gap financing for future affordable housing in the district; and
WHEREAS, the PUD proposes to provide $3.1 M for community benefits, either by building those district improvements directly (which provides an in-kind contribution) or by providing a balance payment into a fund that is restricted for use for the district, as intended in the SCW Plan's proposed SCW Public Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, the PUD proposes to provide a higher parking ratio than required to address neighborhood concerns; and

WHEREAS, the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board (SCWAB) was established by the City Council, as recommended in the SCW Plan, in order to provide the City Council with recommendations on development projects within the SCW district and to provide the City Council with recommendations for implementing the SCW Plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board (SCWAB) passed a recommendation that the City Council approve the 425 W. Riverside Planned Unit Development (PUD) with the following conditions:

1. The $3.1 M contribution is secured, either in-kind or in payment.
   a. Any in-kind contribution must advance the physical framework vision of the SCW Plan, (i.e., build mobility or green infrastructure within the district) and those in-kind contributions are appropriately valued by staff review.
   b. Any payment contributions (balance due from $3.1 M after deducting in-kind contributions) must be deposited in a fund that is restricted in use for the SCW District until the SCW Public Improvement District can be established.
   c. The proposed, estimated $1.4 M contribution for affordable housing (the final number will be based on final bonus square footage @ site plan submittal @ $6/SP) must be restricted for use in the SCW district, as required by the SCW Plan.

2. The City Council directs the City Manager to provide recommendations and a proposal for enacting the SCW Public Improvement District (SCW-PID) as part of the Downtown Austin PID within 60 days. The applicant/owner must submit a petition to join the Downtown Austin PID as a condition of approval.¹

3. The City Council directs the City Manager to commence necessary studies and prepare a draft ordinance to create the SCW Tax Increment Finance District (SCW-TIF) within 180 days.

4. Power lines on the boundary of the site will be buried by developer.

5. Incorporate the recommendations of the Small Area Planning Joint Committee, and the Environmental Commission as the project moves through the Site Development Permit Process.

Date of Approval: February 8, 2018 on a 5-2 vote (2 absent)

Record of the vote: 5 yes (Bailey, Casias, Godfrey, Guerrero, Schissler)
                  2 no (Franco, Todd)

Attest: ____________________________

Brooke Bailey, Chair, South Central Waterfront Advisory Board

¹This particular condition of approval (#2) references a proposal contained in the Downtown Austin Alliance (DAA) letter to the SCWAB, dated February 5, 2018. The DAA letter is attached, hereafter.
February 5, 2018

South Central Waterfront Advisory Board
P.O. Box 1088
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Chair Bailey and Members of the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board,

The Downtown Austin Alliance recognizes the unique and growing needs of the South Central Waterfront district. We participated as stakeholders in the creation of the South Central Waterfront master plan and supported its adoption and implementation. The Downtown Austin Alliance has considered the need created by the first district project since the plan was adopted, and we are pleased to offer this proposal to assist the South Central Waterfront.

Overview of a Public Improvement District’s Role for the South Central Waterfront

The South Central Waterfront Vision Framework Plan (SCW Plan) provides a financially feasible roadmap for transforming this 118-acre district into a new model for sustainable urban redevelopment. The SCW Plan forecasts that the City, in partnership with private property owners, can create a network of connected green streets, parks, trails, and open spaces (approximately 20 new acres) and achieve that 20% of the new housing units districtwide are affordable (approximately 530 affordable units).

The SCW Plan calls for creating an opt-in system whereby developers can receive additional zoning entitlements by adhering to the standards and provisions of a proposed SCW Overlay Zone. One of the provisions of the SCW Overlay Zone includes that developers pay a Community Amenity Fee which would be held in a restricted SCW Fund. Monies that are collected in this fund would be used to support the public realm improvements and/or affordable housing units within the SCW district, as called for in the plan.

Functions of a PID in the South Central Waterfront

The South Central Waterfront Master Plan calls for the creation of a Public Improvement District (PID) as a critical component to the implementation and success of the plan.

The PID would support the SCW Plan implementation in two ways:

First, the PID would collect an annual assessment fee from properties. This ongoing funding stream would be used to provide management for programs, district services, and additional maintenance of the ever-expanding and improving SCW public realm.
Second, a restricted SCW Fund would be set up to collect the one-time Community Amenity Fee that a development would pay by exercising the opt-in entitlements associated with the SCW Overlay provision. Monies collected in the SCW Fund would be used to cover a portion of the public realm and affordable housing costs for the district.

**Option 1: Creating a new Public Improvement District** Establishing a new PID in this area would take the majority of the property owners to agree and sign legal petitions authorizing its creation. The process is time consuming and can take more than a year to create, authorize, and approve, and then only if the owners agree to its creation. This route is also complicated since several properties in the SCW district are already in the Downtown Austin PID, which raises issues of how two adjacent PID s would coordinate to achieve the SCW plan.

**Option 2: Expanding the existing Public Improvement District** Six properties in the South Central Waterfront area are already in the Downtown Austin PID, which is managed by the Downtown Austin Alliance. These six properties comprise approximately 32 acres, or about a third of the acreage for all properties in the SCW district.

One way to address the creation of the PID functions as called for in the SCW Plan would set up a system where property owners not in the current PID could individually petition to join the Downtown Austin PID as a condition to opting in to the South Central Waterfront Overlay provision. This arrangement could meet the two-fold PID function as envisioned by the SCW Plan in this fashion:

First, upon joining the Downtown PID, property owners would pay the annual assessment fee which would be used, in part, to expand operations, management and maintenance services for an ever-expanding and improved public realm in the SCW district.

Second, the Downtown Austin Trust could create a corporation that could serve the functions of the South Central Waterfront Fund, as explained further below.

**More Details regarding the Operations and Maintenance functions of the PID**
The Downtown Austin Alliance recognizes the unique and growing needs of different areas and districts in the Downtown Austin PID boundaries. We recognize the dilemma of creating a new PID that intersects with the existing PID and would like to offer a way to achieve the goals of the master plan. Properties contiguous to the Downtown Austin PID can file a petition for inclusion. This process is simple and requires City Council action to adopt the petition. At the time owners join the PID, their properties become liable for assessment (10 cents per $100, with the first $500,000 in value exempt). Revenues collected pay for clean, safe and hospitality services, including graffiti removal, supplementary cleaning and trash pick-up, Downtown Ambassador patrol, and other services of the Downtown Austin Alliance. As the South Central Waterfront is developed, the needs of this district may be different from other areas of downtown, and the Downtown Alliance is prepared to work with the stakeholders of this area to prioritize services to meet its unique needs.

**More Details regarding the SCW Fund function**
In addition to expanding the boundaries of the Downtown Austin PID, the Downtown Austin Alliance is open to helping solve for the opt-in Community Amenity Fee requirements of the SCW Overlay provisions. In 1999, the Downtown Alliance created the Downtown Austin Trust, a 501(c)(3) organization with a separate board of directors, to accomplish downtown goals that are outside the
purview of the public improvement district. We also have the ability to create separate entities to act as fiscal agents for downtown projects. For example, in 2016 the Downtown Austin Alliance created Downtown Austin Parks LLC, as an arm of the Downtown Austin Trust to operate, manage and raise funds for the ongoing operations of Republic Square. Downtown Austin Parks, LLC has a management agreement with the City of Austin to operate the park, as well as a separate board of directors to help raise funds, provide fiscal oversight and ensure the marketing, programming and operations meet the vision and mission of Republic Square.

While historically the Downtown Alliance received the majority of its funding from PID contributions, we are now poised to make better use of the Downtown Austin Trust to build philanthropic and community contributions that help us achieve the goals of the downtown vision—from the creation of active parks and open space or workforce housing, to the preservation of cultural assets.

**As it pertains to the South Central Waterfront, the Downtown Austin Alliance can provide the following:**

1. Support for Downtown PID expansion in the South Central Waterfront area for any contiguous properties that submit a petition for inclusion in the PID.
2. A separate South Central Waterfront LLC 501(c)(3) could be created as a subsidiary of the Downtown Austin Trust, to be the fiscal agent for the district and hold the affordable housing and amenity fees.
3. A South Central Waterfront board of directors could be created to manage and oversee the LLC and its funds.
4. A management agreement could be created between the South Central Waterfront LLC and the City to play a larger development role for the parks, open space, infrastructure, affordable housing, etc.

Best regards,

Dewitt Peart
President and CEO