



MEMORANDUM

TO: Parks and Recreation Board

FROM: Jesus M. Olivares, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

DATE: September 18, 1996

SUBJECT: Pease Park, License Agreement
Phillip Bobitt - Driveway

Espey, Huston and Associates, on behalf of Phillip Bobitt, have requested approval of a license agreement for a driveway through part of Pease Park.

As you will see from the attached drawings, it is proposed to construct the driveway from Kingsbury to the rear of the property that fronts onto Windsor Road. Part of Pease Park is located between Kingsbury and Windsor Road and it is necessary for the driveway to cross parkland.

The driveway is proposed to rise 31' from an elevation of 515' at Kingsbury to 546' at the rear of the property. Espey, Huston, the consulting engineers, have calculated this to be a grade of 15.86% or approximately a slope of 1:6. Because of this steep grade, the driveway at the property line of the park would need to be cut on the uphill side and filled on the downhill side.

With 2:1 side slopes, the uphill side would be cut back to a height of approximately 10', and the downhill side filled to a depth of 2 1/2'. This construction would require a cleared width through the parkland of approximately 50'. If retaining walls were used, the disturbed width would be reduced to about 32' with vertical walls approximately 3' high on both up and downhill sides.

The existing parkland is undeveloped and in a naturally vegetated condition and forms natural buffer between the park and the adjacent properties.

The City Attorney's Department has reviewed the proposal and feels that a license agreement for this purpose would be appropriate and that on-going maintenance of the adjacent parkland could be considered as compensation for the license agreement.

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I am not satisfied that this request meets the requirements of Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code for the taking of parkland.

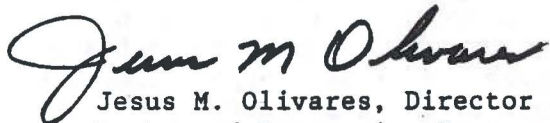
The two considerations that must be made are, are there feasible and prudent alternatives to the use of parkland? This proposed drive is not for primary access to the property, the primary pedestrian and vehicular access to the property is from Windsor Road, therefore I feel the first criteria has not been satisfied.

The second consideration, does the project include all reasonable planning to minimize harm to the park? The steep grade of the drive requires that substantial excavation and fill to elevate the road through parkland, which creates a cleared swath at least 30' wide through a natural vegetated buffer. I do not feel that this project minimizes harm to the park.

If I can provide you with any additional information please contact me.

Recommendation

I recommend that this request for a license agreement for a driveway through part of Pease Park be denied.



Jesus M. Olivares, Director
Parks and Recreation Department

JMO:pm



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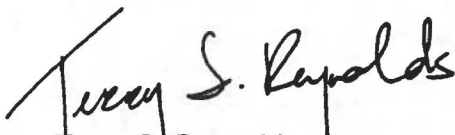
RE: Request for Placement on the Parks and Recreation Board Agenda
Philip Bobbitt License Agreement Application
EH&A Project No. 17029

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

On behalf of the property owner, we respectfully request that our application for approval of a license agreement be placed on the March 26 Parks and Recreation Board agenda for consideration. This proposal has been submitted to Mr. Peter Marsh of your office and Ms. Junie Plummer of Real Estates Services.

If you need additional information or support materials for inclusion in the packet for the Board members, please call me 329-8342, Extension 2045. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Terry S. Reynolds
Project Coordinator

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Enclosure

cc: Thom Farrell
Danny Martin - EH&A
Peter Marsh - City of Austin
Junie Plummer - City of Austin

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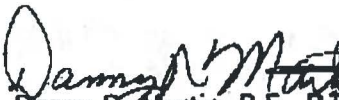
Re: Philip Bobbitt Driveway
EH&A Project No. 17029

Dear Mr. Marsh:

This letter is in response to concerns regarding the private driveway for Philip Bobbitt. This driveway will take access from Kingsbury Drive which is a park road and not in a public street right-of-way. This driveway will have a maximum slope of 18%. This slope will require stabilized slopes with a fill of approximately 12 to 15 feet. The driveway will be 12-feet wide. The connection to Windsor will be at a slope of less than 5%. The cost of the project will be provided to the owner after the preliminary plans have been completed.

Should you or other staff members have any questions or wish to discuss this driveway further, please contact me as soon as possible.

Sincerely,


Danny R. Martin, P.E., R.P.S.
Associate



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cc: Philip Bobbitt
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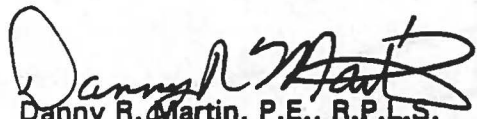
RE: Philip Bobbitt Driveway
- EH&A Project No.: 17029-01

Dear Mr. Marsh:

This letter is in response to concerns regarding the private driveway for Philip Bobbitt. The driveway will take access from Kingsbury Drive, which is a park road and not in a right of way. The driveway will have a maximum slope of 18% and will require stabilized slopes with fill of approximately 12 feet to 15 feet. The driveway will be 12-feet wide. The connection to Windsor Road will be at a slope of less than 5%. The cost of the project will be provided to the owner after the preliminary plans have been completed. The owner is aware of these design points and wants to construct the project. Because the project is a private residence (not a commercial site) and in the urban watershed, the 4-foot cut and fill limitation does not apply.

Should you or other staff members have any questions or wish to discuss this driveway further, please contact me as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance on this project.

Sincerely,


Danny R. Martin, P.E., R.P.L.S.
Associate

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cc: Philip Bobbitt
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FEASE
PARK

PROPOSED
DRIVEWAY

KINGSBURY

EAST WINDSOR RD.

510

520

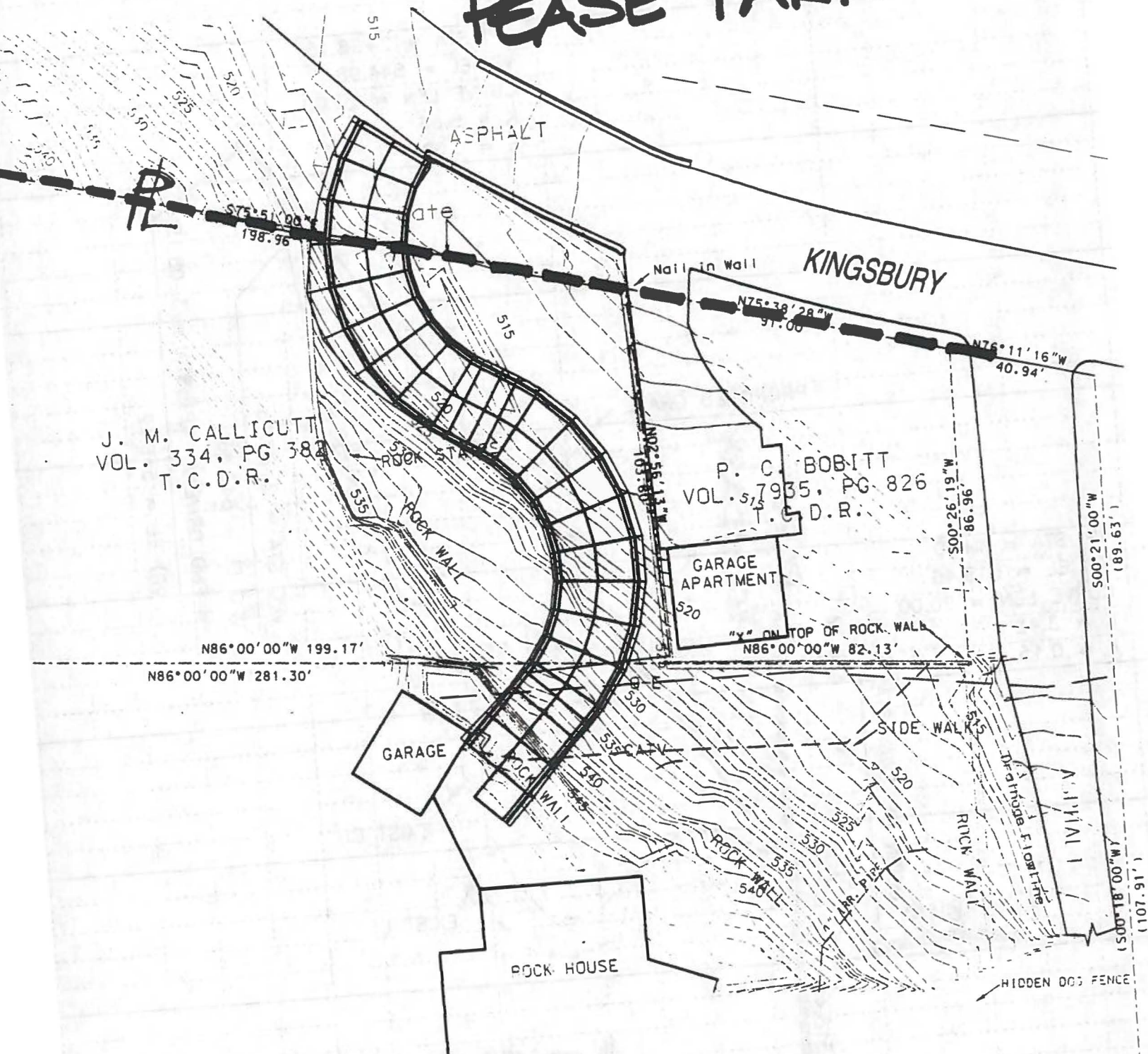
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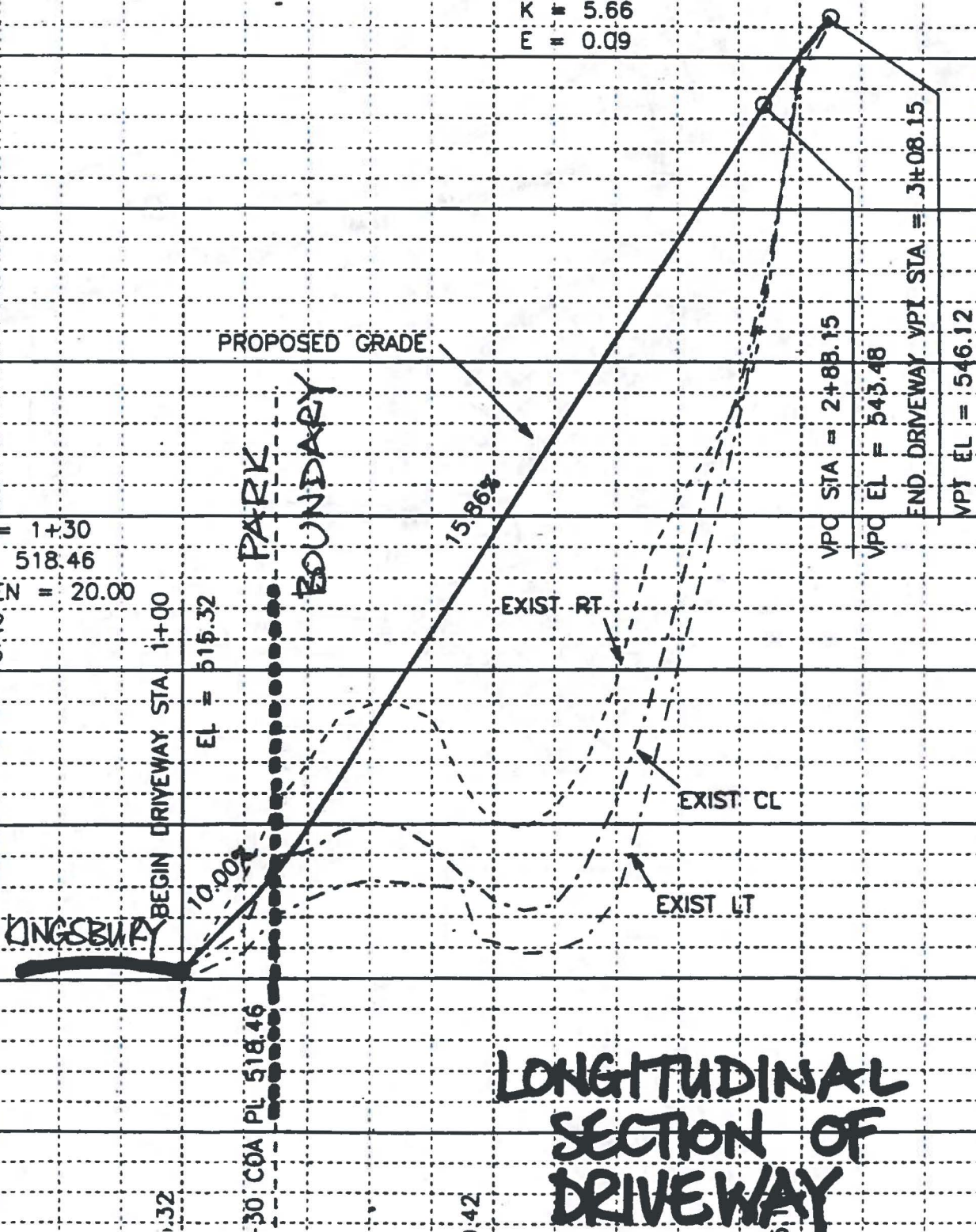
PEASE PARK



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VPI STA = 1+30
VPI EL = 518.46
CURVE LEN = 20.00
K = 3.42
E = 0.15

VPI STA = 2+98.15
VPI EL = 544.98
CURVE LEN = 20.00
K = 5.66
E = 0.09



CL ORIGINAL EL = 518.98
CL DESIGN EL = 518.48

PROPOSED GRADE

EXISTING GROUND

2:1 SLOPE

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50'

CROSS SECTION AT
PARK BOUNDARY

40.00 30.00 20.00 10.00 0 10.00 20.00 30.00 40.00