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### **ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET**

<u>CASE</u>: C14-2017-0066 Braker Lane Rezoning Part A <u>DISTRICT</u>: 1

**ZONING FROM: SF-2** 

TO: SF-4A and GR

ADDRESS: 914 East Braker Lane

SITE AREA: 3.0 Acres

PROPERTY OWNERS:

Richard Raymond Peterson and

Carol Ann Peterson Starr

AGENT:

Carlson, Brigance & Doering, Inc.

(Charles Brigance, Jr.)

CASE MANAGER: Heather Chaffin (512-974-2122, heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov)

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff supports the Applicant's request for rezoning from SF-2 to SF-4A and GR, with the condition that the Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) memorandum for the property be attached by public restrictive covenant and the required right-of-way be dedicated along East Braker Lane. For a summary of the basis of staff's recommendation, see case manager comments on page 2.

### **ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION ACTION / RECOMMENDATION:**

December 18, 2018:

December 4, 2018: To grant postponement as requested by Neighborhood to December 4, 2018, on consent.

November 20, 2018: To grant postponement as requested by Staff to December 4, 2018, on consent.

September 18, 2018: To grant postponement as requested by Staff to November 20, 2018, on consent.

August 21, 2018: To grant postponement as requested by Staff to September 18, 2018, on consent.

July 17, 2018: To grant postponement as requested by Staff to August 21, 2018, on consent. June 19, 2018: To grant postponement as requested by Staff to July 17, 2018, on consent.

## CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

December 13, 2018:

### **ORDINANCE NUMBER:**

### **ISSUES:**

This zoning case has been filed in conjunction with Braker Lane Rezoning Part B, City File # C14-2017-0100. The Part B rezoning is for property on the east side of Wedgewood Drive across from this site. A single TIA has been prepared to address transportation issues for both rezoning cases.

The rezoning request proposes approximately 1.2 acres of GR zoning located along Braker Lane at the intersection with Wedgewood Drive and 1.8 acres of SF-4A zoning more interior and adjacent to the residential neighborhood to the north and east.

### CASE MANAGER COMMENTS:

The subject property is located on the west side of Wedgewood Drive, northwest of the intersection with East Braker Lane. The property is approximately .20 miles east of the IH 35 frontage road. The property is zoned SF-2 and is undeveloped. Northwest of the rezoning area, Plaza Drive extends from the IH 35 frontage road to the west but terminates before it reaches Wedgewood Drive. It appears that Plaza Drive was designed to connect with Hickory Grove Drive on the other side of the rezoning tract, to the east. North of the Hickory Grove Drive right-of-way is undeveloped land zoned DR and single family residences zoned SF-2. East of the rezoning tract, across Wedgewood Drive is property zoned SF-2 and DR that is the subject of the related zoning case, C14-2017-0100. The property is mostly undeveloped. having previously been a single family residence. West of the rezoning tract is land zoned GR, MF-2, and SF-2. The GR parcel, which faces Braker Lane, is developed with a small commercial center that contains uses including restaurant-limited, indoor entertainment, liquor sales, religious assembly, personal services, and other uses. The MF-2 property is developed with multifamily use and takes access to the IH 35 frontage road and Braker Lane. South of the property, across Braker Lane are properties zoned CS-NP. The CS-NP property that is on the west side of Bluff Bend Road is mostly undeveloped except for a restaurant. East of Bluff Bend Road the CS-NP land is developed with a small commercial center that contains uses including restaurant (limited and general), limited retail, medical office, personal services, and other uses. Please see Exhibits A, B, and C—Zoning Map, Aerial Exhibit, and Conceptual Plan.

As stated in the Issues section, this zoning case has been filed in conjunction with Braker Lane Rezoning Part A, and a single Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) has been prepared to address transportation issues for both rezoning cases. The Applicant has agreed to fund related improvements identified in the TIA memo. *Please see Exhibit D—TIA Memorandum.* 

Staff had received Correspondence regarding C14-2017-0100 and C14-2017-0066. *Please see Exhibit E- Correspondence*.

The applicant proposes constructing approximately 12 small lot single family residences on the site, with associated drainage and water quality features and more. The Applicant also proposes 1.2 acres of mixed commercial land uses at the intersection of Wedgewood and Braker Lane. Staff supports the rezoning request to SF-4A and GR. The GR zoning will reflect the other commercial categories along Braker Lane, and the SF-4A will provide a transition between the commercial properties along Braker Lane and the SF-2 neighborhood to the north, west, and east. Small lot single family residences will also increase housing

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options in the area, and GR zoning will allow for community commercial options. This recommendation includes the dedication of ROW along East Braker Lane and compliance with the associated TIA.

### BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Zoning should promote a transition between adjacent and nearby zoning districts, land uses, and development intensities.

The proposed rezoning will allow high density residential be developed between the residential neighborhood to the north and the commercial zoning along Braker Lane.

2. The proposed zoning should be consistent with the goals and objectives of the City Council.

Small lot single family development on this site will increase housing options in the area, reflecting the values of the Strategic Housing Blueprint.

3. Zoning should promote a transition between adjacent and nearby zoning districts, land uses, and development intensities.

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4. The proposed zoning should be consistent with the goals and objectives of the City Council.

Small lot single family development on this site will increase housing options in the area, reflecting the values of the Strategic Housing Blueprint.

### **EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:**

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	SF-2, DR	Undeveloped, Single family residence
North	SF-2	Single family residential
South	CS-NP, GO-NP	Restaurant (limited and general), Limited retail, Medical office, Personal services, Congregate living
East	SF-2, DR	Single family residential, Multifamily residential
West	SF-2, DR, GR, MF-2	Undeveloped, Restaurant-limited, Indoor entertainment, Liquor sales, Religious assembly, Personal services, Multifamily residential

# NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA: N/A

TIA: See attached TIA Memorandum (Exhibit C)

WATERSHED: Walnut Creek (Suburban)

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### **NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:**

Homeless Neighborhood Association

Austin Neighborhoods Council

Friends of Austin Neighborhoods

Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation

North Growth Corridor Alliance

Bike Austin

**AISD** 

Sierra Club

**SELTexas** 

Yager Planning Area

Heritage Hills/Windsor Hills Neighborhood Plan Contact Team

Northeast Walnut Creek Neighborhood Association

### **EXISTING STREET CHARACTERISTICS:**

Name	ROW	Pavement	Classification	Sidewalks	Bike Route	Capita! Metro (within ¼ mile)
E Braker Lane	127 ft.	60 ft.	Arterial	Yes	Yes, shared lane	Yes
Wedgewood Drive	60 ft.	25 ft.	Collector	No	Yes, shared lane and wide curb lane	Yes

### OTHER STAFF COMMENTS:

### **COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING:**

Connectivity- There is a public sidewalk located on both sides of E. Braker Lane, and a CapMetro transit stop within walking distance from this property. There are no public sidewalks located along Wedgewood Drive, which is narrow rural road. The Walkscore for this property is 56/100, Somewhat Walkable, meaning some errands may be accomplished on foot.

Imagine Austin- The Imagine Austin Growth Concept Map, found in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan (IACP) identifies this project as being located along an Activity Corridor. Activity Corridors are intended to allow people to reside, work, shop, access services, people watch, recreate, and hang out without traveling far distances. They are characterized by a variety of activities and types of buildings located along the roadway—shopping, restaurants and cafés, parks, schools, single-family houses, apartments, public buildings, houses of worship, mixed-use buildings, and offices. The following Imagine Austin policies are applicable to this request:

- · LUT P1. Align land use and transportation planning and decision-making to achieve a compact and connected city in line with the growth concept map.
- LUT P4. Protect neighborhood character by directing growth to areas of change that includes designated redevelopment areas, corridors and infill sites. Recognize that different neighborhoods have different characteristics and new and infill development should be sensitive to the predominant character of these communities.

Based upon this property being: (1) situated by an Activity Corridor as designated on the Growth Concept Map, which supports a variety of commercial, office and residential uses;

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and (2) the Imagine Austin policies referenced above that supports a variety of commercial and residential uses by corridors, this project appears to be supported by Imagine Austin.

### ENVIRONMENTAL

- 1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is in the Walnut Creek Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as a Suburban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code.
- 2. Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment on this site will be subject to the following impervious cover limits:

Development Classification	% of Gross Site Area	% of Gross Site Area with Transfers
Single-Family	¥	-
(minimum lot size 5750 sq. ft.)	50%	60%
Other Single-Family or Duplex	55%	60%
Multifamily	60%	70%
Commercial	80%	90%

- 3. According to floodplain maps there is no floodplain within or adjacent to the project location.
- 4. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.
- 5. Numerous trees will likely be impacted with a proposed development associated with this rezoning case. Please be aware that an approved rezoning status does not eliminate a proposed development's requirements to meet the intent of the tree ordinances. If further explanation or specificity is needed, please contact the City Arborist at 512-974-1876. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding other vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.
- 6. Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment requires water quality control with increased capture volume and control of the 2 year storm on site.

### SITE PLAN

- SP1) Site plans will be required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.
- SP2) Any development which occurs in an SF-6 or less restrictive zoning district which is located 540-feet or less from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district will be subject to compatibility development regulations.
- SP 3) Any new development is subject to Subchapter E. Design Standards and Mixed Use. Additional comments will be made when the site plan is submitted.
- SP 4) The site is subject to compatibility standards. Along the North property line, the following standards apply:

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☐ No structure may be built within 25 feet of the property line.
☐ No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet
of the property line.
☐ No structure in excess of three stories or 40 feet in height may be constructed within 100

feet of the property line.

☐ No parking or driveways are allowed within 25 feet of the property line.

☐ A landscape area at least 25 feet wide is required along the property line. In addition, a fence, berm, or dense vegetation must be provided to screen adjoining properties from views of parking, mechanical equipment, storage, and refuse collection.

☐ for a structure more than 100 feet but not more than 300 feet from property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive, 40 feet plus one foot for each 10 feet of distance in excess of 100 feet from the property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive.

☐ An intensive recreational use, including a swimming pool, tennis court, ball court, or playground, may not be constructed 50 feet or less from adjoining SF-3 property.

☐ A landscape area at least 15 feet in width is required along the property line if tract is zoned MF-3, MF-4, MF-5, MH, NO, or LO.

A landscape area at least 25 feet in with is required along the property line if the tract is zoned LR, GO, GR, L, CS, CS-1, or CH.

Additional design regulations will be enforced at the time a site plan is submitted.

# **TRANSPORTATION**

TR1. 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 25-6-142]. Comments will be provided in a separate memo from Development Services Department and Austin Transportation Department.

TR2. Per Ordinance No. 20170302-077, off-site transportation improvements and mitigations may be required at the time of site plan application.

TR3. The Austin Metropolitan Area Transportation Plan calls for 140 feet of right-of-way for E Braker Lane. If the requested zoning is granted for this site, then 70 feet of right-of-way from the existing centerline may be required for E Braker Lane according to the Transportation Plan. [LDC, Sec. 25-6-51 and 25-6-55].

TR4. Additional right-of-way maybe required at the time of subdivision and/or site plan.

TR5. The Urban Trails Master Plan recommends a Tier II trail along Braker Lane, Wedgewood Drive, and Plaza Drive connecting to Hickory Grove Drive. Janae Spence, Urban Trails, Public Works Department may provide additional comments and requirements for right-of-way dedication and trail construction in accordance with LDC 25-6-55 and LDC 25-6-101. Please review the Urban Trails Master Plan for more information.

TR6. According to the Austin 2014 Bicycle Plan approved by Austin City Council in November, 2014, a protected bike lane is recommended for Braker Lane, and a Quiet Street is recommended for Wedgewood Drive. Mike Schofield, and Nathan Wilkes, Bicycle Program, Austin Transportation Department may provide additional comments and requirements for right-of-way dedication and trail construction in accordance with LDC 25-6-55 and LDC 25-6-101. Please review the Bicycle Master Plan for more information. TR17. Existing Street Characteristics

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Wedgewood Drive	60 ft.	25 ft.	Collector	No	Yes, shared lane and wide curb lane	Yes

### WATER UTILITY

1. The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing any water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extensions, utility relocations and or abandonments required by the land use. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility for compliance with City criteria. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. The landowner must pay the City inspection fee with the utility construction. The landowner must pay the tap and impact fee once the landowner makes an application for a City of Austin water and wastewater utility tap permit.

### INDEX OF EXHIBITS TO FOLLOW

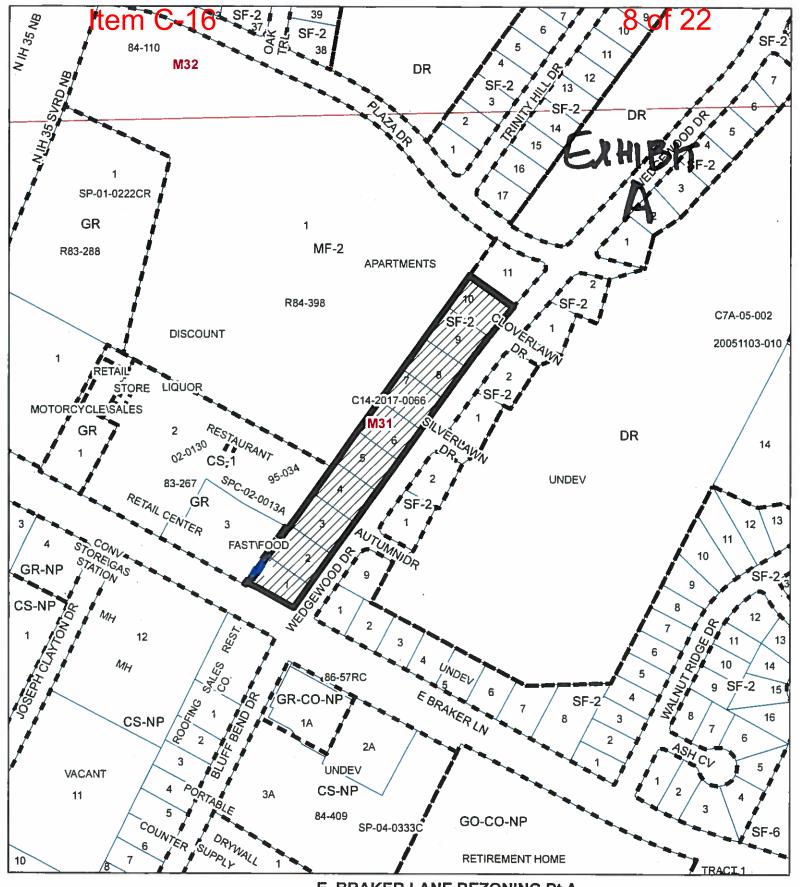
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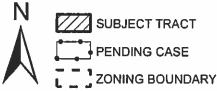
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C. Conceptual Layout

D.TIA Memorandum

E. Correspondence





### E. BRAKER LANE REZONING Pt.A

ZONING CASE#: C14-2017-0066 LOCATION: 914 E BRAKER LANE

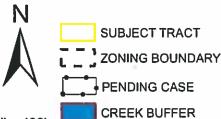
SUBJECT AREA: 3.00 ACRES

GRID: M31

MANAGER: HEATHER CHAFFIN







### E. BRAKER LANE REZONING PT. A & B

ZONING CASE#: C14-2017-0066 and C14-2017-0100

**LOCATION: 914 E BRAKER LANE** 

SUBJECT AREA: PT. A = 3.00, PT. B = 26.70 ACRES

GRID: M31

MANAGER: HEATHER CHAFFIN





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TO:

Heather Chaffin, Case Manager

**Planning and Zoning Department** 

FROM:

Scott A. James, P.E., PTOE

Natalia Rodgriguez, CNU-A

**Development Services Department/Land Use Review** 

DATE:

November 28, 2018

SUBJECT:

Traffic Impact Analysis for East Braker Lane Tracts A & B

Zoning applications C14 - 2017 - 0066/ C14 - 2017 - 0100

Section 25 – 6 – 114 of the Land Development Code requires that a traffic impact analysis be conducted for a project proposed with a zoning application if the project is anticipated to generate more than 2,000 daily trips. The project site is located on the north side of East Braker Lane, east of its intersection with Interstate Highway 35. The applicant is proposing to rezone approximately 3.00 acres from SF – 2 to SF – 4A and GR, and rezone approximately 26.7 acres from SF-2 and DR to SF-4A and GR to allow for the following land uses:

- 153 single family residences,
- 7,700 square feet of general office, and
- 7,700 square feet of commercial and/or retail.

Staff from the Austin Transportation Department have reviewed and approved the May 18, 2018 "Traffic Impact Analysis, Braker Lane" submitted by BGE, Inc. with the following comments:

### **Nearby Roadways**

East Braker Lane is classified as a major arterial roadway in north Austin, offering cross town access beginning at the intersection with Dessau Road to the east, and continuing westward to US Highway 183. In the vicinity of the site, East Braker Lane is a four-lane divided roadway with a posted speed limit of 35 miles per hour (MPH). There are sidewalks and marked bicycle facilities along both sides of the roadway.

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Interstate Highway 35 (IH – 35) is a six lane freeway with two lane frontage roads in the vicinity of the site. The posted speed limit for the main lanes is 70 MPH and for the frontage roads, 55 MPH. No sidewalks or bicycle facilities are provided.

Wedgewood Drive/ Bluff Bend Drive is classified a residential collector street with two travel lanes and no sidewalks or marked bicycle facilities. The posted speed limit is 30 MPH from the intersection with Berrywood Drive and increasing to 35 MPH south of River Oaks Trail on the approaches to East Braker Lane.

Walnut Ridge Drive is classified a residential local street, with on street parking permitted along both sides of the roadway. A sidewalk is installed along the east side of the street. The posted speed limit is 25 MPH and no marked bicycle facilities are provided.

Plaza Drive is classified a residential local street with on street parking permitted along both sides. The assumed speed limit is 30 MPH. A sidewalk is installed along the south side of the roadway. As part of this site development, Plaza Drive will be extended eastward to connect to Wedgewood Drive and Walnut Ridge Drive as Hickory Grove Drive

# **Trip Generation Estimates**

Based on the <u>ITE Trip Generation Manual</u>, 9<sup>th</sup> <u>Edition</u>, the development will generate approximately 2,008 new daily trips per day (vpd) with 161 trips occurring during the AM peak hour, and 222 occurring during the PM peak hour. Table 1 provides the unadjusted estimated number of daily trips.

		Weekday AM Peak		Weekday PM Peak		Daily
Land Use (ITE Code)	Intensity	Enter	Exit	Enter	Exit	Totals
Single family (210)	153 DU	30	86	98	55	1,444
General office (710)	7,700 SF	10	1	2	9	75
Variety Retail (814)	7,700 SF	17	17	29	29	489
Totals	•	57	104	129	93	2,008

A 10% pass by reduction was applied to the estimated PM peak hour trip generation rates for the retail land use only. Table 2 on the following page, presents the adjusted weekday peak hour trip generation estimates.

Tabl	Table 2 – Adjusted estimate of weekday trip generation								
		Weekday AM Peak			Weekday PM Peak				
Land Use (ITE Code)	Intensity	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total		
Single family (210)	153 DU	30	86	116	98	55	153		
General office (710)	7,700 SF	10	1	11	2	9	11		
Variety Retail (814)	7,700 SF	17	17	34	26	26	52		
Totals		57	104	161	126	90	216		

# **Data Collection**

Traffic counts were conducted on Thursday, May 25, 2017 when public schools were in session, and driveway counts for the existing land use were conducted to determine the current traffic volumes.

### **Trip Distribution**

Tables 3A and 3B presents how the site generated traffic was assigned to the surrounding network of public streets. These percentages were used to determine the impact of the proposed development upon existing transportation infrastructure.

Table 3 A -Directional Distribution of Site Traffic (internal)				
Direction	Exiting	Entering		
Plaza Drive .	15%	30%		
Wedgewood Drive	84%	69%		
Walnut Ridge Drive	1%	1%		
Totals	100%	100%		

Site traffic assigned to East Braker Lane, Bluff Bend Drive and IH - 35 frontage roads:

Direction	Exiting	Entering
Bluff Bend Drive	5%	5%
East Braker Lane - westbound	18%	21%
East Braker Lane - eastbound	21%	23%
IH 35 — northbound frontage	25%	35%
IH – 35 – southbound frontage	30%	15%
Totals	99%	99%

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# **Traffic Analysis Methodology**

Table 4 on the following page presents the Highway Capacity Manual (HCM) definitions of 'levels of service' for both *signalized and unsignalized* intersections. Within the City of Austin, LOS "D" is considered the acceptable threshold for signalized operations and for intersections where the LOS is projected at "E" or lower, mitigation should be proposed.

Table	4 – Summary of Level of Service a	as defined by HCM
Level of Service	Signalized Intersection Average Total Delay (Sec/Veh)	Unsignalized Intersection Average Total Delay (Sec/Veh)
Α	≤10	≤10
В	>10 and ≤20	>10 and ≤15
С	>20 and ≤35	>15 and ≤25
D	>35 and ≤55	>25 and ≤35
E	>55 and ≤80	>35 and ≤50
F	>80	>50

The following tables present a summary of the analysis performed within the TIA. Table 5 presents the existing peak hour levels of service (seconds delay per vehicle) modeled for current year.

Table 5 – Exist	ing Levels o	of Service (Year	2017)	
Intersection	Control	Peak Hour	Delay	. LOS
Fact Probables Land / ILL 25 5050	C:I	AM	53.5	D
East Braker Lane / IH 35 SBFR	Signal	PM	49.0	D
Fact Proker Lane / ILL 25 NOTO	Cional	AM	40.3	D
East Braker Lane / IH 35 NBFR	Signal	PM	56.1	E
East Braker Lane/ Wedgewood Dr	Cianal	AM	10.4	В
East Braker Lane/ Wedgewood Dr	Signal	PM	14.1	В
East Braker Lane/ Walnut Ridge Dr	TWSC	AM	7.7	А
cast braker talley wallfut kidge Dr	IVVSC	PM	1.5	Α
IH 35 NBFR / Plaza Drive	TWŚC	AM	0.2	Α
III 33 NOFR / FIBZA DIIVE	IVVSC	PM	0.1	Α

Table 6 on the following page presents the model results for the "No Build" and "Built" conditions for the year 2023.

Table 6 – No Build and I	Buiit w/o miti	gation Level:	of Service	(Year 2023)	
		No Build C	onditions	Built w/o	nitigation
Intersection	Peak Hour	Delay	LOS	Delay	LOS
East Braker Lane / IH 35 SBFR	AM	107.8	F	112.5	F
rest plakel ralle / In 33 30FK	PM	73.1	·Ε	77.3	E
East Braker Lane / IH 35 NBFR	AM	55.4	E	65.9	F
	PM	80.9	F	90.8	F
East Braker Lane/ Wedgewood Dr	AM	12.6	В	25.4	С
Last Braker Larie/ Wedgewood Dr	PM	15.4	В	22.2	С
East Braker Lane/ Walnut Ridge Dr	AM	21.1	C	22.2	С
rast plake, talle, walling kinge of	PM	2.2	Α	2.5	Α
IH 35 NBFR / Plaza Drive	AM	0.2	Α	0.7	Α
III 33 WOFN / Flaza Drive	PM	0.1	A	0.3	Α

# **Summary of Future Conditions**

The following conditions were identified in the TIA, as reflecting the future conditions of the project development, assuming all of the recommended improvements are implemented.

- The intsersection of IH 35 and East Braker Lane will continue to operate at LOS (F) during the AM and LOS E during the PM peak periods of travel.
- The intersection of East Braker Lane and Wedgewood Drive will operate with LOS (C) or better during the AM and PM peak travel periods, according to the travel model forecast.
- The intersection of East Braker Lane and Walnut Ridge Drive will operate with LOS (C) or better during both the AM and PM peak travel periods, and
- The intersection of Plaza Drive with the northbound frontage road of IH 35 is anticipated
  to operate with minimal delay to the main lanes of travel and slight delays for the side
  approaches, according to the travel model forecast.

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Table 7 presents the results for the "Built with mitigations" scenario for the year 2023.

Table 7 - Future Levels of Service	e Built w/ mitiga	tions scena	rio (Year 202:	3)
Intersection	Control	Peak Hour	Delay	LOS
East Braker Lane / IH 35 SBFR	C:1	AM	55.2	E
East braker taile / In 33 30 rk	Signal	PM	44.1	D
East Braker Lane / IH 35 NBFR	Signal	AM	39.1	D
Last Diaker Lane / In 33 Nork		PM	39.6	D
East Braker Lane/ Wedgewood Dr	Signal	AM	14.4	В
Last blakel talley wedgewood Di	Jigirai	PM	17.4	В
East Braker Lane/ Walnut Ridge Dr	TWSC	AM	19.1	В
Last braker Laney Wantat Muge Di	10030	PM	2.4	A
IH 35 NBFR / Plaza Drive	TWSC	AM	0.7	A
11 33 140/11/ 1 1020 DITAG	14430	PM	0.3	Α

# Recommended Transportation Improvements

The TIA identified improvements to the surrounding public infrastructure to mitigate the calculated impact to traffic resulting from this development. The following is a summary of the proposed improvements:

Review staff discussed the need to implement physical improvements concurrently with the development of the site and prioritized the infrastructure elements accordingly. Therefore, after review and acceptance of the TIA findings, the following goals were identified:

- 1) Wherever feasible, staff prefers to have the developer construct physical improvements instead of posting fiscal towards the estimated costs of construction.
- 2) In locations where more than one improvement is identified, staff would accept a fully constructed single improvement in the place of several partial funded elements.
- 3) Where the suggested or recommended improvements are within or along Texas Department of Transportation facilities, the City of Austin shall defer to TxDOT review and approval for said transportation improvements.
- 4) Improve the pedestrian and bicycle facilities within and around the property to provide connectivity to urban trails, bicycle facilities, and adjacent properties.

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# **Conclusions and Recommendations**

After consultation with the applicant, transportation review staff recommends approval of these zoning applications, subject to the following conditions:

# Prior to the 3rd reading of City Council, the applicant shall commit to the following:

1) The applicant shall post fiscal for the following transportation improvements:

Table 8 – List of Improvements						
Location	Improvements	Total Cost	Developer Share %			
East Braker Lane /	Construct southbound right turn bay and relocate signal pole	TBD	100%			
Wedgewood Drive	Revise signal timing	\$5,000	\$5,000 (100%)			
IH – 35 frontage road/ East Braker Lane*	Construct southbound right turn bay	\$250,000	\$7,500 (3%)			
	Construct northbound right turn bay	\$250,000	\$7,500 (3%)			
	Construct westbound right turn bay	\$250,000	\$7,500 (3%)			
	Revise signal timing	\$7,500	\$7,500 (100%)			
	Totals	\$762,500	\$35,000*			

<sup>&</sup>quot;\*" Note: these improvements are subject to TxDOT review and approval, including proposed mitigation, cost estimates and percentage cost participation by the applicant.

# At the time of Subdivision or Site Plan Application, whichever comes first, the applicant shall commit to the following:

- 2) Dedicate up to 70 feet of right-of-way (as measured from the centerline) along East Braker Lane, in accordance with the Austin Metropolitan Area Transportation (LDC 25-6-51 and 25-6-55).
- 3) Extend Plaza Drive/Hickory Grove Drive as a public street from Wedgewood Drive to connect to Walnut Ridge Drive. The right-of-way width and cross-section shall comply with City of Austin standards. The right-of-way shall be dedicated and constructed at the time of the first residential site development permit application.

- 4) Construct a public shared use path along the following streets in accordance with the Urban Trails Master Plan and Bicycle Master Plan:
  - a. One side of Hickory Grove from Walknut Ridge Drive to Wedgewood Drive
  - b. One side of Wedgewood Drive from Plaza Drive/Hickory Grove Drive to Braker Lane
  - c. North side of Braker Lane from Wedgewood Drive to the eastern property line

The design and alignment of the public shared use path along shall be reviewed and constructed at the time of the adjacent site development permit applications. [LDC 25-6-55].

- 5) The proposal to construct a dedicated turn lanes at the interchange of East Braker Lane and IH 35 frontage roads is subject to review and approval by the Texas Department of Transportation. A Donation Agreement shall be approved and executed prior to approval of the first Site Plan Application.
- 6) The location and number of driveways shall be reviewed at the time of the site plan application in accordance with City of Austin standards. The traffic impact analysis does not establish the location(s) and/or number of driveways.
- 7) Development of this property should not vary from the approved uses, nor exceed the approved intensities and estimated traffic generation assumptions within the TIA document (dated August 21, 2018), including land use, trip generation, trip distribution, traffic controls and other identified conditions.
- 8) The findings and recommendations of this TIA memorandum remain valid until November 28, 2023, after which a revised TIA or addendum may be required.

Scott A. James, P.E., PTOE

**Development Services Department** 

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# Objection to rezoning: Case number C14-2017-0066

EXHIBIT

My main objection to the proposed rezoning is that, if granted, the resulting lot sizes would be much too small. As the attached development plan shows, rezoning to lot sizes to SF-4A/GR would cause the resulting lot sizes to be about one-half the size of those surrounding the development tract. This is unacceptable for the surrounding neighborhoods. Such would cause neighborhood property values to decrease. Additionally, Wedgewood drive, which runs through the development tract, is the major ingress/egress route for much of the neighborhood. Smaller lot sizes would add many more homes along Wedgewood Drive and contribute to traffic problems for vehicles entering and leaving the neighborhood.

Additionally, the neighborhoods north and adjacent to the development tract were totally developed prior to being annexed by the City of Austin. Because of such, storm drainage is not compatible with City Code. For example, roads are parallel to and adjacent to 3 of the 4 boundary sides of the tract. As verified by the COA Development Web Map (online at

http://www.austintexas.gov/GIS/DevelopmentWebMap/Viewer.aspx), only a minimal number of drainage pipes and curb or grate inlets exist for the roads surrounding the tract--only 1 curb inlet exists along the east side of the tract, only 1 is along the west side, and no inlets are along the north side. Mostly because of such, overland flow from storm runoff already threatens many of the homes surrounding the tract. Additionally, as the attached site plan shows, the southern end of the tract contains a topographic high area--runoff flows in all directions from the tract. Because of such and steep slopes within the tract, it likely will be cost prohibitive for the developer to grade the tract to force all runoff to the creek along the west side of Wedgewood drive--some runoff from the tract will become overland flow across lots adjacent to the tract thus adding to already existing flooding threats for those homes. I provide the runoff information as a Certified Professional Hydrologist.

Raymond Slade, Jr., PH
Certified Professional Hydrologist
Adjunct Professor

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