## ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C14-2018-0124 (River Place)
Z.A.P. DATE: March 19, 2019

ADDRESS/PROJECT LOCATION: Milky Way Drive
DISTRICT AREAS: 6 \& 10

APPLICANT: Milestone Community Builders, LLC; Milky Way Holdings GP, LLC (Garrett S. Martin)

AGENT: McLean \& Howard, LLP (Jeff Howard)
ZONING FROM: DR TO: SF-1-CO* AREA: 42.064 acres
( $1,832,307.84 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$.)
*The applicant is proposing a conditional overlay ( CO ) that will limit the maximum number of residential units to 45 dwelling units and will limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day (Please see Applicant Request Letter - Attachment A).

## SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The staff's recommendation is to grant SF-1-CO, Single-Family Residence-Large Lot-Conditional Overlay Combining District, zoning. The conditional overlay will limit the maximum number of residential units to 45 dwelling units, will limit the size of each lot on the property to a minimum of 21,000 sq. ff. and will limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day.

In addition, the results of the neighborhood traffic analysis for this site (NTA MemorandumAttachment B) shall be included in a public restrictive covenant that will be recorded prior to third reading of this case at City Council.

## ZONING \& PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

## DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

The subject property is approximately 42 acres of undeveloped land located in the limited purpose jurisdiction boundary of the City of Austin. This tract of land is mostly surrounded by undeveloped and/or preserve land with the exception of the single family homes located to the west and along Milky Way Drive. The property has access to public right-of- way by a stub out from Milky Way Drive.

The staff recommends SF-1-CO zoning at this location because the site under consideration meets the intent of the Single-Family Residence-Large Lot zoning district. The property is heavily wooded and has topographical constraints that may be challenging to development on this tract of land. The proposed SF-1-CO zoning will permit the applicant to develop single-family residential lots with a minimum lot size of $21,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft . The staff's recommendation is double the requirement of the minimum $10,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft . lot size stipulated by the $\mathrm{SF}-1$ zoning district. These larger lots will be consistent with the existing residential patterns to the west of this site along Milky Way Drive. This property is in an environmentally sensitive area that has not been identified for an increase in density
in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan. This tract of land is located next to preserve land (Balcones Preserve Land). The access from this site will be to Milky Way Drive, a local road that ends in a cul-de-sac, which connects to River Place Boulevard that provides primary access for the residential developments in the River Place neighborhood to FM 2222 Road.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

|  | ZONING |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Site | DR | Undeveloped |
| North | DR | Undeveloped |
| South | DR | Undeveloped |
| East | DR | Undeveloped - City of Austin -Balcones Preserve Land |
| West | DR and SF-1-CO | Undeveloped and Residential (Preserve of River Place) |

## NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA: N/A <br> NTA: Yes

WATERSHED: West Bull Creek
CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: No
HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY: No

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

Canyon Creek H.O.A.
Friends of Austin Neighborhoods
Bull Creek Foundation
Glenlake Neighborhood Association
Leander ISD Population and Survey Analysts
Long Canyon Homeowners Assn.
Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation
River Place HOA
SELTEXAS
Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group
Steiner Ranch Community Association
TNR BCP-Travis County Natural Resources
2222 Coalition of Neighborhood Associations Inc.
Westminster Glen HOA
SCHOOLS: Leander I.S.D. Schools
River Place Elementary School
Four Points Middle School
Vandergrift High School

## CASE HISTORIES:

| NUMBER | REQUEST | COMMISSION | CITY COUNCIL |
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| C14-2015-0083 (River Place: Milky Way Drive) | DR to SF 2CO* <br> * On October 7, 2016, the applicant stated in an email that they are proposing a conditional overlay to limit the property to a maximum of 82 residential dwelling units. In addition, the applicant submitted a letter on February 15, 2017 stating that they would like to amend this rezoning case to limit the vehicular trips per day to 2,000 and the maximum total dwelling units to 82 , which is less than 2 units per acre. <br> Tract 1: SF-1-CO** Tract 2: GO-MU-CO** **On April 27, 2017, the applicant submitted a letter requesting to consolidate/combine zoning cases Cl4-20150083: River Place-Milky Way and C14-2015-0084: River Place-Autism Center (please see Attaclument C). The applicant is now requesting to rezone Tract 1 (a 27.764 acre portion the original 42.064 acre case C14-2015-0083) to SF-1-CO with a conditional overlay to limit development to 42 residential units. For the rest of the 54.305 acre property ( 14.3 acres from case C14-2015-0038 and 40.005 acres from case C14-2015-0084) now known as Tract 2, the applicant would like to | 2/21/17: Approved the staff's recommendation for SF-1-CO zoning: The conditional overlay will limit the size of each lot on the property to a minimum of 30,000 sq. ft. and will limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day. <br> In addition, the results of the neighborhood traffic analysis for this site (NTA MemorandumAttachment A) shall be included in a public restrictive covenant that will be recorded prior to third reading of this case at City Council. <br> (6-4, S. Lavani, G. Rojas, <br> T. Weber and B. Evans-No); <br> J. Kiolbassa-1 ${ }^{\text {si }}$, J. Duncan- $2^{\text {nd }}$. | 5/04/17: This item was indefinitely postponed at the request of staff on Council Member Troxclair's motion, Council Member Renteria's second on a $10-0$ vote. Council Member Garza was absent. <br> November 1, 2017: Case expired per LDC Section 25-2246(A)(2) as the case was not scheduled before the $181^{\text {st }}$ day after the City Council granted an indefinite postponement. |


|  | rezone it to GO-MU-CO. On Tract 2, the applicant is asking to develop the autism center as well as a 200 unit apartment complex/multifamily use. |  |  |
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| C14-2015-0084 <br> (River Place- <br> Autism Center: <br> East of River Place <br> Boulevard) | DR to GO-CO* <br> *The applicant submitted a letter on February 15, 2016 stating they would like to amend the rezoning request to include a conditional overlay to restrict development to the regulations associated with the Neighborhood Office (NO) district, limit the vehicular trips per day to 2,000 and permit only those primary and accessory uses required to operate the Autism Center and those required by the City to comply with Fair Housing and other legal requirements. The primary and accessory uses required to operate the Autism Center include, but are not limited to: congregate and group living, family visitation and overnight stays, therapeutic equestrian and gardening, medical offices for visiting physicians, nursing facilities, classrooms and studios and an onsite cafe for residents, employees and visitors. | 2/21/17: Approved the staff's recommendation of GO-CO zoning: The conditional overlay will: <br> 1. Prohibit the following uses: <br> Business or Trade School Business Support Services Communication Services Medical Offices (exceeding $5,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft. gross floor area) Medical Offices (not exceeding $5,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft. gross floor area) <br> Off-site Accessory Parking <br> Personal Services <br> Printing and Publishing Restaurant (Limited) Club or Lodge Cultural Services Hospital Services (general) Hospital Services (limited) <br> 2. Make the following uses conditional: <br> College or University Facilities Private Secondary Educational Facilities, <br> 3. Limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day <br> 4. Prohibit access to Milky Way Drive for Office (Administrative and Business Offices or Professional Office) uses. <br> (10-0, D. Breithaupt-absent); <br> J. Duncan-1 $1^{\text {st }}$, A. Denkler- $2^{\text {nd }}$. | 5/04/17: This item was withdrawn without objection. |
| C14-2015-0037 - <br> Coelho Living <br> Trust; 5833 <br> Riverplace <br> Boulevard | I-RR to SF-2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4/21/2015 - Approved SF-2 } \\ & \text { zoning. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 5/14/2015 - Approved SF-2 } \\ & \text { zoning. } \end{aligned}$ |


| C14-06-0184 - <br> Austin Christian <br> Fellowship Phase <br> II; 6401 <br> Riverplace <br> Boulevard | DR to NO | 10/3/2006 - Approved NO-CO zoning. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 11/2/2006 - Approved NO } \\ & \text { zoning. } \end{aligned}$ |
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| C14-06-0095 - Lot <br> 9-A, The Preserve <br> at Riverplace, <br> Section 2, Block <br> B, Lots 8\&9; <br> Resubdivision - <br> Milky Way Drive | DR to SF-1 | 6/6/2006 - Approved SF-1-CO zoning. | 7/27/2006 - Approved SF-1-CO, with CO limiting vehicle trips to 2,000 per day. |
| C14-06-0094 - <br> LOT 8-A; THE <br> PRESERVE AT <br> RIVERPLACE, <br> SECTION 2, <br> BLOCK B, LOTS <br> 8\&9; <br> RESUBDIVISION <br> ; Milky Way Drive | DR to SF-1 | 6/6/2006 - Approved SF-1-CO zoning. | 7/27/2006 - Approved SF-1-CO, with CO limiting vehicle trips to 2,000 per day. |
| C14-02-0156 - <br> River Place Two; <br> Riverplace <br> Boulevard | SF-5 to SF-6 | $\begin{aligned} & 12 / 3 / 2002 \text { - Approved SF-6 } \\ & \text { zoning. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1/9/2003 - Approved SF-6 } \\ & \text { zoning. } \end{aligned}$ |
| C14-01-0121 - <br> Austin Christian <br> Fellowship; 6401 <br> Riverplace <br> Boulevard | RR to NO | 9/25/2001 - Denied NO-CO zoning request. | 12/6/2001 - Approved NO-CO, with CO limiting vehicle trips to 2,000 per day. |
| C14-99-2130 - <br> Austin Christian <br> Fellowship; 6401 <br> Riverplace <br> Boulevard | DR to GR | 9/26/2000 - Approved NO-CO zoning. | 10/26/2000 - Approved NO-CO, with CO limiting vehicle trips to 2,000 per day. |
| C14-98-0068 - <br> Riverplace Estates; <br> Riverplace <br> Boulevard |  | 7/7/1998 - Approved RR zoning. | 9/3/1998 - Approved SF-1-CO zoning with CO for no more than 49 residential units may be developed on the property. Each lot must be a minimum of 30,000 sq. ft. (. 688 acres) |
| C14R-87-073 - <br> City of Austin W \& WW (Four <br> Points Reserve); <br> Bonaventure Drive | RR to P | 8/4/1987 - Approved P zoning. | 11/12/1987 - Approved P zoning. |

RELATED CASES: C14-2015-0083
C14-2015-0084

## ABUTTING STREETS:

| Name | ROW | Pavement | Classification | Sidewalks | Bike <br> Route | Capital Metro <br> (within $1 / 4$ mile) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Milky Way Drive | 50 ft. | 30 ft. | Local | Yes | No | No |

CITY COUNCIL DATE: April 11, 2019
ORDINANCE READINGS: 1st
ORDINANCE NUMBER: N/A
CASE MANAGER: Sherri Sirwaitis

ACTION:
$2^{\text {nd }} 3^{\text {rd }}$

PHONE: 512-974-3057
EMAIL: sherti.sinwaitis(@)austintexas.gov
 by the City of Austin regarding specific accuracy or completeness.



## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The staff's recommendation is to grant SF-1-CO, Single-Family Residence-Large Lot-Conditional Overlay Combining District, zoning. The conditional overlay will limit the maximum number of residential units to 45 dwelling units, will limit the size of each lot on the property to a minimum of 21,000 sq. ft. and will limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day.

In addition, the results of the neighborhood traffic analysis for this site (NTA MemorandumAttachment B) shall be included in a public restrictive covenant that will be recorded prior to third reading of this case at City Council.

## BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION

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

Single-family residence large lot (SF-1) district is the designation for a low density singlefamily residential use on a lot that is a minimum of 10,000 square feet. An SF-1 district designation may be applied to a use on land with sloping terrain or environmental limitations that preclude standard lot size or to a use in an existing residential development on a lot that is 10,000 square feet or more.

The property in question meets the intent of the SF-1 district as there are topographical constraints that may be challenging to development on this tract of land.
2. Zoning should be consistent with approved and existing residential densities.

The staff's recommendation for SF-1-CO zoning at this location is consistent with the existing residential patterns adjacent to this site. The proposed SF-1-CO zoning will permit the applicant to develop single-family residential lots with a minimum lot size of $21,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft . These larger lots are appropriate in an environmentally sensitive area that has not been identified for an increase in density in the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

## 3. Zoning should allow for reasonable use of the property.

The staff's recommendation of SF-1-CO zoning will permit the applicant to develop this tract of land with up to a maximum of 45 single family residential units, without accounting for topography, impervious cover limitations, right-of-way and improvements and utility extensions. The property will take access to Milky Way Drive to the east, which is considered a local street.

## EXISTING CONDITIONS

## Site Characteristics

The subject tract is approximately 42 acres of undeveloped land that is heavily wooded and has topographical constraints.

## Comprehensive Planning

Please note, a compliance report was submitted on this same property in July 2015, which called for a 110 unit single family subdivision. The amended request calls for a 45 unit large lot single family subdivision.

This zoning case is located on the eastern terminus of Milky Way Drive, on an undeveloped parcel that is approximately 42.06 acres in size. The property is located in an area of Austin without an adopted neighborhood plan. Surrounding land uses includes vacant land to the north; to the south is vacant land and a single-family subdivision; to the east is vacant land; and to the west is large lot single family housing, a church and an autism center. The River Place Elementary School is located a mile away. The proposed use is a 45 unit single family subdivision, and includes a Conditional Overlay that would limit the trips per day to 2,000 .

## Connectivity

The Walkscore for this area is $\mathbf{2 / 1 0 0}$, Car Dependent, meaning almost all errands require a car. Public sidewalks are located along Milky Way Drive. There are no urban trails, or public transit stops available in the area. Bike lanes and public sidewalks are available along River Place Boulevard, a residential collector.

## Imagine Austin

The property is not located along an Activity Corridor or Center according to the Imagine Austin Growth Concept Map. The overall goal of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan (IACP) is to achieve 'complete communities' across Austin, where housing, services, retail, jobs, entertainment, health care, schools, parks, and other daily needs are within a convenient walk or bicycle ride of one another. Page 107 of the IACP states, "While most new development will be absorbed by centers and corridors, development will happen in other areas within the city limits to serve neighborhood needs and create complete communities. Infill development can occur as redevelopment of obsolete office. retail, or residential sites or as new development on vacant land within largely developed areas. New commercial, office, larger apartments, and institutional uses such as schools and churches, may also be located in areas outside of centers and corridors. The design of new development should be sensitive to and complement its context. It should also be connected by sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and transit to the surrounding area and the rest of the city. It should also be connected by sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and transit to the surrounding area and the rest of the city."
The following Imagine Austin policies specifically supports the development of a variety of types of housing throughout
Austin:
LUT P5. Create healthy and family-friendly communities through development that includes a mix of land uses and
housing types and affords realistic opportunities for transit, bicycle, and pedestrian travel and provides both community gathering spaces, parks and safe outdoor play areas for children.
HN P1. Distribute a variety of housing types throughout the City to expand the choices able to meet the financial
and lifestyle needs of Austin's diverse population.
HN P10. Create complete neighborhoods across Austin that have a mix of housing types and land uses, affordable
housing and transportation options, and access to schools, retail, employment, community services, and parks and recreation options.

While this area is not located along an Activity Center or Corridor, based on the comparative scale of this site relative to other residential subdivisions in the vicinity, but a lack of mobility options outside the development, as well as lack of goods, services, civic uses and employment opportunities within a quarter of a mile of this area, this project appears to only partially support the policies of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

## Environmental

The site is located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is in the West Bull Creek Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as a Water Supply Suburban Watershed by Chapter $25-8$ of the City's Land Development Code. It is in the Drinking Water Protection Zone.

According to floodplain maps there is a floodplain within the project location. Based upon the location of the floodplain, offsite drainage should be calculated to determine whether a Water Quality Transition Zone / Critical Water Quality Zone exist within the project location.

Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.

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 $974-1876$. 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.

Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment requires water quality control with increased capture volume and control of the 2 -year storm on site.

At this time, no information has been provided as to whether this property has any preexisting approvals that preempt current water quality or Code requirements.

## Impervious Cover

The DR zoning district allows up to $15,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft . of impervious cover. The $\mathrm{SF}-1$ zoning district allows a maximum of $40 \%$ impervious cover. However, the subject tract is located in the Drinking Water Protection Zone and is classified as a Water Supply Suburban Watershed. Under the current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment on this site will be subject to the following impervious cover limits:

| Development Classification | \% of Net Site Area | \% NSA with Transfers |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| One or Two Family Residential | $30 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
| Multifamily Residential | $40 \%$ | $55 \%$ |
| Commercial | $40 \%$ | $55 \%$ |

Development within a Water Quality Transition Zone is limited to $18 \%$.
Therefore, the impervious cover limits for this particular property are governed by the watershed regulations rather than by the zoning district.

Note: The most restrictive impervious cover limit applies.

## Site Plan

Site plans will be required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.

Any new development is subject to Subchapter E. Design Standards and Mixed Use. Additional comments will be made when the site plan is submitted.

## Storm Water Detention

At the time a final subdivision plat, subdivision construction plans, or site plan is submitted, the developer must demonstrate that the proposed development will not result in additional identifiable flooding of other property. Any increase in storm water runoff will be mitigated through on-site storm water detention ponds, or participation in the City of Austin Regional Storm water Management Program if available.

## Transportation

A Neighborhood Traffic Analysis is required for this project. The NTA requires three (3) consecutive 2- hour tube counts, preferably on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, during a non-holiday week when school is in session. Staff will contact Scott James (Scott.James@austintexas.gov) to discuss the location of the tube counts. Results will be provided in a separate memo (Please see Attachment B).

A traffic impact analysis was not required for this case because the traffic generated by the proposed zoning does not exceed the threshold of 2,000 vehicle trips per day. [LDC 25-61 13]

Additional right-of-way maybe required at the time of subdivision and/or site plan.
Janae Spence, Urban Trails, Public Works Department, Mike Schofield, Bicycle Program, Austin Transportation Department may provide additional comments regarding bicycle and pedestrian connectivity per the Council Resolution No. 20130620-056.

FYI - staff recommends providing right-of-way stub out(s) to the north to provide future connectivity to Sitio Del Rio Boulevard in accordance with the City of Austin Comprehensive Plan, Imagine Austin.

FYI - staff recommends pedestrian and bicycle trails to and along the eastern property line (to the north and south property lines) to provide connectivity and recreational uses for the neighborhood.

## Water and Wastewater

FYI: The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing any water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extensions, water or wastewater easements, utility relocations and or abandonments required by the proposed land use. Depending on the development plans submitted, water and or wastewater service extension requests may will be required. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by Austin Water for compliance with City criteria and suitability for operation and maintenance. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. The landowner must pay the City inspection fee with the utility construction.

The landowner must pay the tap and impact fees once the landowner makes an application for Austin Water utility tap permits.

RE: Application to rezone 42.064 acres located at the end of Milky Way Drive (the "Property") from DR to SF-1-CO

Dear Mr. Gonzales:
As agent for the owner of the above-referenced Property, we are hereby submitting the enclosed application to request a rezoning of the Property from DR to SF-1-CO (the "New Application"). As you may recall, an application was previously filed for this Property and assigned Zoning Case No. C14-2015-0083 ("Original Application"). In accordance with staff comments and neighborhood feedback, this New Application requests a less intensive zoning designation and a lower number of total residential units than the Original Application.

The new proposed development and use for the Property is for low-density single-family residential units. The request includes a conditional overlay that (i) limits the vehicular trips per day to 2,000 and (ii) restricts the maximum total dwelling units to forty-five (45). The New Application aligns with the neighborhood's publicly asserted desire to cap the number of units. As stated by Mark Banta, a Milky Way Drive resident, on behalf of the neighborhood during consideration of the Original Application at the Regular Meeting of the Zoning and Platting Commission held on February 21, 2017:
"We understand that there's a compromise and we're willing to accept a significant concession in this. We're not just looking for a perfect world or a small number of homes. In calculation of the staff recommendation we find it comes down to just about 45 homes, give or take, depending on how it's platted out. We think that's probably appropriate, and we're willing to accept that, but along with some additional considerations."
(1:11:16 of the video recording posted at hitps://austintx.swagit.com/play/02212017-1071).
Additionally, in conjunction with the Original Application a Neighborhood Traffic Analysis ("NTA") was performed for 82 single family homes, and the results were approved and outlined in the Internal Memorandum from Natalia Rodriguez, Planner II, to Sherri Sirwaitis, Case

Manager, dated October 10, 2016 (Attachment A to the Agenda Backup). The NTA is less than three (3) years old, and considering the new proposal is for a significantly less maximum number of units, is sufficient to determine the impact to traffic by the proposed development. A new NTA is unnecessary.

Please let me know if any additional information or documents are necessary to complete this request. Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact me at 512-328-2008.


Jeffrey S. Howard
McLean \& Howard, LLP

## MEMORANDUM

TO: $\quad$ Sherri Sirwaitis, Case Manager
Planning \& Zoning Department
CC: Jeffrey Howard, McLean \& Howard, LLP
FROM: $\quad N^{\prime}$ Natalia Rodriguez
Scott A. James, P.E., PTOE
Development Services Department
DATE: $\quad$ March 13, 2019
SUBJECT: Neighborhood Traffic Analysis for River Place
Zoning Case \# C14-2018-0124

The Transportation Review Section of the Land Use Review Division has performed a Neighborhood Traffic Impact Analysis for the above referenced case and offers the following comments.

The 42.064-acre tract is located in northwest Austin at the end of Milky Way Drive. The site is currently zoned Development Reserve (DR) and is vacant. Zoning to the immediate north, east and soult is development reserve (DR), and to the west, zoning is single family residence large lot (SF-1). The zoning request is for Single Family Residence Conditional Overlay (SF - 1 CO) to allow for the construction of up to forty-five (45) single family residences.

In support of this rezoning request, the applicant provided summary traffic counts taken on Wednesday, September 2, 2015.' The traffic volume on Milky Way Drive was shown as 407 vehicles per day. The NTA will be conducted under the assumption that no more than 45 dwelling units will be constructed on the site.

## Roadways

The tract has access to Milky Way Drive which is classified as a Local Road and the sole access to the site. The roadway currently has curb and gutter and 30 feet of pavement within 50 feet of right-of-way. Sidewalks are present for the majority of developed property and sidewalks are required for the proposed development.

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## Trip Generation and Traffic Analysis

Based on Transportation Review staff evaluation the proposed 42.064 acre development with the requested zoning of $S F-1$, could accommodate up to 304 dwelling units at maximum build out, excluding all setbacks and impervious cover limits. However, the applicant has agreed to a conditional overlay limiting the development to 45 dwelling units.

|  | Table 1 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zoning | Intensity | Trip Generation |
| SF-1 | 42.064 acres; <br> Approx. 183 d.u. | 1,813 |
| SF-1-CO | 45 d.u. | 499 |
| TOTAL |  | 499 |

Table 2 presents the expected distribution of the trips to the surrounding roadways.

|  | Table 2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Street | Traffic Distribution |
| Milky Way Drive | $100 \%$ |
| TOTAL | $100 \%$ |

Table 3 presents the determined existing traffic volume, the estimated site traffic volume, and the total estimated daily traffic volume after development.

| Table 3. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Street | Existing Traffic <br> (vpd) | Site Traffic | Estimated <br> Total Traffic | Percentage <br> Increase |  |  |
| Milky Way Drive | 407 | 499 | 906 | $123 \%$ |  |  |

The City Council may deny an application if the neighborhood traffic analysis demonstrates that the trafic generated by a project combined with existing traffic, exceeds the desirable operating level established on a residentiat local or collector street in the neighborhood traffic study area.

According to Section 25-6-116 of the Land Development Code, local streets are operating at a desirable level if it does not exceed the following levels:

| Pavement Width | Vehicles Per Day |
| :---: | :---: |
| Less than $30^{\prime}$ | 1,200 |
| $30^{\prime}$ to less than $40^{\prime}$ | 1,800 |
| $40^{\prime}$ or wider | 4,000 |

## Conclusions and Recommendations

1. The estimated total number of daily trips generated by a maximum of forty-five (45) single family residential units, in combination with the existing traffic of Milky Way Drive, does not exceed the thresholds set forth in the LDC 25-6-116.
2. To encourage pedestrian and bicycle connectivity to the surrounding uses in the area, it is recommended that a minimum 15 ft . pedestrian and bicycle public access easement be dedicated connecting Milky Way Drive to the north property line.
3. To comply with the Land Development Code block length standards, it is recommended that vehicular stub out connections be made to the north and south property lines. The connection location is to be reviewed during subdivision review process.
4. The intensity and uses for this rezoning application are limited to no more than 45 single family dwelling units.
5. The findings of this memorandum remain valid until March 13, 2024, at which time a revised neighborhood traffic analysis or staff memorandum may be required.

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


Scott A. James, P.E., PTOE
Development Services Departmen/Land Use Review - Transportation

Subject:
FW: Comments on Case Number C14-2018-0124 on Milky Way Drive

From: Brenda Langford < >
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2018 4:56 PM
To: Sirwaitis, Sherri<[Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov](mailto:Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov)
Subject: Comments on Case Number C14-2018-0124 on Milky Way Drive
Ms. Sirwaitis,
I cannot find a place online to submit comments on the pending application for rezoning of the land on Milky Way recently submitted by Garrett Martin of Milky Way Holdings (MileStone Community Builders).

I am hoping that this can suffice and be submitted to the file.
On the previous zoning application, the Milky Way residents were very vocal that we felt equivalent zoning to what was already established on the street was only fair to the current residents. When MileStone first submitted their previous application, it was initially for 110 homes. After several compromises, they whittled that down to approximately 45 homes. While this was not equivalent, we believed it was the best compromise we were going to get and considering that MileStone was offering aid to the Autism Trust and was talking of working with Austin Christian Fellowship to bring in utilities from the north, so as not to tear up the entirety of our street. Those additional perceived community benefits made that number tolerable.

However, the current Milky Way zoning is SF-1-CO. The CO however, limited not the number of homes per total acres....it limited the number of homes to DEVELOP-ABLE ACRES. This means that even though "The Preserve" as the entire development is called was approx. 100 acres, only approx 50 acres were develop-able, so the cap on home sites was set at the 50 number. If this precedent is carried over to the current piece of land requesting rezoning this would result in approximately 27 develop-able acres and 27 home sites.

That number may not be much different to some, but for the Milky Way residents who have only on egress out on to River Place Boulevard, it brings the increased traffic down from $200 \%$ to approx. $100 \%$, which is a significant number.

We ask that the ZAP staff and commission consider what is fair and equitable to the current residents rather than what is most profitable for the developer.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.
Best regards,
Brenda Langford 10500 Milky Way

Subject:
FW: Zoning case C14-2018-0124

From: Brian Showers < >
Sent: Monday, November 12, 2018 11:48 AM
To: Sirwaitis, Sherri [Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov](mailto:Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov)
Subject: RE: Zoning case C14-2018-0124
Hi Ms. Sirwaitis,
For the surrounding area on Milky Way and Merrywing, the zoning includes two different conditions in the CO that affect density. First is a limit on the total number of homes and the second requires a minimum lot size. One condition controls overall density while the other governs how evenly that density is distributed. We believe that both of these conditions are important and I would request that staff include both types of condition on this tract.

Limiting the total number of homes to 45 and requiring a minimum lot size to between 30,000 sqft and 1 acre will keep the new parcel zoned and developed consistently with the surrounding area.

Thank you,
Brian Showers

From: Sirwaitis, Sherri [Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov](mailto:Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov)
Sent: Thursday, November 8, 2018 3:45 PM
To: Brian Showers < >
Subject: RE: Zoning case C14-2018-0124
Hi Mr. Showers,
The applicant's request letter is attached for your review. The applicant is requesting SF-1-CO zoning for this property, with a conditional overlay that will limit the maximum number of residential units to 45 dwelling units and will limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day.

The staff's recommendation in the previous zoning case for this property (C14-2015-0083) was for SF-1-CO zoning, with a conditional overlay that would limit the size of each lot on the property to a minimum of $30,000 \mathrm{sq}$. ft. and would limit the development intensity for the entire site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day. The applicant's request is more restrictive than the staff's recommendation in the previous zoning case. The applicant is proposing to limit development on the property to a maximum of 45 dwelling units. The staff's/ZAP Commission's recommendation in case C14-20150083 would allow for up to 61 dwelling units on this 42.064 acre site ( $1,832,307.84 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft} / 30,000 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft} .=61.076928$ dwelling units). Even if you account for infrastructure requirements ( 42.064 acres $/ \underline{20 \%}$ ), such as water/wastewater lines and street extensions, the maximum number of residential units that could be achieved by the staff's previous recommendation on the property would be 48.8598 dwelling units. So the applicant's request is still less intensive.

I spoke with David Ryder this morning about and this said that sometimes the maximum number of dwelling units on the property can also be defined by units per acre. The applicant's request for a max of 45 units/42.064 acres would permit up to 1.0698 units per acre on this property.

The staff just recently received the case file for this rezoning application. Therefore, the case is still under review. Many of the reviewers have not submitted their comments on this case yet. The staff has up to 28 days/a month to make comments and compile a recommendation before we schedule the case for public hearing dates.

Thank you,

## Sherri Sirwaitis

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From: Brian Showers < >
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2018 2:51 PM
To: Sirwaitis, Sherri [Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov](mailto:Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov)
Subject: Zoning case C14-2018-0124
Ms. Sirwaitis,
We met last year to discuss this zoning case at the end of Milky Way Drive. I'm a resident on Milky Way and helping to coordinate the questions and communications for several members of our neighborhood. While we appreciate that Milestone has asked for zoning that less dense than the SF-2 they requested in 2016, we continue to believe that the zoning and conditional overlay of this parcel should match that of Milky Way Drive. Specifically, we believe that the prior staff recommendation of a CO including a minimum lot size of 30,000 sqft is critical.

As a neighborhood, we believe that the parcel at the end of the Milky Way cul-de-sac should be developed consistently with the rest of the street. That zoning was done with both lot size limitations as well as a limit on the number of homes. The effect is that the surrounding area is developed at a density of one home per buildable acre and lot sizes that are all one acre minimum.

We are also concerned that in Milestone's filing, they misrepresented the neighborhood position by editing down statement in a misleading way. Their representation of our position is fundamentally incorrect and appears to be deliberately misleading to conform to their biased narrative.

Given those concerns, we'd like to schedule something next week to discuss the concerns that our neighborhood has about the proposal, and the specific targets that the neighborhood is willing to suggest. Can you provide a few days/times of availability for you and your team?

Thank you, Brian Showers

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To:
Subject:
Brenda Langford
RE: Zoning Case C14-2018-0124

From: Brenda Langford < >
Sent: Tuesday, February 05, 2019 3:35 PM
To: Sirwaitis, Sherri [Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov](mailto:Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov)
Subject: Zoning Case C14-2018-0124
Ms. Sirwaitis,
I'm not sure of the process, but wanted to send in a letter of opposition to the SF-1 zoning with NO CO on Case C14-2018-0124. After reading through the application and it's attachments, the applicant seems to imply that the Milky Way residents were accepting of the 45 home limit and therefore this case should be a slam dunk. That information is being taken completely out of context with relation to the current development vs. the development previously imposed.

The prior development was originally proposing 110 homes AND additional support towards a charitable endeavor. In light of the reduction from of total home sites AND the community benefit to the charity we were open to those discussions. However, there was an additional CO being discussed at that time that has now been taken off of the table, which is a detriment to the existing homes subject to prior, more restrictive zoning.

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Zoning should be applied consistently and fairly to all participants; both the party requesting new zoning and the existing neighbors with contiguous tracts.

If there is some more formal action needed to voice opposition, please let me know. Thank you and the staff for . consideration of these points in considering this application.

Respectfully, Brenda Langford


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Traffic counts were taken for a prior rezoning application (C14-2015-0083) and as the land uses have not changed, review staff determined new traffic counts were not required.

