

Briefing on Proposed Annexation into Travis County Water Control and Improvement District No. 20

Environmental Commission

May 1, 2019

Overview

- Review a petition requesting City consent to annex territory into a Water District (District)
 - Statutory Requirements
 - City Process
 - Applicant's Proposal
 - Staff Recommendation
- **The Environmental Commission is asked to make a recommendation to support or deny the request for City consent to the proposed annexation**

Statutory Requirements

- State law requires the owner of property located in a City's ETJ to obtain City consent prior to that property becoming part of a District
- The City is not authorized to place restrictions or conditions on this consent
- If the City fails or refuses to consent within 90 days of receipt of a written request, the owner may petition the City to make available those services to be provided by the District
- Failure to execute a mutually agreeable contract for services within 120 days constitutes authorization for inclusion of land within the District

City Review Process

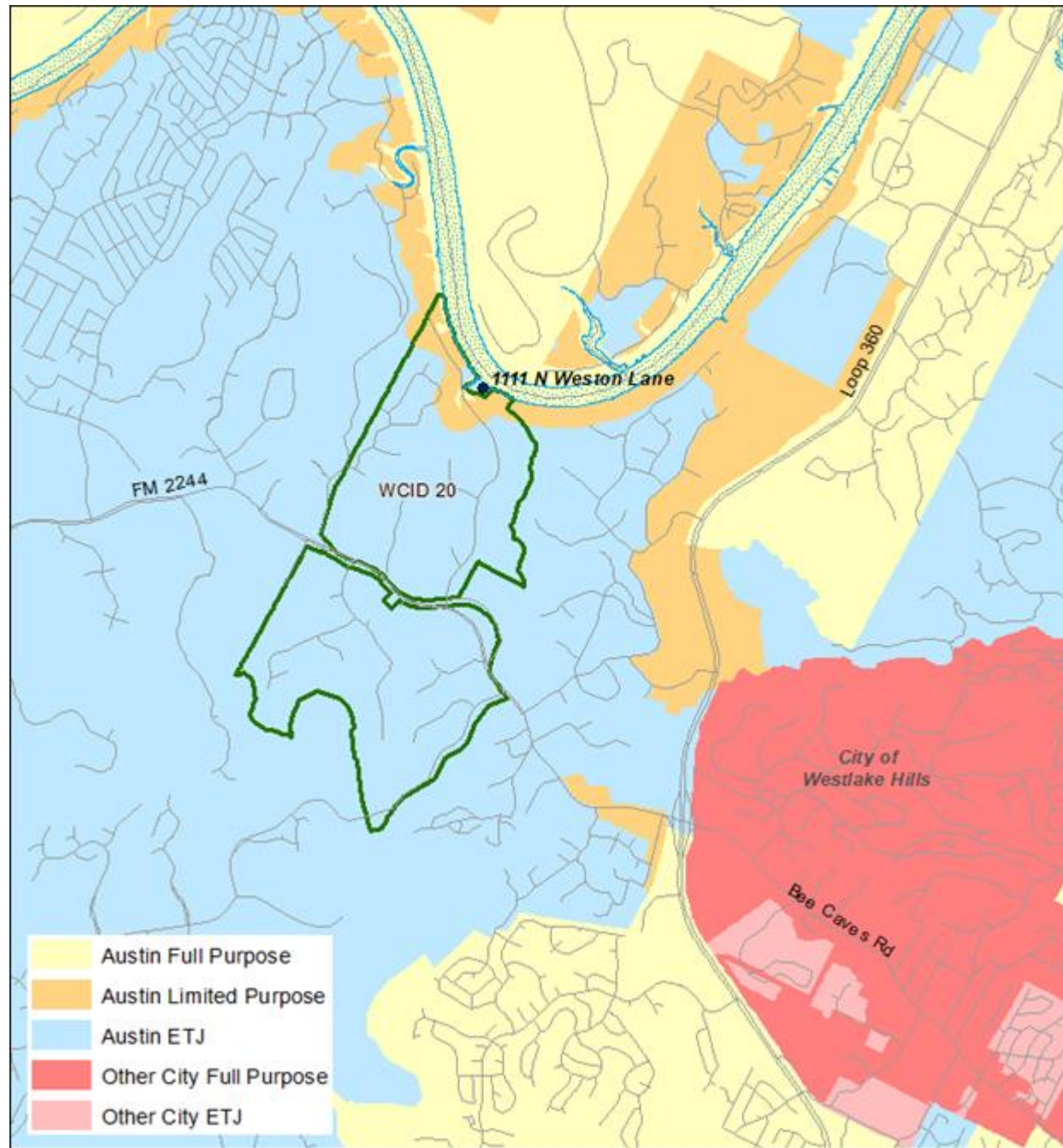
- City Code requires review by staff and commissions prior to action by Council
- Evaluation in terms of:
 - Impact on the City's annexation program
 - Land Use impacts
 - The City's ability to provide direct water and/or wastewater service
 - The terms of the City's consent agreement/contract with the District
 - Whether the annexation would induce development within the Drinking Water Protection Zone (DWPZ) beyond what would occur otherwise

Applicant's Proposal

- Requesting City consent to allow the District to annex this property and provide utility services for an existing single family residence and proposed guest house
- The District's engineer has advised that the water utility facilities of the District are sufficient to provide the requested service to the property
- The District Board has approved the annexation request contingent upon receiving the City's approval of the District's annexation of the property

Subject Property

- Approximately 2.309 acres located at 1111 N Weston Lane in western Travis County
- Located in Austin's ETJ, surrounded by the City's full and limited purpose jurisdiction
- Lake Austin Watershed
- An existing residence on the tract has potable water from the lake







Basis for Staff Recommendation

- Annexation of this tract into the District will not affect Austin's annexation plans and staff does not anticipate any negative land use impacts on adjacent property
- Austin Water cannot provide service to this tract
- Regulations for development will follow the same rules and processes currently in effect if the District annexes the tract

Staff and Commission Recommendation

- Staff recommends consent to the proposed annexation into the Travis County Water Control and Improvement District No. 20
- **The Environmental Commission is asked to make a recommendation to support or deny the request for City consent to the proposed annexation**