#### PARK 183 BUILDINGS 6 & 7

#### 4800 DISTRIBUTION DR. & 7900 INDUSTRY WAY

#### SP-2021-0072C

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# OUTLINE

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# **PROPERTY DATA**

- Onion Creek Watershed
- Suburban Watershed Classification
- Desired Development Zone
- City of Austin Full Purpose Jurisdiction
- Not located over Edwards
  Aquifer Recharge Zone
- Council District 2
- No Critical Environmental Features

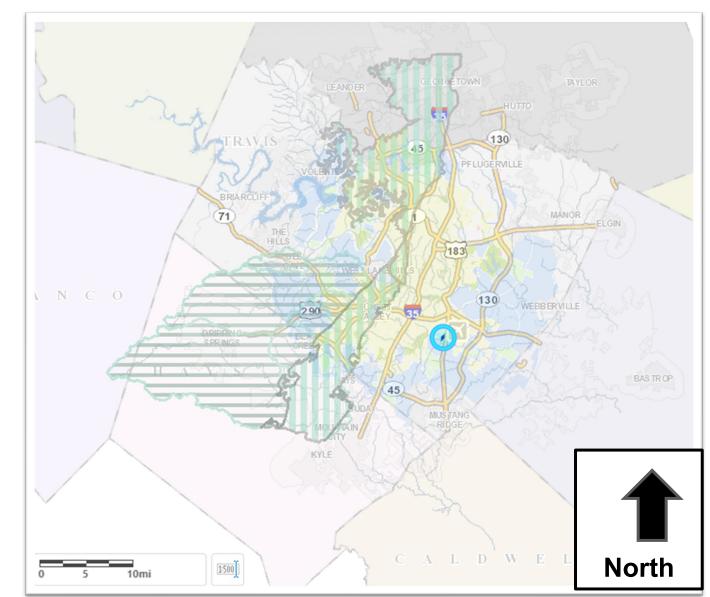


#### EDWARDS AQUIFER RECHARGE ZONE

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# BACKGROUND

- The site development proposes two warehousing and distribution facilities approximately 300,000 square feet with associated loading docks, surface parking and utility connections.
- Property lies within an industrial zone LI-CO with similar warehouse buildings ranging between 115,000 square feet to 160,000 square feet.
- This site offers a reasonable location for large industrial manufacturing warehouses as it is located in the Desired Development Zone. No critical environmental features, no steep slope.
- In order to facilitate this type of development, significant levelling is required to enhance maneuverability into the loading docks, allowing trucks to operate safely.

## **BACKGROUND (CONTINUED)**

- Existing natural ground level grades are as much as 15 feet below the finish floor elevation for the proposed new buildings.
- Due to the topography of the site and the size of the proposed buildings (each approximately 4 acres in size), in order to accomplish the operational criteria, fill up to 17 feet is necessary.
- Therefore, staff is agreeing with retaining walls provided to structurally contain the fill and minimize the amount of grading.
- Accessibility to portions of the building would not be achievable without this variance.

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

• Tall grasses, weeds and tree cover. (Hackberry, mesquite and chinaberry less than 19in)



Photo 1 Typical site view

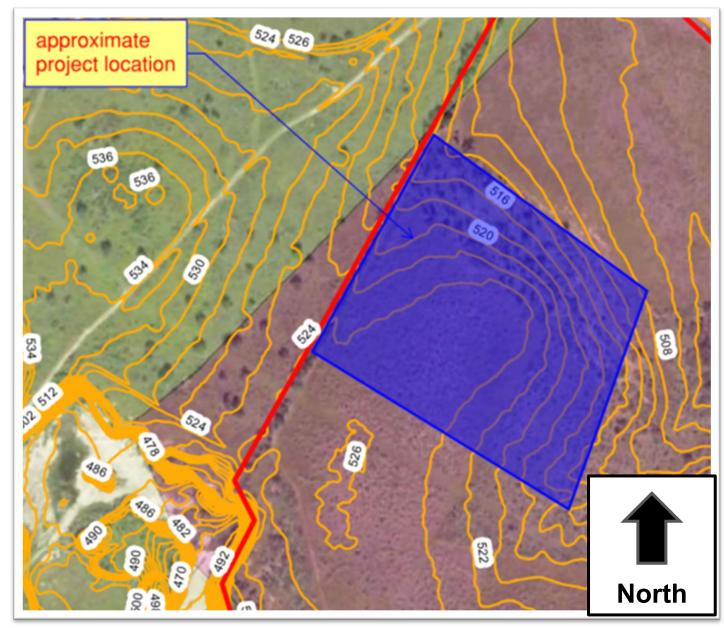




Photo 2 Typical site view

## TOPOGRAPHY

 The site mostly slopes from south to north ranging between 525 to 503. Slopes vary but do not exceed 15% in any direction except for manmade drainage swale on the north side of the property.



#### **VARIANCE REQUEST**

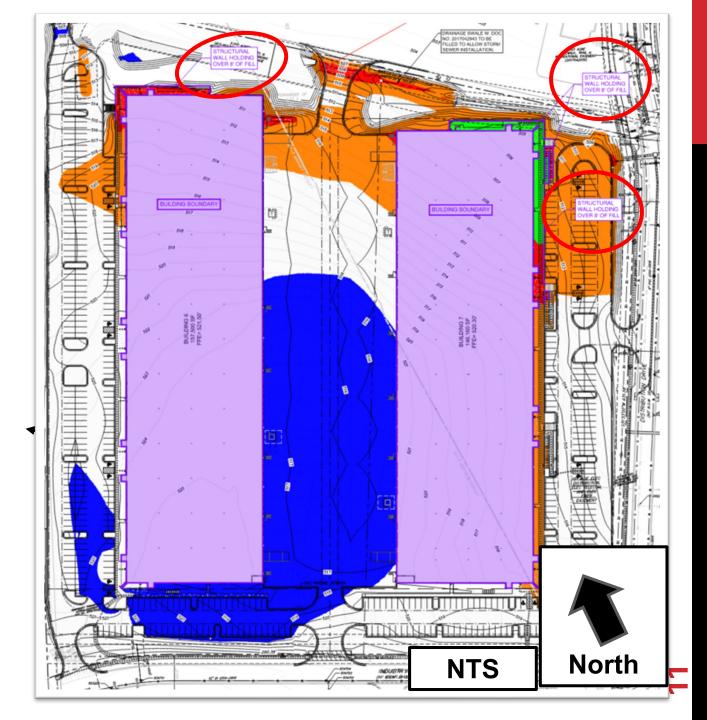
 To allow fill in excess of four feet and up to 17 feet within the Desired Development Zone. (LDC 25-8-342)

#### **PROPOSED SITE PLAN & GRADING**



## RETAINING STRUCTURES

- Retaining walls to structurally contain fill and minimize the amount of grading
- Resist lateral pressure of the soil.
- Prevent movement of soil downward.
- Enhancing stability.



## VARIANCE RECOMMENDATION

Staff has determined that the required findings of fact have been met and recommends the following condition:

• Provide structural containment of fill with retaining walls.

# **QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**