

**Agenda Questions/Responses
March 25, 2004**

- 2. What activities will be funded with money set aside for Holly De-commissioning? Why is \$2 million from the Repair and Replacement fund being moved to the Ending Balance? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

Subsequent to the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Budget adoption, the City Council adopted a resolution for the closure of Holly Power Plant no later than December 2007. The City's Financial Policies require funding of non-nuclear decommissioning cost over the four years prior to decommissioning. As the Holly closure date had advanced by two years, in November 2003 an accounting accrual for one year of decommissioning cost was made for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003. However, there was no associated Council authorization for funding. Also the Fiscal Year 2004 budget did not originally contain decommissioning expenses, because the decision to advance the Holly closure date had not yet occurred. Consequently, this budget amendment provides decommissioning funding for the two years (the 2003 accrual and the 2004 expense not included in the 2004 budget) with funding provided from the Austin Energy Repair and Replacement Fund. The monies set aside for Holly decommissioning will be used for dismantling and removal of the plant and buildings.

- 3. Is this development complying with the SOS Ordinance?
What is the impervious cover on the tract?
Is more development contemplated on the tract? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

No. This is a fully developed office complex that was constructed in the mid-90's under the Water Supply Suburban Class 1 comprehensive ordinance. Because the subject tract is within the Eanes Creek Watershed the SOS Ordinance did not apply. The reason for this Service Extension Request is that the existing office complex is currently on a water well system that is failing to deliver adequate daily volume and the applicant is requesting the extension of City water infrastructure to the complex. Because the office complex is outside of the full-purpose City limits in the Drinking Water Protection Zone, this request must be approved by Council as per the Code.

The existing site consists of nine small, one-story office buildings on approximately 7 acres. In review of the site plan for this complex, it appears that the total impervious cover was below the 40-80% allowable under Water Supply Suburban Class 1 (approximately 39% total impervious cover).

No. The site is fully developed.

15. How was priority determined on this project? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)

The Walnut Creek - Wells Branch Flood/Erosion Control Regional Pond project addresses high priority house flood hazard and stream bank and structure erosion hazard risks identified in the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department's Master Plan. Additionally, the availability of \$1.2M in funding from the Regional Stormwater Management Program to support the project and the willingness of land owners to donate lands required for the pond project were additional factors in support of project implementation priority.