

Agenda Questions/Responses
April 15, 2004

- 7. Is a sketch of the pedestrian bridge/underpass available? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

The design sketch has been sent to Council Offices via e-mail attachment.

- 9. Is the position in the DA's office envisioned to be permanent or temporary? If permanent what are the plans for funding the position in the future? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

Since the position is grant-funded, it is a temporary position until permanent funding within the District Attorney's Office can be obtained. We are currently in the process of applying for year 2 grant funding to continue the position for another grant year.

- 16. What caused the dangerous levels of hydrogen sulfide at the "Lockheed Shaft?" (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

Hydrogen Sulfide is a natural byproduct in wastewater. When the wastewater is agitated the gas releases from the solution. At Lockheed and other shafts, the wastewater is introduced to the tunnel through a drop shaft connected to the main tunnel by a smaller lateral tunnel. This is necessary because the source is gravity feed lines from users, and they arrive at the drop shaft at differing elevations. The main tunnel is well below these lines. The agitation occurs as the wastewater falls into the drop shaft. The level of gas released is linked to many factors which can include: fall height, flow rate, wastewater characteristics and initial gas concentration.

Is this at the Lockheed plant? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)

No, Lockheed shaft is near US 71 and US 183 intersection.

- 29. Why wasn't this brought forward previously with the last acquisition of video cameras? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

The original purchase of the video cameras was a priority purchase. Each of these cameras came equipped with a transmitter. However, after some use and additional research, it became evident that APD would benefit from having a transmitter for each officer. This was for the purposes of consistency and the capability of working outside of the vehicle, separate from the camera itself.

- 30. Will flashers be installed at both locations? (at Arthur Stiles and Garden) When is it anticipated the signs will be installed? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

Flashers will be installed on both Arthur Stiles Road and Gardner Road. The signs and flashers should be installed within 6 weeks.

- 31. Please provide some breakdown of the costs of this facility.
What is the cost per square foot? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

The project was bid on a lump sum basis. The architect's cost estimate has been sent via e-mail attachment to Council Offices.

**Will this be located next to the Austin Nature Center or within it?
If the former, where will it be exactly? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

The inside dimensions of the building are 48'-8" X 21'- 8". The total award amount is \$228,457. The cost per square foot is \$216.64. This cost includes a portable generator, a bathroom, an office, separate process and potable water systems, connections to a water well, an energy efficient HVAC system, several hundred feet of 4-inch wastewater line, wastewater connections to the Trail House (which currently uses a septic tank) and an overhead coiling door.

The facility will be located south of the Trail House and east of the Austin Nature and Science Center. A map has been sent to Council Offices via e-mail attachment.

- 43a. For the 5 minority groups eligible for institutional level funding, what is the amount of their operating budget and what is their current allocation? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

Answer has been distributed to Council Offices via e-mail attachment.

- 43b. What are the current matching amounts required for the existing cultural contract recipients? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

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- 43c. What is the proposed structure of the panels that will review cultural arts applications? Who will serve on these panels? What process will be used to select the panelists? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

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- 43d. Please provide a copy of all correspondence received regarding the proposed guidelines. Please provide a list of all meetings held with existing cultural contract recipients that occurred after the guidelines were released. (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

Copies of all correspondence, and lists of all meetings are being delivered to Council Offices by Wednesday.

A summary has also been sent via e-mail attachment.

- 49. What are the NPZD and WPD recommendations for the number of units on the property? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department does not have a specific recommendation regarding the number of units proposed. Staff is recommending the SF-6 zoning for the property.

Watershed Protection and Development Review does not have a specific recommendation on the number of units, rather the recommendation is to limit the access to one creek crossing in order to access a buildable area of the site. This would indirectly limit the number of units because a second creek crossing would be necessary to access the other potential building area.

- 51. On Tract 15b, how many GR uses are permitted under the CO that are not permitted under LR? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

There are 12 community commercial (GR) uses that are permitted under the conditional overlay (CO) and that are not neighborhood commercial (LR) uses: 1. Business or Trade School; 2. Business Support Services; 3. Communication Services; 4. Funeral Services; 5. General Retail Sales (General) of any type less than 20,000 sq. ft.; 6. Hotel-Motel; 7. Indoor Entertainment; 8. Indoor Sports and Recreation; 9. Personal Improvement Services; 10. Research Services; 11. Restaurant (General); and 12. Theater.

There is 1 GR use that is permitted conditionally under the CO that is not a LR use: Hospital Services (General).

Please note that a "drive-in service" as an accessory use to a principal commercial use is prohibited.