

Agenda Questions/Responses
August 05, 2004

- 2. Please provide current Articles 1 through 16 of Chapter 15-9. (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

The current articles were provided previously (May 12, 2004) to Council Offices via e-mail attachment and are in the current back-up for the Item.

- 5a. Did the office of the Federal Security Director send an official letter or analysis of the proposal? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

Please see Item #4 which was attached to the memo from Mr. Smith dated August 4, 2004 and distributed to Council Offices as late back-up. It is an email from Mike Scott, the TSA Director.

- 5b. Does the airport own any other tracts of land that are suitable for this use but which are not in such close proximity to the terminal? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

ABIA does not have another tract of land that has existing pavement that is readily available with an empty building adjacent to it that can be used for the storage of the karts, pro shop, office space and parts and service center.

Also, Mike Scott, Federal Security Director, has stated that after reviewing the plans and designs for the track, he is of the opinion that this proposal will actually enhance the current security posture along the airport perimeter.

- 5c. Please provide accident rates on other such facilities.**

Have there been injuries?

How severe and how frequent?

Please provide the best information available. (Council Member Daryl Slusher)

Michiana Raceway Park (MRP Inc.) a racekarting school in Buchanan, Michigan, has recorded two serious injuries since it opened in 1987. Both were broken collarbones. According to owner Garry Lobaugh, the most common injuries are minor burns associated with careless customers touching hot kart pipes.

According to the National Karting Association (NKA), out of more than 300,000 participants on average over the last five years, there have been 125 claims per year from all forms of kart racing. This equates to roughly one claim per 2400-3000 participants. A claim can be anything from a scratch on an arm, to something more severe.

A track in the NKA system usually averages 120 participants, with a season averaging 15 events. This equates to an average of 1800 participants per track per year. One of these tracks might realize a claim, on average, once every two to three years.

5d. What are the ages of these racers? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)

It's proposed as a family entertainment business and the ages will range from 6 - 60.

9a. Will the patrons of Victory Grill be able to access this parking lot at will? (Council Member Danny Thomas)

Patrons of Victory Grill will be able to utilize the 2nd floor of the newly constructed parking structure in the 1000 block of East 11th Street (Street-Jones Building) after hours. If parking is needed during normal business hours (8am - 5pm), then yes, the patrons will be able to access the community parking lot at 1205 E. 11th Street. Victory Grill will work with the ARA for use of this parking lot for their patrons.

**9b. 1. Who will utilize this parking lot?
2. How far is this parking lot from the Victory Grill?
(Council Member Danny Thomas)**

The community parking lot will be utilized by existing and new businesses, on East 11th and 12th Streets within 1000 feet, to meet their parking requirements.

Victory Grill is approximately 1 1/2 city blocks from the proposed community parking lot.

9c. Does "community parking lot" mean free to anyone? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)

Yes, the community parking will be free to anyone.

10. For what purpose will the \$75,000 be used? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)

The \$75,000 forgivable loan (based on performance, e.g., constructing the parking lot) is to assist the ARA with the design and construction of the community parking lot on this parcel. ARA will fund the remainder of the costs for the parking lot.

17. For how long will AWU need the temporary easements? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)

These temporary easements will be needed for 3 years

19. At what rate will the house be leased back to the ACDC? Why was there a need for a settlement agreement? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)

A settlement agreement was needed (May 2000) due to the fact that Anderson Community Development Corporation (ACDC) had triggered an event of default under its contract with the City to develop affordable housing. In lieu of foreclosure, the City entered into a settlement agreement with ACDC, which resulted in the transfer of all ACDC's assets to the City, which were acquired under its contract with the City. One of the requirements under the settlement

agreement was for the City to renovate the Connelly-Yerwood house and lease it back to ACDC for \$1 per year with the option to take ownership at a later date. ACDC will utilize the building for their office as well as a Community Center.

46. What improvements result in the \$14 million fiscal note? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)

The Tracking Chart included with the back-up for this item (also emailed to Council Offices), lists a number of items that carry a capital cost. One recommendation is to extend the Great Streets program to Guadalupe St. (estimated at \$9.3 million) The plan also recommends starting the Guadalupe St. renovation project as soon as possible. That project is estimated at \$4.7 million. It is already partially funded. The other recommendations for which we have cost estimates are the new sidewalk construction recommendations and a few small parks improvement items.

47a. If the parking requirement is reduced from 100% to 60%, how many space are likely to be produced per dwelling unit? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)

At 60% of the required parking efficiency apartments, one-bedroom apartments, and two-bedroom apartments would require 1 parking space each.

47b. How much is a person at 100% MFI able to pay to purchase a home? How much is a person at 80% MFI able to pay to purchase a home? How much is a person at 50% MFI able to pay to purchase a home? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)

Under S.M.A.R.T. Housing™, they can not pay more than 30% of their gross income on housing, including utilities. Based on family size, here are the maximum monthly mortgage and utility payments based on family size:

1 person @ 50% MFI = \$622
1 person @ 80% MFI = \$995
2 persons @ 50% MFI = \$663
2 persons @ 80% MFI = \$1137
3 persons @ 50% MFI = \$800
3 persons @ 80% MFI = \$1280
4 persons @ 50% MFI = \$889
4 persons @ 80% MFI = \$1422
5 persons @ 50% MFI = \$960
5 persons @ 80% MFI = \$1536

Since housing for a family at 100% MFI is not considered "reasonably-priced", the only breakout we have is for a family of four earning \$66,900 (100% of median for the Austin area in 2004 as determined by HUD). For this household, the maximum would be \$1,672.50 a month.