

# Public Hearing CITY OF AUSTIN RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 59 AGENDA DATE: Thu 05/27/2004

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<u>SUBJECT:</u> Set a public hearing to consider a request for a waiver from the minimum distance requirement of City Code Section 4-9-4(A) which requires 300 feet between a business, Baja Fresh, that proposes to sell alcoholic beverages at 2100 Guadalupe and a church, St. Austin's Catholic Parish, located at 2026 Guadalupe. (Suggested date and time: June 10, 2004 at 6:00 p.m., Lower Colorado River Authority, Hancock Building.)

## **AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A**

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Watershed Protection and DIRECTOR'S

**DEPARTMENT:** Development Review AUTHORIZATION: <u>Joe Pantalion</u>

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Luci Gallahan, 974-2669; Martha Vincent, 974-3371

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** N/A

The applicant, Baja Fresh, requests a waiver from the minimum distance requirement of 300 feet in Section 4-9-4(A) of the Austin City Code because they intend to sell alcoholic beverages at a restaurant which is located 213 feet from a church, St. Austin's Catholic Parish at 2026 Guadalupe.

Section 4-9-5 allows the City Council to waive the 300-foot distance requirement if they determine that enforcement of the distance requirement in a particular instance:

- (1) is not in the best interest of the public;
- (2) constitutes waste or the inefficient use of land or other resources;
- (3) creates an undue hardship on an applicant;
- (4) does not serve its intended purpose;
- (5) is not effective or necessary; or
- (6) for any other reason the council, after consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the public and the equities of the situation, determines is in the best interest of the community.

Section 4-9-5(B) provides that the City Council may consider a written consent to the waiver of the 300-foot distance requirement provided by each church, public school, public hospital, day-care center or child-care facility within 300 feet of the proposed place of business to be sufficient justification for the waiver. Written consent to allow the waiver has been received from Rick Gerber, Office Manager for the church.

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#### STAFF REPORT

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE WAIVER REQUEST

CASE NUMBER: SP-04-01152AW

LOCATION OF PROPOSED BUSINESS: 2100 Guadalupe

NAME AND LOCATION OF CHURCH WITHIN 300 FEET OF PROPOSED

RESTAURANT: St. Austin's Catholic Parish, 2026 Guadalupe Street

ZONING: CS <u>USE</u>: Restaurant (General)

APPLICANT: Jim Bennett, agent

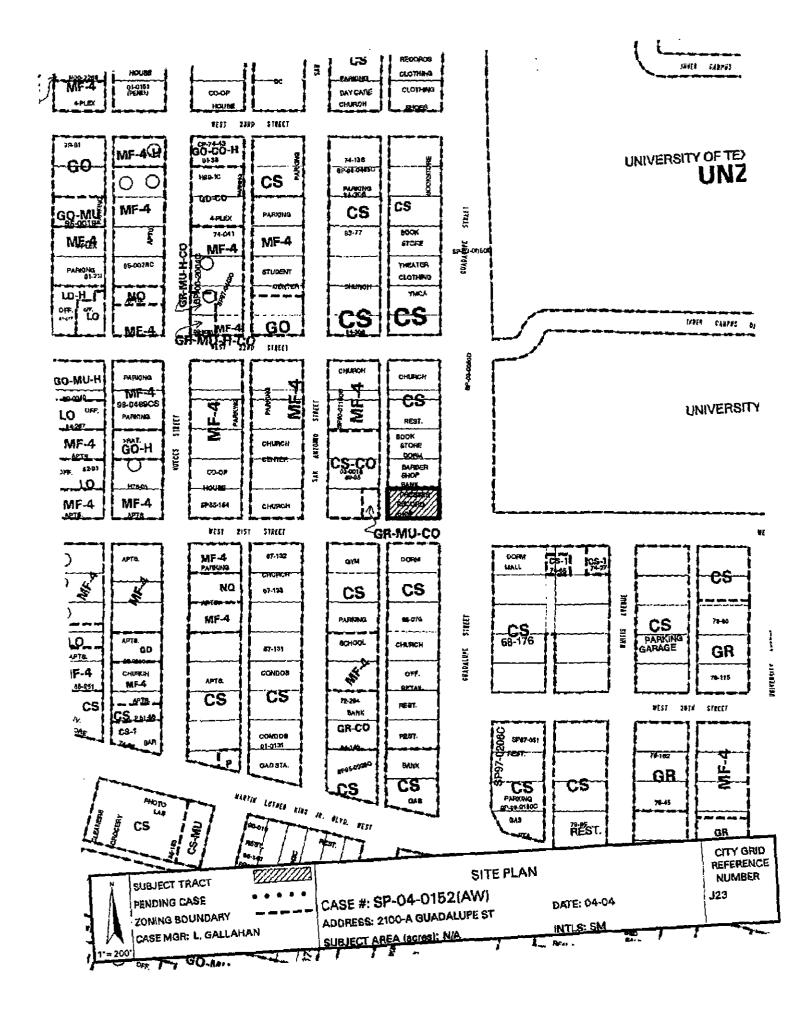
## REQUEST:

The applicant's agent, Jim Bennett, requests a waiver from the minimum distance requirement of 300 feet in Section 4-9-4(A) of the Austin City Code in order to sell beer and wine at a proposed restaurant. The restaurant is located at 2026 Guadalupe, which is 213 feet from an existing church, St. Austin's Catholic Parish, located at 2026 Guadalupe Street.

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Sent By; TEXAS RESTAURANT GROUP; 817 810 0802; To: 808 HOME At: 8313187. .128

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November 13, 2003

Bob Stewart Texas Restaurant Group, Inc. DBA Baja Fresh Mexican Grill 550 Bailey Ave. #230 Ft. Worth TX 76107

Dear Mr. Stewart,

St. Austin Catholic Parish located at 2026 Guadalupe in Austin TX has no objections to Baja Presh Mexican Grill selling beer/wine in its restaurant at 2100 Guadalupe Street.

Sincercly,

Rick Gerber

St. Austin Catholic Parish

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