



Item # 58ph

**Zone Hearings/App Ordinances/Restrictive Covenants
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

AGENDA DATE: 4/6/2006

Subject: C14-06-0011 - T-Mobile Wireless Facility - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending Chapter 25-2 of the Austin City Code by rezoning property locally known as 13208 Dessau Road (Harris Branch Watershed) from development reserve (DR) district zoning to townhouse and condominium residence-conditional overlay (SF-6-CO) combining district zoning. Zoning and Platting Commission Recommendation: To grant townhouse and condominium residence-conditional overlay (SF-6-CO) combining district zoning. Applicant: Glenn H. Schmidt. Agent: T-Mobile Texas, L.P. (Alyse Krekel). City Staff: Sherri Sirwaitis, 974-3057.

Requesting Department: NPZD

For More Information: Sherri Sirwaitis, 974-3057

ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C14-06-0011

Z.A.P. DATE: March 7, 2006

ADDRESS: 13208 Dessau Road

OWNER/APPLICANT: Glenn H. Schmidt

AGENT: T-Mobile Texas, L.P. (Alyse Krekel)

ZONING FROM: DR

TO: SF-6-CO*

AREA: 8.709 acres
(16,139 square feet)

* The applicant has proposed a conditional overlay to limit development on the site to SF-1, Single-Family Residence-Large Lot District, density regulations and to limit development on the site to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day.

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The staff's recommendation is to grant the applicant's request for SF-6-CO, Townhouse & Condominium Residence-Conditional Overlay District, zoning.

ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION:

3/07/06: Approved staff's recommendation of SF-6-CO zoning by consent (9-0); J. Martinez-1st, J. Pinnelli-2nd.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

The property in question is currently developed as a ranch/farm with a single-family residence, a barn, and shed structures. The applicant is requesting to rezone the site to construct a telecommunications tower on a portion of this tract of land. The SF-6 zoning district is the most restrictive district in which a monopole tower is allowed by the City's Land Development Code. Although the SF-6 zoning district allows for townhomes, condominiums, duplexes and single family residences, the property owner does not propose to develop any new residential development on the property at this time.

The maximum tower height is determined by the distance in feet to an SF-5 or more restrictive district. In this case, the maximum tower height would be 250 feet, as measured from the existing single-family residence on the site and from the SF-2, Single Family Residence district zoning located adjacent to the west of the rezoning area. In addition, the location of the tower on the subject property is limited by the application of a 200 foot setback from the SF-2 zoning to the west [LDC, 25-2-839 (F)(1) and (F)(2)] and a 300 foot setback from the property that is zoned as DR-H (historic landmark district designation to the north [LDC, 25-2-839 (E)(1)(a)]]. The church use to the north and elementary school use to the south does not trigger the application of setbacks, as required by SF-5 or more restrictive zoning or use, according to LDC, 25-2-839 (I)(2 & 5).

For Information:

A Telecommunication tower use is allowed in all zoning districts with the exception of DR provided it: 1) replaces a functioning tower or utility pole, 2) does not exceed the original height of the tower or pole, 3) does not obstruct public access, and 4) is similar in appearance and function to the tower or pole [LDC 25-2-839 (D)]. The property owner is unable to satisfy the above conditions and therefore, has proceeded with an application for SF-6 zoning. SF-6 or less restrictive district zoning must be in place prior to Zoning and Platting Commission consideration of a Conditional Use Permit for the proposed telecommunications tower [LDC, 25-2-839 (G)(1) and (G)(2)].

The staff recommends the applicant's request for SF-6-CO district zoning because the property meets the purpose statement of the Townhouse & Condominium Residence District as it takes access onto a major arterial roadway, Dessau Road. The site is located adjacent to residential zoning to the north and west and office zoning to the north and south. The proposed SF-6-CO zoning will allow for a transition in uses from Dessau Road to the SF-2, single family residences to the west.

The applicant agrees with staff's recommendation.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USES
<i>Site</i>	DR	Ranch/Farm Land with a Single-Family Residence, Barn, and Shed Structures
<i>North</i>	MF-2-CO, DR-H, LO-CO	Undeveloped Tract, Fellowship Hall/Historic Church, Cemetery
<i>South</i>	DR, LO-CO, LR-CO	Elementary School, Undeveloped Tracts
<i>East</i>	County	Vacant House, Undeveloped Land, Automotive Transmission Shop, Office/ Warehouse Use
<i>West</i>	SF-2	Single-Family Residential Neighborhood

AREA STUDY: N/A

TIA: Not required

WATERSHED: Harris Branch

DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes

CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: N/A

HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY: N/A

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

- 64 - River Oaks Lakes Estates Neighborhood
- 114 - North Growth Corridor Alliance
- 643 - North East Action Group
- 756 - Harris Ridge Phase IV

SCHOOLS:

Copperfield Elementary School
Pflugerville Middle School
Dobie Middle School
Lanier High School

CASE HISTORIES:

NUMBER	REQUEST	COMMISSION	CITY COUNCIL
C14-04-0056	I-RR to CS, MF-3, SF-6, SF-2	11/02/04: Approved staff's recommendation of SF-2-CO, SF-6, MF-3, LR, LR-MU, GR, GR-MU zoning by consent (9-0)	12/16/04: Granted SF-2-CO, SF-6, MF-3, LR-MU, GR and GR-MU on all 3 readings (7-0)
C14-04-0127	GR-CO to GR	10/19/04: Approved staff's recommendation of GR-CO zoning by consent (9-0), with CO to prohibit Adult Oriented Business uses and a public restrictive covenant to encompass the TIA recommendations	11/18/04: Granted GR-CO (7-0); all 3 readings
C14-03-0001	DR to LO	1/28/03: Approved staff's recommendation of LO-CO zoning, w/2,000 trip limit (8-0, J. Donisi-absent)	2/27/03: Granted LO-CO on all 3 (6-0, Goodman-out of room)
C14-00-2101	DR to CS	8/1/00: Approved staff rec. w/ condition of no Adult Oriented Businesses (8-0)	9/28/00: Approved GR-CO w/ conditions on TR 1 & 2 (7-0); all 3 readings
C14H-00-0005	DR to DR-H	9/12/00: Approved staff rec. by consent (6-0)	10/5/00: approved DR-H (5-0); all 3 readings
C14-98-0258	DR to MF-2	10/26/99: Approved staff rec. of MF-2-CO, w/ 400 unit limit, by consent (8-0, BH-off dias)	12/2/99: Approved PC rec. of MF-2-CO w/ conditions (6-0, WL-absent); 1 st reading 1/27/00: Approved 2 nd /3 rd readings by consent (6-0)
C14-98-0257	DR to GR	10/26/99: Approved staff rec. of LO-CO (TR 1, 2, 3) & GR (TR 4 & TR5) by consent (8-0, BH-off dias)	12/2/99: Approved PC rec. of LO (TR1), LO-CO (TR 2 & 3) w/ conditions, and GR (TR 4 & 5) (6-0, WL-absent); 1 st reading 1/27/00: Approved 2 nd /3 rd readings by consent (6-0)
C14-98-0126	DR to GR	9/29/98: Approved LR-CO w/ conditions that uses limited to 'NO' uses (9-0)	11/5/98: Approved PC rec. of LR-CO (TRA) & LO-CO (TRB) w/ conditions (6-0); all 3 readings
C14-97-0126	DR to GR	12/9/97: Approved GR-CO w/ conditions (5-3)	2/5/98: Approved PC rec. of GR-CO w/ new conditions (5-0); 1 st reading 4/9/98: Approved GR-CO w/ conditions (7-0); 2 nd / 3 rd readings

RELATED CASES: N/A

ABUTTING STREETS:

NAME	ROW	PAVMENT	CLASSIFICATION	DAILY TRAFFIC
Dessau Road	120'	2@30'	Major Arterial	N/A

CITY COUNCIL DATE: April 6, 2006

ACTION:

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1st

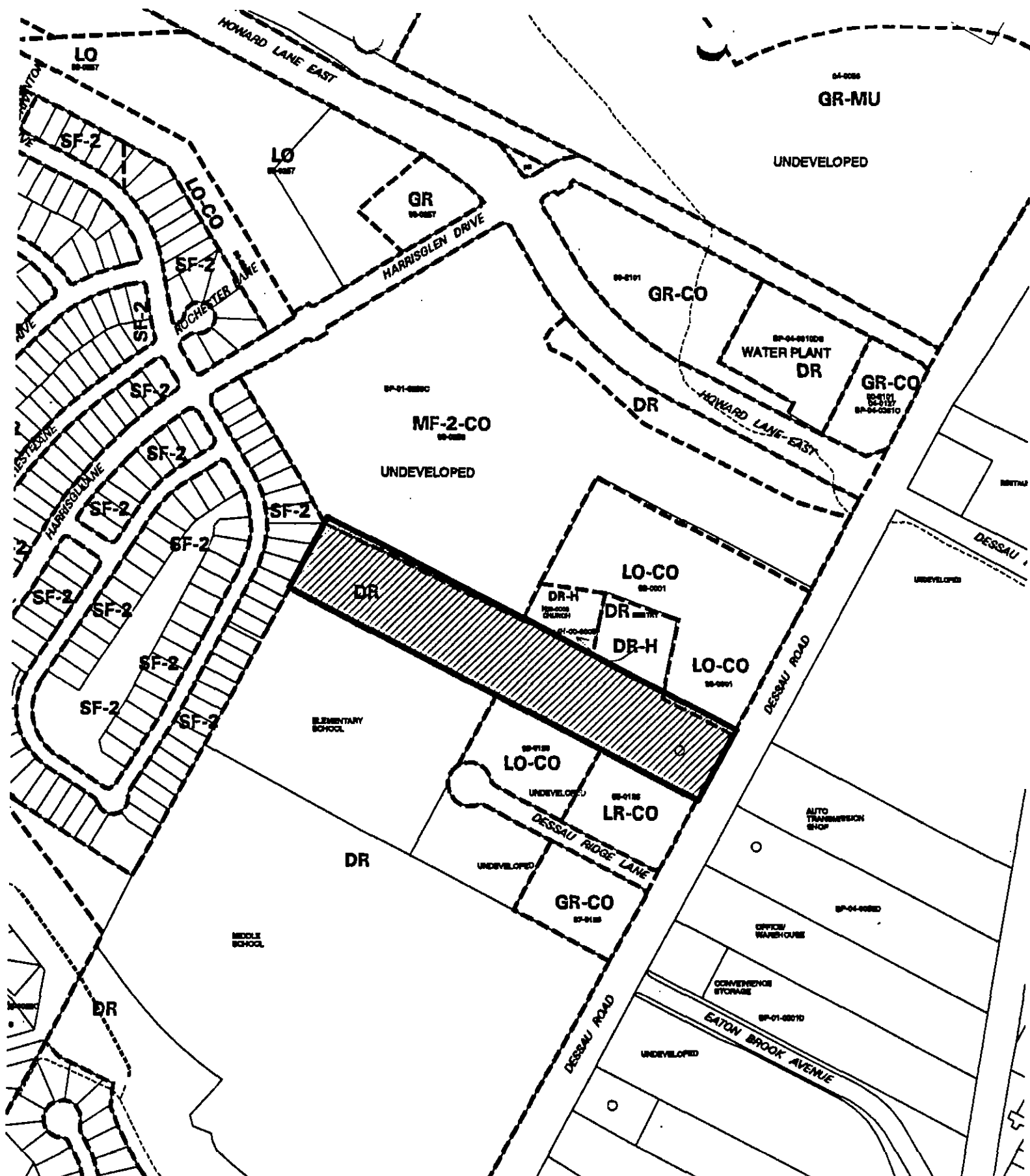
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ORDINANCE NUMBER:

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	<p>SUBJECT TRACT</p> <p>PENDING CASE</p> <p>ZONING BOUNDARY</p> <p>CASE MGR: S.SIRWAITIS</p>	<p>ZONING</p> <p>CASE #: C14-06-0011</p> <p>ADDRESS: 13208 DESSAU RD</p> <p>SUBJECT AREA (acres): 8.709</p> <p>DATE: 06-01</p> <p>INTLS: SM</p>	<p>CITY GRID REFERENCE NUMBER</p> <p>P33</p>
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The staff's recommendation is to grant the applicant's request for SF-6-CO, Townhouse & Condominium Residence-Conditional Overlay District, zoning.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION

1. *The proposed zoning should be consistent with the purpose statement of the district sought.*

Townhouse and condominium residence (SF-6) district is the designation for a moderate density single family, duplex, two-family, townhouse, and condominium use that is not subject to the spacing and location requirements for townhouse and condominium use in an SF-5 district. An SF-6 district designation may be applied to a use in an area with large lots that have access to streets other than minor residential streets. An SF-6 district may be used as a transition between a single family and multifamily residential use.

The site under consideration meets the purpose statement of the SF-6 district because the property fronts onto a major arterial roadway, Dessau Road, and is located adjacent to existing MF-2-CO and SF-2 zoning.

2. *The proposed zoning should promote consistency, and orderly planning.*

The proposed zoning will allow for a transition in uses from Dessau Road to the SF-2, single family residences to the west. The site is located adjacent to residential zoning (MF-2-CO) to the north and (SF-2) west and office (LO-CO) zoning to the north and south.

3. *Zoning should allow for reasonable use of the property.*

The proposed zoning will allow the applicant to maintain a single-family residence on the site while adding a telecommunications tower to serve the surrounding areas on a portion of this 8.709 acre tract of land.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

Site Characteristics

The subject tract is currently developed as a ranch/or farm. The property contains a single-family residence, a barn, and shed structures. The remainder of the property to the west is a grassy undeveloped area.

Hill Country Roadway

The site is not within a Hill Country Roadway Corridor.

Impervious Cover

The maximum impervious cover allowed by the SF-6 zoning district would be 55%, MF-3 zoning district would be 65%. However, because the watershed impervious cover is more restrictive than the zoning district's allowable impervious cover, the impervious cover is limited by the watershed regulations.

Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment on this site will be subject to the following impervious cover limits:

Development Classification	% of Net Site Area	% with Transfers
Single-Family (minimum lot size 5750 sq. ft.)	50%	60%
Other Single-Family or Duplex	55%	60%
Multifamily	60%	70%
Commercial	80%	90%

Note: The most restrictive impervious cover limit applies.

Environmental

The site is not located over the Edward's Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is in the Desired Development Zone. The site is in the Harris Branch Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as a Suburban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code.

According to flood plain maps, there is no floodplain within, or adjacent to the project boundary.

Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.

At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding existing trees and other vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.

Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment on this site will be subject to the following water quality control requirements:

- Structural controls: Sedimentation and filtration basins with increased capture volume and 2 year detention.

At this time, no information has been provided as to whether this property has any pre-existing approvals that preempt current water quality or Code requirements.

Transportation

No additional right-of-way is needed at this time.

The trip generation under the requested zoning is estimated to be 757 trips per day, assuming that the site develops to the maximum intensity allowed under the zoning classification (without consideration of setbacks, environmental constraints, or other site characteristics).

A traffic impact analysis was not required for this case because the traffic generated by the proposed zoning does not exceed the threshold of 2,000 vehicle trips per day. [LDC, 25-6-113]

Existing Street Characteristics:

NAME	ROW	PAVEMENT	CLASSIFICATION	SIDEWALKS	CAPITAL METRO	BICYCLE PLAN
Dessau Road	120'	Varies	Major Arterial	No	No	No

Water and Wastewater

The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing the water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extension, system upgrades, utility relocation, and adjustments. The water and wastewater utility plan must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility. The plan must be in accordance with the City design criteria. The water and wastewater utility construction must be inspected by the City. The landowner must pay the associated City fees.

Stormwater Detention

At the time a final subdivision plat, subdivision construction plans, or site plan is submitted, the developer must demonstrate that the proposed development will not result in additional identifiable flooding of other property. Any increase in stormwater runoff will be mitigated through on-site stormwater detention ponds, or participation in the City of Austin Regional Stormwater Management Program, if available.

Compatibility Standards

No comments.

