Thursday, April 22, 2010

Item(s) to Set Public Hearing(s) RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 42

Subject: Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending the Austin Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan by adopting the North Lamar Combined Neighborhood Plan. The combined planning area is bounded by IH-35 on the east, Braker Lane on the north, US Highway 183 on the south, and Lamar Boulevard on the west. (Suggested date and time: May 27, 2010 2:00 p.m., Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

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Prior Council Action: December 14, 2006 - Council approved a Resolution 20061214-014 directing the Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department (now Planning and Development Review Department) to develop neighborhood plans for four combined planning areas in Austin, including the Central West Austin Combined Neighborhood Planning Area (NPA), Heritage Hills/Windsor Hills Combined NPA, Coronado Hills/St. John Combined NPA and the North Lamar Combined NPA.

This action will set a public hearing to consider an ordinance to adopt the North Lamar Combined Neighborhood Plan. This combined neighborhood planning area includes the North Lamar and Georgian Acres Neighborhood Planning Areas. Associated with this plan are the North Lamar and Georgian Acres Neighborhood Plan Combining Districts.

Neighborhood Planning staff have been meeting with neighborhood stakeholders, including neighborhood associations, homeowners, renters, business owners, developers, and non-resident property owners and their representatives since November 2007 to develop the neighborhood plan. The first workshop was held on November 15, 2007, followed by a series of specific topic meetings and land use workshops approximately once a month. In addition, three surveys were conducted by mail and over the internet to collect feedback from the stakeholders. A process update was held on January 24, 2009 and the final workshop was held on March 6, 2010.

Attached is a boundary map of the North Lamar Combined Neighborhood Planning Area. The Plan will be considered by the Planning Commission on May 11, 2010.