



Late Backup

Whisper Valley and Indian Hills Public Improvement Districts

City Council Briefing August 5, 2010



Purpose of Briefing

- Overview of PIDs
- Public Hearings (Items #38 and 41)
- Council Action Authorizing PID Creations
 - ☐ Scheduled August 26, 2010

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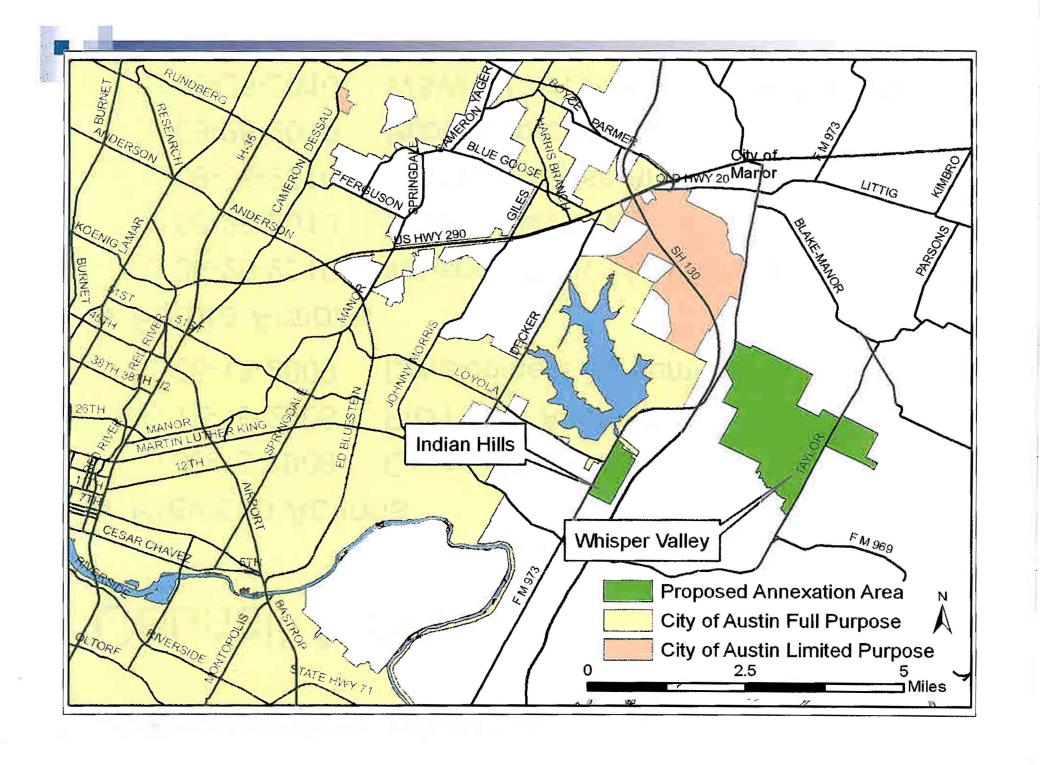
Council Actions

Previous Actions

- □ 05-15-2008 Council Resolution
- 12-18-2008 PID Policy Adopted
- □ 06-18-2009 Development Agreement

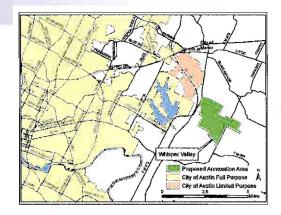
Future Actions

- 08-26-2010 Whisper Valley PUD Zoning
- 08-26-2010 Indian Hills Zoning
- □ 08-26-2010 Limited Purpose Annexation
- 08-26-2010 Public Improvement Districts
- 08-26-2010 W&WW Cost Reimbursement Agrmt.





Whisper Valley



- 2,060 Acres
- Limited Purpose Annexation
- Planned Unit Development Zoning
- Public Infrastructure
 - Extension of Braker Lane
 - Water and Wastewater Extensions and Facilities
 - □ 600 acre Public Park
- Project will be phased over 20-30 years



Indian Hills

Proposed Annexation Area

City of Austin Full Purpose

City of Austin Limited Purpose

2.5 Linker

- 240 Acres
- Limited Purpose Annexation
- Commercial / Multifamily Zoning
- Public Infrastructure
 - Extension of Decker Lake Road
 - Water and Wastewater Utility Extensions



Land Use Intensities

Whisper Valley		Indian Hills	
Single Family	2,800 Units	Multi-Family	1,500 units
Multi-Family	4,700 Units	Office	1.6 mil sq. ft.
Office	1.3 mil sq. ft.	Retail	60,000 sq. ft.
Commercial	1.3 mil sq. ft.	■ R&D	473,000 sq. ft.
		Industrial	275,000 sq. ft.



PID Benefits to City

- Limited Purpose Annexation
 - □ Land Use Controls
 - PUD Zoning
 - Superior Development
 - Affordable housing
- PID Infrastructure Funding
 - Frees up City dollars for other capital improvements
- PID Controlled by City



PID Benefits for Developer

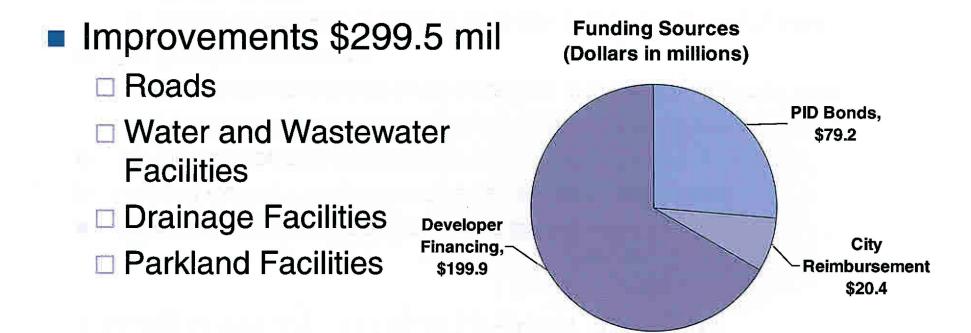
- PID funding of infrastructure lowers capital costs to Developer
- PUD allows developer more flexibility
- 15 years of grandfathering
- Full-purpose annexation deferred up to 44 ½ years



- City issues bonds only if Developer demonstrates project viability
- City is not obligated to provide funding for improvements except from bond proceeds
- Assessments remain in place until bonded debt is retired
- City can full-purpose annex property if Developer does not pursue bonds for that property within 15 years



PID Improvements and Funding





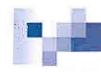
Roadway Improvements

- Travis County Participation to extend Braker Lane
- City and County Participation to extend Decker Lake Road
- Off-Site Intersection Improvements
 - 55 off-site improvements over four development phases
 - On-site improvements to be assessed with smaller, internal TIAs
- TIA Phasing Agreement:
 - Allows for transfer of funding between intersections to fully fund improvements
 - Allows for pooling of funds from other area TIAs to fully fund improvements
- Proposed Regional Participation Agreement
 - Consortium of sub-regional developers negotiating with Travis County on funding prioritized area roadways



Financing the PID Projects

- City completed preliminary "due diligence" on the Whisper Valley and Indian Hills projects in 2009.
- Used an independent consultant and the City's financial advisor to assess the developer's financing plan, including assumptions.
- Overall, project financing plan and PID assessment projections appeared achievable, even though very early in the process.



Financing the PID Projects

- Prior to the issuance of PID bonds for either project, a more in-depth, independent feasibility assessment will be completed.
 - Taking current real estate market conditions and future market outlook into account
 - Including an assessment of reasonableness of the developer's absorption and pricing assumptions
- City's financial advisor and bond counsel will be retained to manage debt issuance.



Financing the PID Projects

- Levy of assessments secures PID bonds.
 - Primary security underlying PID assessments is lien on land.
 - ☐ Feasibility study will help assure that assessments will be sufficient to support debt service.
- City's full faith, credit, or taxing power is not pledged to guarantee bond payments.



PID Legislation / Attorney General

- Senate Bill 978 (vetoed)
- House Bill 621 (adopted)
- Attorney General Involvement
- Potential 2011 Legislation



Next Steps

- PID Public Hearings (8/5)
- 2nd Limited Purpose Annexation Hearings (8/5)
- Limited Purpose Annexations (8/26)
- Zoning (8/26)
- Water/Wastewater Cost Reimbursement Agreement Amendment (8/26)
- PID Authorizations (8/26)

