

Thursday, August 19, 2010

## Addendum RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 82

**Subject:** Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance for floodplain variances requested by Mr. Alan Rhames of Axiom Engineers on behalf of the owner, M. Station Housing L.P., to develop a childcare services building and associated parking that encroach on the 25-year and 100-year floodplains of Boggy Creek. The property is located at 2918 East Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard. (Suggested date and time: August 26, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

Amount and Source of Funding: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

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Alan Rhames of Axiom Engineers on behalf of the owner, M. Station Housing L.P., proposes to develop a 14,968 square foot childcare services building and parking area at the site located at 2918 East Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard. The building will encroach on the 100-year floodplain of Boggy Creek. The parking area will encroach on the 25-year and 100-year floodplains of Boggy Creek. The development is the subject of Site Plan application number SP-2009-0373C.SH(R1).

The approved development known as M Station includes multi-family residential structures, a leasing office, and associated improvements. The owner submitted a revision to the approved site plan to include a childcare center and parking lot area that will serve the development and the community. The owner proposes to place the building on fill to elevate it above the 100-year floodplain. In addition, the owner proposes to place a retaining wall in the channel of Boggy Creek to ensure that the development will not cause an adverse flooding condition on other properties.

The applicant seeks variances to the City of Austin's floodplain management regulations to: 1) allow the building to encroach on the 100-year floodplain of Boggy Creek and the parking area to encroach on the 25-year and 100-year floodplain of Boggy Creek; 2) exclude the proposed building footprint from the drainage easement requirement; 3) not be required to submit a certification to the City that demonstrates that the development will not cause any increase of the level of the 100-year floodplain; and 4) not be required to apply for a conditional Flood Insurance Rate Map revision to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.