

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Date: 4/13/16

Agenda Item #: 3

Agenda Item: Discussion and possible action directing the City Manager to explore the feasibility of the city extending Meadow Lake Boulevard, a public road, and prepare an item for Council Consideration during the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget process.

Vote

4-0 [Committee members are Council Member Renteria (Chair), Council Member Kitchen (Vice-Chair), Council Member Casar, and Council Member Gallo.]

Original Sponsors/Department

SPONSOR: Council Member Renteria

CO 1: Council Member Casar

Summary of Discussion

Council Member Garza introduced the item. Phyllis Snodgrass, Chief Executive Officer with Habitat for Humanity Austin, Sean Compton of TBG Partners, and Brian Runyon with Urban Design Group presented information on the proposed Habitat for Humanity project and street design for extension of Meadow Lake Boulevard. Committee members discussed the proposal and focused on pedestrian and bicycle safety and routes to nearby Perez Elementary School.

Direction

The Committee voted unanimously (4-0) to recommend moving the draft Resolution to the full Council for consideration, with the addition of an amendment introduced by Council Member Kitchen regarding inclusion of sidewalks and other traffic improvements to create safe routes to Perez Elementary School.

Recommendation

The Committee voted to move forward a recommendation to the full Council to adopt a resolution that directs the City Manager to explore the feasibility of the City building and maintaining the extension of Meadow Lake Boulevard, a public road, from Misty Slope Lane to Quicksilver Boulevard, as well as sidewalks and other traffic improvements necessary to support safe pedestrian and bicycle routes to Perez Elementary School, and prepare an item for Council consideration during the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget process.

Additional Information Needed

None