

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	63129	Agenda Number	25.
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Meeting Date:	10/6/2016	Department:	Planning and Zoning
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Subject

Approve an ordinance adopting the Twelfth Amendment to the Agreement Concerning Creation and Operation of Northtown Municipal Utility District to accommodate a driveway cut on Howard Lane specific to property located at 2800 S. Heatherwilde Boulevard.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	May 3, 1984 - Council approved the creation of the Northtown Municipal Utility District.
For More Information:	Virginia Collier, Planning and Zoning Department, (512) 974-2022
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	September 13, 2016 - Approved by the Urban Transportation Commission on a 6-0 vote with Commissioners Johnson, Baez, Calistrat, Hosek, and Silas absent.. September 27, 2016 - Approved by the Planning Commission on a vote of 12-0 with Commissioner Kazi absent, with a recommendation that length of the right turn lane on Heatherwilde be extended.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Northtown Municipal Utility District (MUD) is located in the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction in northern Travis County north of Howard Lane and east of the intersection of Interstate Highway 35 North and Howard Lane. The City consented to the creation of the MUD in 1985.

The Consent Agreement (Agreement) between the City and the MUD contains provisions regarding development requirements for future development within the MUD. Article XII, Section D of the Agreement states that "All allowable curb cuts on major arterial roadways shall be at least two hundred (200) feet apart."

The City received an application to amend the Consent Agreement to accommodate a driveway cut on Howard Lane specific to a property located at 2800 S. Heatherwilde Blvd. This amendment would allow for the construction of a driveway as contemplated on a site plan currently in review (SP-2015-0481D) but that does not meet the minimum 200' spacing required along arterial roadways in the Agreement.

Based on additional transportation improvements to be funded and built by the developer as part of this project, the

City's transportation review staff from Austin Transportation Department and Development Services Department recommended the approval of the proposed driveway as shown on the site plan. In addition, Travis County ESD No. 2, the current fire protection service provider, is also supportive of driveway access to the site from both Heatherwilde Blvd. and Howard Lane.

Staff recommends approval of this amendment to the Consent Agreement.

The MUD Board approved this amendment on September 27, 2016.