

**ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET**CASE: C14-2021-0044, 7113 Burnet RoadDISTRICT: 7ZONING FROM: CS-1-CO-NP, CS-CO-NP, LO-CO-NP TO: MF-6-CO-NPADDRESS: 7113, 7115 Burnet RoadSITE AREA: 4.3881 acres (191,145.64 sq. ft.)PROPERTY OWNER:

CSW Cart, Inc., (Robert O'Farrell)

AGENT:Armbrust & Brown, PLLC  
(Michael Gaudini)CASE MANAGER: Mark Graham (512-974-3574, [mark.graham@austintexas.gov](mailto:mark.graham@austintexas.gov))STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

**The Staff offers an alternative recommendation to grant multifamily residence (Moderate-High Density)-neighborhood plan (MF-4-NP) combining district zoning.**

*For a summary of the basis of staff's recommendation, see case manager comments on page 2.*

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION / RECOMMENDATION:

**June 8, 2021: APPROVED MF-6-CO-NP DISTRICT ZONING WITH THE -CO AS FOLLOWS: 1) THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT IS 75 FEET; 2) HEIGHT IS LIMITED TO 40 FEET WITHIN 200 FEET OF SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LINE, AND 3) A 30 FOOT WIDE BUILDING SETBACK IS REQUIRED ALONG A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LINE.**

**[CHAIR SHAW, G. COX – 2<sup>ND</sup>] (8-0) COMMISSIONERS S. PRAXIS, C. LLANES PULIDO & J. THOMPSON – ABSTAINED; COMMISSIONER Y. FLORES & J. SHIEH- ABSENT.**

**May 25, 2021: APPROVED CLOSING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND CONTINUING TO JUNE 8, 2021**

**[J. SHIEH, G. COX - 2<sup>ND</sup>] (10-0) COMMISSIONERS Y. FLORES & C. LLANES PULIDO – ABSENT FLORES & J. SHIEH – ABSENT.**

**May 11, 2021: APPROVED A POSTPONEMENT REQUEST BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO MAY 25, 2021, BY CONSENT**

**[G. COX, A. AZHAR 2<sup>ND</sup>] (12-0) CHAIR T. SHAW - ABSENT**

CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

**July 29, 2021:**

**July 10, 2021: *APPROVED POSTPONEMENT REQUEST BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO  
JULY 29, 2021.***  
***VOTE: 11-0***

ORDINANCE NUMBER:ISSUES:

The Planning Commission recommended to grant multifamily residence- highest density-conditional overlay - neighborhood plan (MF-6-CO-NP) combining district zoning, with conditions: 1) with a 75 foot overall height limit, 2) with a 40 foot height limit from single family zoning to 200' from the property line, 3) with a 30 foot setback for multifamily building from the property line of the single family dwellings.

There are three related land use cases: The Neighborhood Plan Amendment, case NPA-2021-0017.01 to change the FLUM from Commercial to Multi-family residential land use; case C14-72-032(RCT), the request to terminate the Restrictive Covenant that established a 20 foot building setback on the LO-CO-NP zoned tract; and this request for MF-6-CO-NP zoning, case C14-2021-0044.

CASE MANAGER COMMENTS:

Applicant seeks zoning to build 330 residential units on the 4.3881 acre (191,145 sq. ft.) parcel of land at 7113 and 7115 Burnet Road. The requested zoning is multi-family residence - highest density-conditional overlay-neighborhood plan (MF-6-CO-NP) combining district zoning.

Current Conditions

The site is a commercial development with a parking lot fronting Burnet Road. Multiple buildings are set back more than 150 feet from the road. The largest tenant space is the bar closest to Burnet Road. The adjacent buildings are occupied by small businesses providing, for instance: driving instruction and martial arts coaching; coffee and kolaches; hair-cuts and massages. The site is auto oriented.

With the exception of the bar, the businesses face north and are not visible from the street. There is a large multi-tenant sign only about half filled with business names and there appear to be several vacant tenant spaces. There is a free-standing building in the office zoned (east) part of the site. There are vehicles stored on that portion of the site as they are on the adjacent commercially zoned lot to the south. Landscape buffers to residences have not been maintained.

Vehicle Access and Circulation (ATD Comments)

Safe access to and from Burnet Road is provided through a Reciprocal Access Easement Agreement with the adjacent property to the north. The agreement gives the subject property access to the signalized intersection at Burnet Road and Greenlawn Parkway. Austin Transportation Department (ATD) staff reviewed the recorded Access Easement Agreement and commented:

*“A reciprocal access easement has been created and recorded by the owner with the tract to the north of this site. This will allow for safe ingress and egress from this property at the Greenlawn Parkway, which has a traffic signal. Additional mitigations may be required at the time of site plan, when the land uses and intensities have been finalized.”*

Building height, setbacks, buffers

Maximum building height with the requested multifamily residence-highest density neighborhood plan (MF-6-NP) zoning is 90 feet. The existing general commercial services conditional overlay-neighborhood plan (CS-CO-NP) zoning allows 60 feet, yet most of the buildings are only one or two stories (less than 30 feet). Building height is limited at the east end of the property by Land Development Code Compatibility Standards, which will be addressed during site plan review. Those standards reduce permitted building height and increase setbacks near family residence zone districts.

Staff is supporting multifamily residence - moderate-high density-neighborhood plan (MF-4-NP) zoning which permits up to 60 feet in height like the current zoning, though it would be lower near the family residences due to Compatibility Standards and also require increased setbacks, buffering and screening.

Future Land Use Map (FLUM)

The site is within the Crestview/Wooten Combined Neighborhood Plan boundaries. City Council approved the existing Future Land Use Map (FLUM) for the Crestview / Wooten Neighborhood in April 2004 and Council approval is required to change the FLUM.

The Future Land Use Map currently shows the subject property as commercial and an amendment changing the designation to mixed use is required for the proposed residential rezoning and development. An amendment to the Future Land Use Map was requested and a neighborhood meeting was held March 18, 2021 to present the request to Crestview residents (NPA-2021-0017.01).

Crestview/Wooten Neighborhood Plan: Prohibited and Conditional Uses

A City-initiated rezoning that was approved on April 1, 2004 (Ordinance No. 040401-32B) added the neighborhood plan combining district (NP) and conditional overlays (CO) on many of the lots in the 650.5 acre Crestview Neighborhood Plan area. The subject lots are listed in the Ordinance as Tracts 134, 135 and 136. Tract 134 is the CS portion; Tract 135 is the 8,800 square foot CS-1 “footprint” zoned portion; Tract 136 is the LO zoned portion. Part 7. (2) of the Ordinance includes the following list of conditional overlay uses prohibited in Tract 134 and 135, the portion of the property zoned CS-1 and CS.

<i>Adult oriented businesses</i> <i>Agricultural sales and services</i> <i>Automotive rentals</i> <i>Automotive sales</i> <i>Bail bond services</i> <i>Campground</i> <i>Commercial blood plasma center</i> <i>Construction sales and services</i> <i>Convenience storage</i>	<i>Equipment repair services</i> <i>Equipment sales</i> <i>Kennels</i> <i>Limited warehousing and distribution</i> <i>Maintenance and service facilities</i> <i>Monument retail sales</i> <i>Outdoor entertainment</i> <i>Pawn shop services</i> <i>Vehicle storage</i>
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### Compatibility

Another condition imposed by the same Ordinance Part 7. (27) applies to six tracts in the neighborhood plan, including 135 and 136:

*A 50-foot wide vegetative buffer shall be provided and maintained along and adjacent to a property line that adjoins an urban family residence (SF-5) or more restrictive district. Improvements permitted within the buffer zone are limited to drainage, underground utility improvements or those improvements that may be otherwise required by the City of Austin or specifically authorized in this ordinance.*

### Restrictive Covenant

C14-72-032(RCT) was filed concurrently with this case to terminate a 1972 Restrictive Covenant on the east end of the subject property in the portion zoned (LO-CO-NP).

*1. No building or any part thereof shall be located within twenty (20) feet of the north property line of said property.*

Both the “vegetative buffer” imposed by the Neighborhood Plan zoning and the restrictive covenant above were intended to reduce the impacts of the LO-CO-NP zoned tract on the adjoining residences. In the current Land Development Code, Compatibility Standards (in this case, for large sites 25-2-1063) are intended to accomplish the same thing and achieve specific results, for example: screening surface parking, mechanical equipment and dumpsters. The standards also address building height, setback and bulk. Briefly summarized, if the building setback from the residences in SF-3-NP (north and east sides of LO-CO-NP zoned tract) is less than 50 feet, the building is limited to two stories and 30 feet. If the building setback is more than 50 feet, it can be three stories and 40 feet tall. If setback even further, it can be taller. There are more required design standards and screening requirements (Article 10 of Chapter 25-2) to improve the buffer and thereby compatibility of multifamily buildings to less intense residential uses.

The commercial property south of the subject property at Burnet Road is used for vehicle storage and has a vacant freestanding building. Compatibility Standards are **not** required between the subject lot and the **commercially** zoned lots. The commercial property north of the subject property is anchored by a Tuesday Morning retail store and has inline tenants including restaurants, a bakery, hair and foot care, and a pad site with restaurant.

### Core Transit Corridor

Burnet Road was identified in 2005 as a Core Transit Corridor and continues to enjoy MetroRapid bus service at frequent intervals. Along Core Transit Corridors like Burnet and in Activity Centers are where the Imagine Austin Plan envisions Austin's growth occurring. Building multi-family residences near transit service supports transit and allows more people to access that location and public transportation services.

### **BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

The Staff recommendation is to grant multifamily residence, moderate high density - neighborhood plan (MF-4-NP) district zoning.

1. *The proposed zoning should be consistent with the purpose statement of the district sought.*  
The applicant requested MF-6-NP – **Multifamily Residence (Highest Density) district** based in part on the absence of a land area requirement for units that would enable building 330 residential units on the property.

The recommendation from Inclusive Planning staff is to amend the Future Land Use Map from commercial to multifamily residential. The recommendation from Zoning staff is to permit multifamily residential uses, with MF-4 standards.

MF-4-NP – **Multifamily Residence (Moderate-High Density) district** is intended to accommodate multifamily and group residential use with a maximum density of 36 to 54 units per acre, depending on unit size. This district is appropriate for moderate-high density housing in centrally located areas near supporting transportation and commercial facilities, in areas adjoining downtown Austin and major institutional or employment centers, and in other selected areas where moderate-high density multifamily use is desirable. The neighborhood plan (NP) district denotes a tract located within the boundaries of an adopted Neighborhood Plan.

The applicant proposes to build 330 multifamily residences on the property. The property is centrally located on a MetroRapid transit corridor with supporting commercial facilities including groceries, personal services and entertainment. The 803 Rapid Bus stop is approximately 725 feet south and the number 3 local bus transit stop is less than 300 feet north of the site. There is good transit access to UT and the downtown employment center.

2. *The proposed zoning should satisfy a real public need and not provide special privilege to the owner.*

The demand for housing in Austin is high. Job and population growth coupled with low interest rates are credited with creating the demand. "The Texas Workforce Commission reported that the Austin region added 29,000 new jobs in the 12 months that ended in November" (2019). (reported in the Austin Statesman, Jan. 14, 2020). Housing continues to be an important community need.

3. *Zoning changes should promote compatibility with adjacent and nearby uses.*

With the Compatibility Standards required for multifamily residential zoning by the Land Development Code, the MF-4-NP zoning will be compatible with adjacent and nearby uses. Setbacks are increased near the Single-Family zones and building heights are reduced. Screening is required for parking lots, mechanical equipment, and dumpsters. New development will be

required to provide fencing and vegetative buffering as well as screening of parking, mechanical equipment and trash dumpsters. The specific measures to meet the Compatibility Standards are reviewed as part of the site plan review process.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	Zoning	Land Uses
Site	CS-1-CO-NP, CS-CO-NP, LO-CO-NP	Bar/restaurant (Local Post Pub), offices, personal care, food sales, auto storage
North	CS-CO-NP	Retail (Tuesday Morning), restaurant, food sales
South	GR-V-CO-NP, MF-3-NP	Vacant restaurant, auto sales/storage, Multifamily residences (townhomes & stacked flats)
East	SF-3	Detached residences
West	CS, SF-2	Auto sales/service,

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA: Crestview/ Wooten Combined Neighborhood Plan, Ordinance 040401-Z-2.

TIA: Deferred to site plan.

WATERSHED: Shoal Creek -      Urban 70% Impervious coverage maximum in MF-4  
80% Impervious coverage maximum in MF-6

OVERLAYS:

- ADU
- Approximate Area Reduced Parking
- Residential Design Standards: LDC/25-2-Subchapter F

SCHOOLS:

Brentwood Elementary      Lamar Middle      McCallum High

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS

Allandale Neighborhood Association  
Austin Independent School District  
Austin Lost and Found Pets  
Austin Neighborhoods Council  
Bike Austin  
Crestview Neighborhood Assn.  
Crestview Neighborhood Plan Contact Team  
Friends of Austin Neighborhoods

Homeless Neighborhood Association  
NW Austin Neighbors  
Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation  
North Austin Neighborhood Alliance  
SELTexas  
Shoal Creek Conservancy  
Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group

AREA CASE HISTORIES:

Number	Request	Commission	City Council
C14-04-0004 The area bounded by Anderson Lane on the north, Lamar Blvd. on the east, Burnet Road on the west, Justin Lane on the south.	Add a NP to the base zoning districts on approximately 650.5 acres of land generally known as the Crestview Neighborhood Plan and to change the base zoning district on 43 tracts of land.	To Grant	Apvd. 04/01/2004 Ord.#040401-328
C14-2009-0065 The area bounded by Anderson Lane/US Highway 183 on the north, Justin Lane on the south, North Lamar Boulevard on the east and Burnet Road on the west.	Crestview Vertical Mixed Use Bldg (V) Zoning/ Opt-in / Optout process. 62.70 Acres. (City Initiated) for 29.70 acres. Part 4. Excludes Tract 8 that includes 7113 Burnet Rd.	To Grant	Apvd. 9/24/2009 Ord.#20090924-091

RELATED CASES:

C14-2020-0016 – Essentially the same request with different applicant. Request for MF-6-NP. Case withdrawn by property owner after approvals at Planning Commission and First Reading of City Council.

NPA-2020-0017-01 – Request for Neighborhood Plan Amendment from commercial land use to multifamily residential land use. Neighborhood meeting held March 18, 2020.

C14-72-032 (RCT) – This case is refiled under the same case number. The Planning Commission approved termination of the Restrictive Covenant on July 14, 2020. The request was withdrawn before City Council action. The request is to terminate the restrictive covenant (RC) that requires a 20 foot setback to the north property line in the portion of the property zoned LO-CO-NP. Staff recommendation is to grant restrictive covenant termination. The RC is no longer necessary because the Land Development Code has Compatibility Standards that better accomplish the goal of buffering residences.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lot 1, Ronan Subdivision

OTHER STAFF COMMENTS:Environmental

1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is located in the Shoal Creek Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as an Urban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code. It is in the Desired Development Zone.
2. Zoning district impervious cover limits apply in the Urban Watershed classification.

3. According to floodplain maps there is no floodplain within or adjacent to the project location.
4. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.
5. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.
6. This site is required to provide on-site water quality controls (or payment in lieu of) for all development and/or redevelopment when 8,000 s.f. cumulative is exceeded, and on site control for the two-year storm.

#### Site Plan

SP1. Any development which occurs in an SF-6 or less restrictive zoning district which is located <540 feet from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district will be subject to residential compatibility development regulations.

SP2. The site is subject to residential compatibility standards along the northerly and easterly property lines:

- No structure may be built within 25 feet of the property line.
- No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet of the property line.
- No structure in excess of three stories or 40 feet in height may be constructed within 100 feet of the property line.
- No parking or driveways are allowed within 25 feet of the property line.
- A landscape area at least 25 feet wide is required along the north/eastern property line adjacent to Hardy Circle and Hardy Drive SF properties. In addition, a fence, berm, or dense vegetation must be provided to screen adjoining properties from views of parking, mechanical equipment, storage, and refuse collection.

INFO: Any new development is subject to Subchapter E. Design Standards and Mixed Use. Additional comments will be made when a site plan is submitted.

INFO: Site plans are required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.

#### Parks and Recreation Department

PR1: Parkland dedication will be required for the new residential units proposed by this development, multifamily with MF-6-CO-NP zoning, at the time of subdivision or site plan, per City Code § 25-1-601. Whether the requirement shall be met with fees in-lieu or dedicated land will be determined using the criteria in City Code Title 25, Article 14, as amended. Should fees in-lieu be required, those fees shall be used toward park investments in the form of land acquisition and/or park amenities within the surrounding area, per the Parkland Dedication Operating Procedures § 14.3.11 and City Code § 25-1-607 (B)(1) & (2).



### Austin Water Utility

AW1. The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing any water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extensions, utility relocations and or abandonments required by the land use. The water and wastewater utility plan must be reviewed and approved by Austin Water for compliance with City criteria and suitability for operation and maintenance.

Based on current public infrastructure configurations, it appears that service extension requests (SER) will be required to provide service to this lot. For more information pertaining to the Service Extension Request process and submittal requirements contact Alberto Ramirez with Austin Water, Utility Development Services at 625 E. 10th St., 7<sup>th</sup> floor. Ph: 512-972-0211.

The landowner must pay the City inspection fee with the utility construction. The landowner must pay the tap and impact fee once the landowner makes an application for a City of Austin water and wastewater utility tap permit.

### ATD Engineering

The Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP), adopted 04/11/2019, identifies sufficient right-of-way for Burnet Road. A traffic impact analysis is waived, the determination is deferred to site plan application, when land use and intensity will be finalized.

A reciprocal access easement has been created and recorded by the owner with the tract to the north of this site. This will allow for safe ingress and egress from this property at the Greenlawn Parkway, which has a traffic signal. Additional mitigations may be required at the time of site plan, when the land uses, and intensities have been finalized.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Existing ROW</b>	<b>ASMP Required ROW</b>	<b>Pavement</b>	<b>ASMP Classification</b>	<b>Sidewalks</b>	<b>Bicycle Route</b>	<b>Capital Metro (within ¼ mile)</b>
Burnet Rd	121'	120'	56'	3	Yes	Yes	Yes

### INDEX OF EXHIBITS TO FOLLOW

Exhibit A: Zoning Map

Exhibit B: Aerial Map

Exhibit C: Educational Impact Statement (EIS)

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**Commissioner Mushtaler:**

- *We have two MF-6 zoning requests - one on Burnett and one on South Lamar. I am curious to know the densest and closest zoning to each of these. Both requests are very near or on top of SF1 so I am looking to see if there is a transition step-down type buffer that makes sense.*

**Case C14-2021-0044 – 7113, 7115 Burnet Rd**

The rezoning tract adjoins a family residence zone on the north and east ends. The Zoning Map (in the staff report) shows a dashed line between the CS-CO-NP zoning for the west part and the LO-CO-NP zoning. The land north and east of the LO-CO-NP is zoned SF-3-NP. If the rezoning is granted, any new multifamily building must be designed to meet Compatibility Standards. Compatibility standards require a 25' setback for buildings and the height of the building is limited to 30' and two stories at that edge of the rezoning tract. The Compatibility Standards provide the transition between the family residence zone and the multifamily zone.

The densest zoning near 7113 Burnet is the adjoining land to the south, that has GR-V-CO-NP zoning. The based zone (GR) provides the height limit (60') the (V) provides vertical mixed use building that includes allows for residential use with an affordability component to occur. If a vertical mixed use residential building were built on the property it would have to have a mix of uses, with commercial at street level and with residential above would not be subject to area requirements for units. That would effectively have no density limits but it would be subject to height limits. There are setback waivers and parking reductions available for developments with that zoning.

**Commissioner Shaw:**

- Does staff have concerns if the zoning was changed to GO?

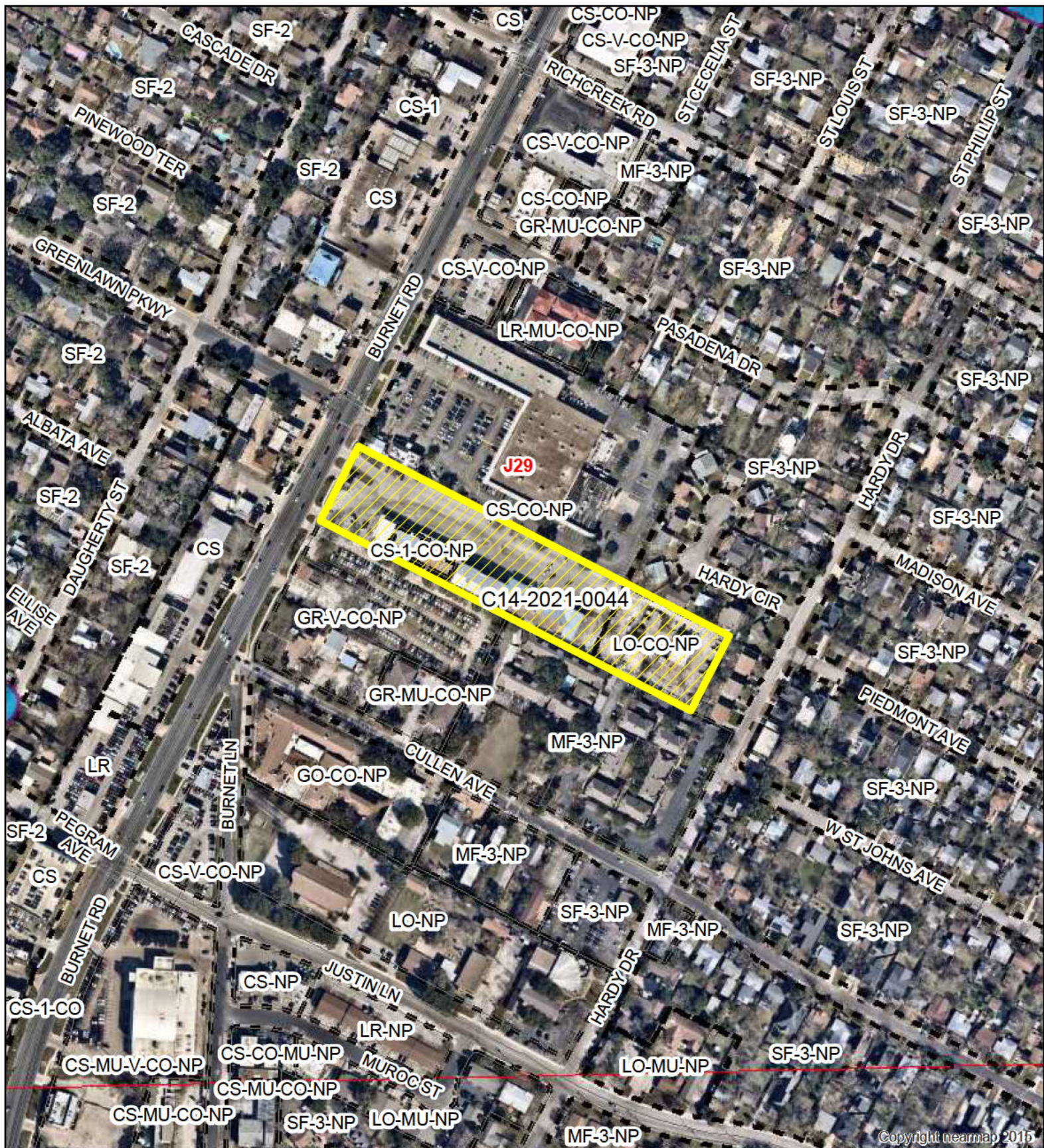
**B-19 C14-2021-0010 – Project Mirabeau - 1901 North Lamar Boulevard**

Staff discussed GO-NP zoning with the applicant because the two adjacent parcels are zoned GO-NP (north) and GO-MU-CO-NP (east). It would double the FAR without adding a long list of prohibited uses. The applicant considered it and decided that they preferred to seek the FAR of 2:1 available in the CS zone.



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## 7113 Burnet Road Zoning

## Exhibit B



1" = 300'



SUBJECT TRACT



ZONING BOUNDARY



PENDING CASE



CREEK BUFFER

ZONING CASE#: C14-2021-0044  
LOCATION: 7113 & 7115 Burnet Rd  
SUBJECT AREA: 4.39 Acres  
GRID: J29  
MANAGER: MARK GRAHAM



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# EDUCATIONAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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PROJECT NAME: 7113 Burnet Road

ADDRESS/LOCATION: 7113, 7115 Burnet Road

CASE #: C14-2021-0044

☐ NEW SINGLE FAMILY

☐ DEMOLITION OF MULTIFAMILY

☒ NEW MULTIFAMILY

☐ TAX CREDIT

# SF UNITS: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENTS PER UNIT ASSUMPTION  
Elementary School: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle School: \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_

# MF UNITS: 330 STUDENTS PER UNIT ASSUMPTION  
Elementary School: 0.01 Middle School: 0.005 High School: .009

## IMPACT ON SCHOOLS

The student yield factor of 0.024 (across all grade levels) for apartment homes was used to determine the number of projected students. This factor was provided by the district's demographer and is based on other market rate multifamily complexes built within the area.

The 330-unit multifamily development is projected to add approximately 8 students across all grade levels to the projected student population. It is estimated that of the 8 students, 3 will be assigned to Brentwood Elementary School, 2 to Lamar Middle School, and 3 to McCallum High School.

The percent of permanent capacity by enrollment for School Year 2025-26, including the additional students projected with this development, would be within the optimal utilization target range of 85-110% at Brentwood ES (110%), and above the optimal utilization at Lamar MS (127%), and McCallum HS (131%). Please note, the Brentwood campus is currently under construction and a modernized school at a larger capacity is scheduled to open in SY 2022-23, which will bring the 5-year projected enrollment well within the optimal utilization. Lamar and McCallum will continue to utilize portables to accommodate their enrollment, and the district will need to consider strategies to address overcrowding for the long-term.

## TRANSPORTATION IMPACT

Students within the proposed development attending McCallum HS will qualify for transportation. Students attending Brentwood ES or Lamar MS will not qualify for transportation unless a hazardous route condition is identified.

## SAFETY IMPACT

There are not any identified safety impacts at this time.

Date Prepared: 4.16.2021

Executive Director:

DocuSigned by:  
*Beth Wilson*  
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## DATA ANALYSIS WORKSHEET

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Brentwood

ADDRESS: 512 E. Huntland Drive

PERMANENT CAPACITY: 585\*

MOBILITY RATE: -1.3%

#### POPULATION (without mobility rate)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS	2020-21 Population	5- Year Projected Population (without proposed development)	5-Year Projected Population (with proposed development)
Number	549	656	659
% of Permanent Capacity	94%	112%	113%

#### ENROLLMENT (with mobility rate)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS	2020-21 Enrollment	5- Year Projected Enrollment (without proposed development)	5-Year Projected Enrollment (with proposed development)
Number	542	639	642
% of Permanent Capacity	93%	109%	110%

\*The Brentwood campus is currently under construction and a modernized school at a larger capacity is scheduled to open in SY 2022-23.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL: Lamar

ADDRESS: 6201 Wynona St.

PERMANENT CAPACITY: 1,008

MOBILITY RATE: +14.4%

#### POPULATION (without mobility rate)

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS	2020-21 Population	5- Year Projected Population (without proposed development)	5-Year Projected Population (with proposed development)
Number	1,075	1,185	1,187
% of Permanent Capacity	107%	118%	118%

#### ENROLLMENT (with mobility rate)

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS	2020-21 Enrollment	5- Year Projected Enrollment (without proposed development)	5-Year Projected Enrollment (with proposed development)
Number	1,230	1,281	1,283
% of Permanent Capacity	122%	127%	127%

# EDUCATIONAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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**HIGH SCHOOL:** McCallum

**ADDRESS:** 5600 Sunshine Drive

**PERMANENT CAPACITY:** 1,596

**MOBILITY RATE:** +4.8%

## POPULATION (without mobility rate)

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	2020-21 Population	5- Year Projected Population (without proposed development)	5-Year Projected Population (with proposed development)
Number	1,752	2,008	2011
% of Permanent Capacity	110%	126%	126%

## ENROLLMENT (with mobility rate)

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	2020-21 Enrollment	5- Year Projected Enrollment (without proposed development)	5-Year Projected Enrollment (with proposed development)
Number	1,836	2,081	2,084
% of Permanent Capacity	115%	130%	131%



**Allandale Neighborhood Association • P.O. Box 10886 • Austin, Texas 78766**

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May 20, 2021

Reference:

Austin Planning Commission Meeting of May 25, 2021

C14-2021-0044 - 7113 Burnet Rd; District 7

PROJECT NAME: 7113 Burnet

Chairman and Planning Commission Members,

The Allandale Neighborhood Zoning and Land Use Committee is writing regarding the rezoning of 7113 Burnet Rd..

We support a transition from commercial to multi-family zoning on this property, but we do not support the requested MF-6 zoning because of the additional height. Instead, we concur with the city staff recommendation to grant multifamily residence, moderate high density -neighborhood plan (MF-4-NP) district zoning. The MF-4 unit density is such that 200 or so units can be constructed and have space for such on-site amenities as shared-work spaces, exercise and health facilities, and secure parking. There would be space for a grass lined detention of storm water, that would also serve as a dog park.

A 90-foot height limit far exceeds any other nearby development and is not in keeping with the neighborhood. We can accept the customary 60 to 65ft height of similar properties.

This change will allow for moderate-high density housing near supporting transit and commercial facilities, while supporting and respecting the adjacent neighborhoods. The MF-4-NP zoning is more compatible with our neighborhoods and nearby businesses, because it provides increased setbacks near the Single-Family zones and reduced building heights.

Traffic Impact Studies have been delayed so Allandale's concerns about traffic and ingress/egress to Burnet Road are not yet addressed. Shared transit of apartment residents through the 7115 parking lot to the Greenlawn traffic signal is unproven and acceptance by drivers as a primary route is not assured.

For these and other reasons, we urge you to vote against the proposal to grant MF-6-NP zoning and vote to allow MF-4-Multifamily Residence zoning on this project.

Allandale Neighborhood Association Zoning and Land Use Committee



**From:** [Tanner Blair](#)  
**To:** [Meredith, Maureen](#)  
**Cc:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Mar 18 Cmty Mtg: NPA-2021-0017.01\_7113/7115 Burnet Rd  
**Date:** Sunday, May 23, 2021 5:16:05 PM

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Hello Maureen and Mark,

I hope this finds you well. I see this is up for consideration at PC this Tuesday, and I wanted to once again voice my support for this project. This is a great opportunity to add 330 units, especially considering that 33 of those will be income-restricted to MFI of 60%. This is a high-opportunity area with great access to transit, jobs, and good schools – where better to add new homes?

I'm looking forward to seeing this project come to fruition and am excited to welcome more neighbors!

Regards,  
Tanner Blair

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**From:** Meredith, Maureen <Maureen.Meredith@austintexas.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 5:14 PM  
**Cc:** Michael Gaudini <[REDACTED]> Michael Whellan <[REDACTED]>  
Graham, Mark <Mark.Graham@austintexas.gov>  
**Subject:** Mar 18 Cmty Mtg: NPA-2021-0017.01\_7113/7115 Burnet Rd

Dear Crestview NPCT and Interested Parties:

Attached is the virtual community meeting notice for a plan amendment application filed at 7113 & 7115 Burnet Road. You received this email because you contacted me about the previous plan amendment application filed on this property in 2020 which was withdrawn.

If you live within 500 feet of the property, you will get this virtual community meeting notice in the mail.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

*Maureen*

Maureen Meredith, Senior Planner  
City of Austin, Housing & Planning Dept.  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1088  
Austin, Texas 78767

**From:** [Andrew Lambdin-Abraham](#)  
**To:** [Meredith, Maureen](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Cc:** [District 7](#)  
**Subject:** In favor of 7113 Burnet rezoning  
**Date:** Sunday, May 23, 2021 7:04:10 PM

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Hi Maureen & Mark,

I have been an Austin resident my entire life, and used to visit the Dallas Nightclub when I was a student at UT. I also am a regular visitor to the North Burnet neighborhood and fan of the local businesses. Given the massive demand for housing in Austin and the ideal location of so many local establishments and transit access, this site is a perfect location for housing and especially affordable housing. Being able to get 33 income restricted units would be extremely significant for this neighborhood, which is very exclusive and difficult to access for income restricted people. I have a friend who is currently living in Brentwood and being priced out, and offering affordable housing in the area is something that smaller, lesser proposals or neighborhood claims about compatibility do not provide. The Burnet area is an ideal place for Austin to meet it's housing needs.

Andrew Lambdin-Abraham  
14105 Naruna Way  
District 7

Sent from my iPhone


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**From:** [Meredith, Maureen](#)  
**To:** [Rivera, Andrew](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Isabel Aldrich](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** May 25 PC Late Back Up - 7113 Burnet Rd Project  
**Date:** Monday, May 24, 2021 9:50:00 AM

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Andrew:  
Please upload this email as late back up for the May 25 PC hearing.  
Maureen

-----Original Message-----

From: Alma Isabel Aldrich [[mailto:](#)   
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 7:57 AM  
To: Meredith, Maureen <Maureen.Meredith@austintexas.gov>; Graham, Mark <Mark.Graham@austintexas.gov>  
Subject: 7113 Burnet Rd Project

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Hi Maureen, Mark,

I hope this email finds you well. As a very close neighbor to the proposed new block of housing, I want to express my most enthusiastic and overwhelming support for the project.

I am so excited about the addition of more, desperately needed housing on Burnet, and in particular the availability of affordable housing units in my neighborhood. I hope this is the first of many projects like this.

Sincerely,

Alma Aldrich  
2205 Pasadena Dr  
Austin, TX 78757  
917.232.8906

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**From:** [Sara D Gore](#)  
**To:** [aureen.meredith@austintexas.gov](mailto:aureen.meredith@austintexas.gov); [Graham, Mark](#); [Rivera, Andrew](#)  
**Subject:** PC items 11, 12, and 13 for Tuesday meeting  
**Date:** Monday, May 24, 2021 1:57:06 PM

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Hello all,

I am a homeowner in Brentwood. I live a few blocks off of Burnet. I wanted to voice my support for the project to build housing over the lot at 7113 and 7115 Burnet Road. Our neighborhood definitely needs more affordable housing, and more residents who live in a spot with good public transit access like we enjoy here in this area. The additional residents can provide more customers to the area businesses (as opposed to using the spot to build another furniture store or restaurant), and this particular location displaces and harms no current residents.

Thank you,

Sara Gore

5400 Roosevelt Ave, Austin, TX 78756

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**From:** [Brad Russell](#)  
**To:** [Rivera, Andrew](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** C14-2021-0044; NPA-2021-0017.01 - Documents for review by Planning Commission  
**Date:** Thursday, May 20, 2021 1:28:28 PM  
**Attachments:** [Statement regarding 7113 Burnet Road Development.pdf](#)

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Please see the attached document for review by the Planning Commission regarding C14-2021-0044; NPA-2021-0017.01 at the hearing on 5/25/21. I have already sent an email out to each Planning Commissioner with this information as well.

Brad Russell  
2007 Hardy Cir, Austin, TX 78757  
713-248-5024

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Members of the Crestview Neighborhood Association Executive Council and the Planning Commission:

The majority of the owners on Hardy Circle and Hardy Drive most affected by the above-referenced zoning change proposals DO NOT consent to current discussions with the Applicant, and specifically the recent draft of the Restrictive Covenant (attached) for the following reasons:

The applicant is requesting a zoning change to MF-6-CO-NP that would allow a 360-unit apartment complex with a maximum height of 90 feet on Burnet Road. Most importantly, it would stand right in the heart of the Crestview and Allandale neighborhoods. There are many serious concerns that are unique to this particular development location that make it highly incompatible with the surrounding areas.

**INCOMPATIBILITY** - MF-6 multi-family high-density zoning is incompatible with the historical single-family home Crestview neighborhood. The proposed development would be the tallest building between Downtown and the Domain. This property currently abuts the Crestview single-family home neighborhood from all sides. The back lot, known as 7113 Burnet Road, abuts Hardy Circle (a 12-home cul-de-sac), single family homes on Hardy Drive, and the single family homes, apartments, and condos on Cullen Avenue.

The existing LO-CO-NP zoning was implemented to ensure that the back half of the lot remains zoned for “an office that serves the neighborhood or community needs and that is located in or adjacent to residential neighborhoods”, and that it is “designed to ensure that the use is compatible and complementary in scale and appearance with the residential environment.” Changing the zoning of the lot at 7113 Burnet Rd changes the intent of the Crestview-Wooten Neighborhood plan. The proposed zoning changes do not adhere to the neighborhood plan, and the neighborhood plan was created by its residents through authority given by the City of Austin to reflect the sentiments and necessities of the people that live in and own property in the neighborhood.

**HEIGHT** - A massive multi-story building overlooking the adjacent streets compromises the privacy of all of the families living nearby. This project would compromise the safety of the children playing in the streets and cul-de-sac. This project would compromise the privacy of families using their backyards at all times. For homes immediately adjacent to the property, this project compromises the privacy of families even being able to live inside their homes - for fear of the apartment units looking down from the multiple stories in through their windows.

**TRAFFIC** - The current proposal suggests that residents of the 360-unit complex would be able to ingress and egress Burnet Road via an easement with the adjacent property to use its traffic light. The amount of use with only one traffic light between a 360-unit apartment complex and a shopping center would overwhelm this concentrated area. There currently is not a traffic light at 7115 Burnet Road, so people would also be attempting to leave the lot from its driveway in addition to the adjacent traffic light. This will cause further disruption and traffic hazards. One can only expect it to simply be a matter of time before the property owner looks for other ways to create means of ingress and egress to solve this problem. Therefore, it is highly likely that the property owner will attempt to coerce property owners on Hardy Circle and/or Hardy Drive to sell their homes - only to demolish them and pave a new road to link to the apartment complex property. This would destroy the neighborhood feel and compatibility and bring a surge of new traffic throughout the neighborhood.

**PROXIMITY** - The current proposal would allow for building at an encroaching distance of 25 feet from the property lines of homeowners. The incredibly close proximity of a 360-unit apartment complex to single

family homes allows for serious concerns regarding loss of privacy, noise disruption, and safety. A much greater distance is both justifiable and necessary to protect the rights of home owners in such a vulnerable circumstance.

**PARKING** - Even if adequate parking is maintained by the project, there is potential for a parking crisis to overwhelm the nearby Crestview and Allandale neighborhoods. People would be forced to park on nearby Hardy Circle, Hardy Drive, Pasadena Drive, and Cullen Avenue in Crestview. People would also be forced to park in nearby Allandale streets - Greenlawn Parkway, Albata Avenue, Pinewood Terrace, and Daugherty Street. This increased parking congestion and foot traffic would cause obvious safety, compatibility, and comfortability concerns.

**NOISE POLLUTION** - The last concern involves noise. By changing the zoning of the lot at 7113 Burnet Road, there is a high probability that noise pollution will greatly increase and bleed into the adjacent streets. The sound of vehicles for residents of 360 units coming in and out at all hours of the day and night, residents hanging out on their balconies, residents walking their pets, and other various activities would cause disruption and discomfort to nearby property owners. This significant increase in noise pollution would dramatically affect "the character of the neighborhood" that our neighborhood plan and the city development code call for developers to respect.

**PRECEDENCE** - If this proposal is granted, developers will continue to build and expand their 90-foot commercial empires throughout the Crestview-Allandale neighborhoods, irreparably changing these historical neighborhoods forever. Although growth and change are exciting prospects, it is of most importance that city leaders and developers foster a mindset that respects the considerations and rights of current residents whose lives will be directly impacted by these changes.

#### Restrictive Covenant proposal language (in the Alternative)

In the event that the Planning Commission and City Council decide that they want to approve the Applicant's proposals, the residents of Hardy Circle and Hardy Drive present the following demands for the language of the Restrictive Covenant:

Beneficiaries of the Restrictive Covenant be ALL individually-named property owners within 200 feet of 7113 Burnet Road AND the Crestview Neighborhood Association.

All lighting be downward facing lighting only, and not be placed within 25 feet of the property boundaries.

No external swimming pools on the property.

No external parking on the property.

No lanes of travel within 50 feet of property boundary lines, except for any emergency fire lane required by the City. The emergency fire lane will be equipped with posted signage designed for "Emergency Use Only."

No balconies with a floor - aka Juliet Balconies only - until 100 feet from the boundary lines.

No commercial businesses along boundary lines.

Landscaped Buffer of trees along boundary lines must be installed - prior to Certificate of Occupancy with mature trees with at least 10 feet in height.



No structure above 30 feet (2 stories) may be built within 100 feet of boundary lines, with this height restriction extending out to 200 feet from boundary lines.



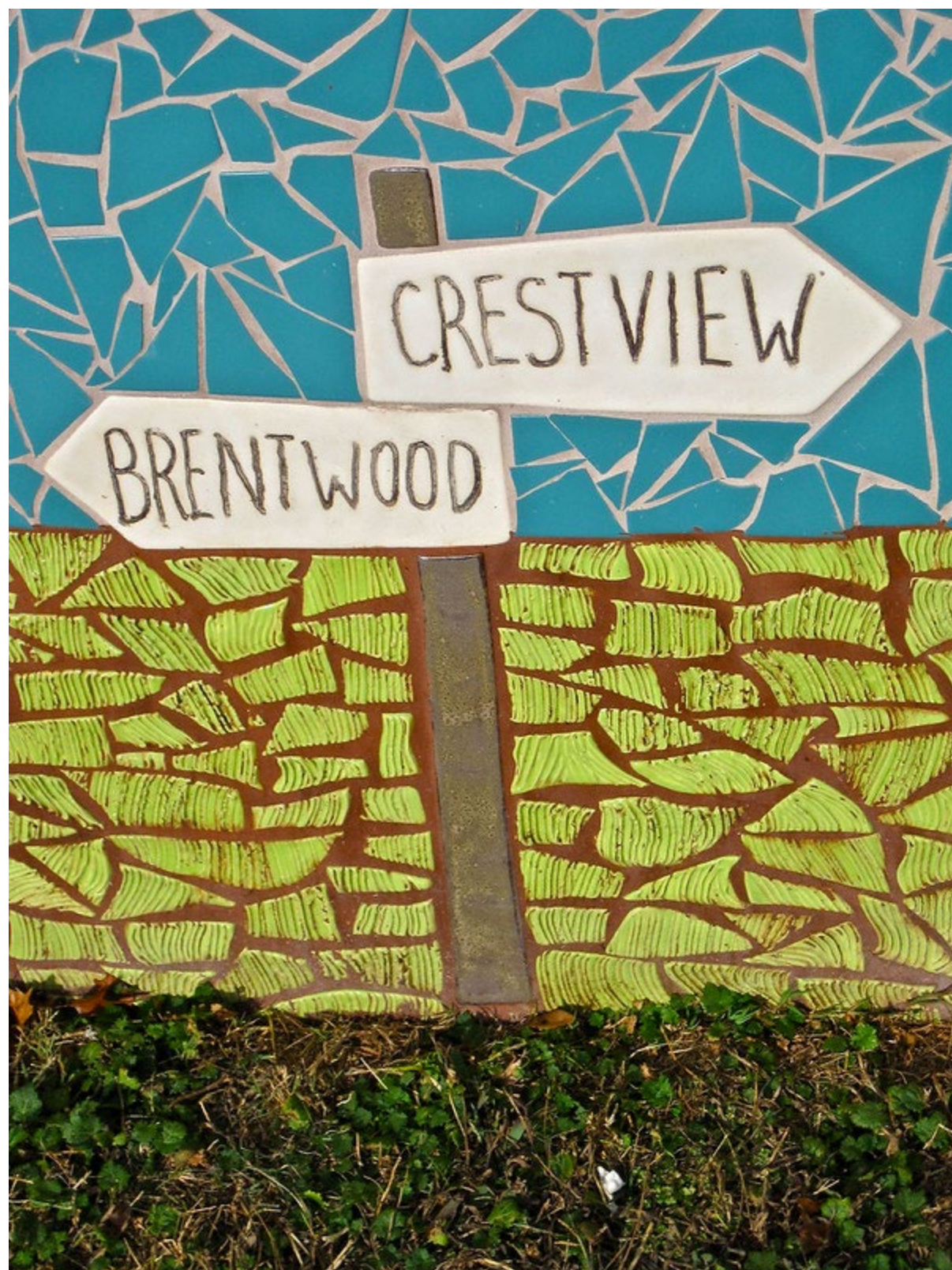












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**From:** [John Tate](#)  
**To:** [Hempel, Claire - BC](#); [Shaw, Todd - BC](#); [Schneider, Robert - BC](#); [Thompson, Jeffrey - BC](#); [Llanes, Carmen - BC](#); [Shieh, James - BC](#); [Mushtaler, Jennifer - BC](#); [Praxis, Solveij - BC](#); [Cox, Grayson - BC](#); [Connolly, Joao - BC](#); [Howard, Patrick - BC](#); [Azhar, Awais - BC](#); [Flores, Yvette - BC](#); [Teich, Ann - BC](#); [Leighton-Burwell, Don - BC](#)  
**Cc:** [Rivera, Andrew](#); [Graham, Mark](#); [Pool, Leslie](#); [District 7](#); [Brinsmade, Louisa](#)  
**Subject:** May 25, 2021 Planning Commission Hearing, Item 12 ( C14-2021-0044 - 7113 Burnet Road - District 7) - Opposing  
**Date:** Monday, May 24, 2021 10:06:58 PM

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Dear Members of the Planning Commission:

Please deny the zoning variance request for 7113 Burnet Road, Item 12 on your agenda (C14-2021-0044). This would rezone the property to permit building to a maximum height of 90 feet, rather than the current maximum height of 60 feet.

While I support mixed-use development along Burnet Road, 60 feet is enough. Allowing taller buildings would provide no benefit to the city or to the surrounding community. The two existing mixed-use buildings with retail establishments on the ground floor and apartments above, built within the current 60-foot limit, demonstrate that the current limit does not impair the economic viability of mixed-use developments in this area.

Please follow the professional recommendation of our city staff, and deny this zoning variance. Thanks for your kind attention.

Respectfully,

John Tate  
2502 Albata Avenue  
District 7

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**From:** [Carolyn Croom](#)  
**To:** [Hempel, Claire - BC](#); [Shaw, Todd - BC](#); [Schneider, Robert - BC](#); [Thompson, Jeffrey - BC](#); [Llanes, Carmen - BC](#); [Shieh, James - BC](#); [Mushtaler, Jennifer - BC](#); [Praxis, Solveji - BC](#); [Cox, Grayson - BC](#); [Connolly, Joao - BC](#); [Howard, Patrick - BC](#); [Azhar, Awais - BC](#); [Flores, Yvette - BC](#); [Teich, Ann - BC](#); [Leighton-Burwell, Don - BC](#)  
**Cc:** [Rivera, Andrew](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** 5-25-21 Planning Commission Hearing, Item 12 ( C14-2021-0044 - 7113 Burnet Rd; District 7)  
**Date:** Monday, May 24, 2021 9:09:15 PM

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Dear Members of the Planning Commission:

I oppose the Planning Commission approval of Item 12 (C14-2021-0044 - 7113 Burnet Rd.), which would rezone the property to a maximum height of 90'. I live very near at 2502 Albata Avenue in Allandale. The proposed huge 360-unit apartment complex would have a big impact on the nature of the existing neighborhoods and businesses nearby, significantly increasing traffic congestion, increasing noise pollution from cars and balconies, and decreasing the privacy of current residents in their homes and yards. There would also be much increased parking and foot traffic in the neighborhoods, reducing safety and making it difficult to use front yards for social gatherings. This property would be the tallest building between downtown and the Domain, dwarfing the area. If the height variance were granted, there would be a precedent to build similarly high buildings elsewhere on Burnet Road, further impacting the neighborhoods along it, as well as making it much more difficult for historical, small businesses to afford leases on Burnet Road. A neighborhood engineer calculated that 360 units could easily be built within the existing 60' height limit. Please follow the professional recommendation of our city staff, and deny this height variance, which would have a big negative impact on the character of the neighborhood and the quality of life of its residents. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Carolyn Croom

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**From:** [Michael Gaudini](#)  
**To:** [Meredith, Maureen](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 7113 Burnet Road  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 25, 2021 8:40:22 PM

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FYI – supportive email from Mike Lavigne (below)

Michael

**From:** Mike Lavigne <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 25, 2021 5:37 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** 7113 Burnet Road

Commissioners,

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Therefore, despite my role as President of the CNA and my belief that my opinion represents a super majority of our Executive Council, this letter comes to you from my role as a participant in negotiations with Michael Gaudini over the last two years as this project has evolved.

Although most of the neighborhood would prefer that no structure bordering single family homes be taller than 65 feet, I recognize that in an effort to push density to transit corridors, structures will be higher to accommodate more units and additional affordable units.

Mr. Gaudini has engaged in good faith and come to an agreement in principle with the neighbors closest to the property (Hardy Circle) on a restrictive covenant ensuring that this project will not be higher than 75 feet and guaranteeing certain compatibility protections above and beyond what would be required under the zoning they seek.

I believe the most important precedent here is that the developer has kept lines of communication open, appreciated the compatibility requests of the nearest neighbors and agreed that just because they could get entitlements to build higher, it just isn't suitable for this block.

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Thank you for your consideration,

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## Item 12: Traffic and 7113 Burnet

Traffic is a major concern with the 7113 Burnet property.

1] The lot has an awkward placement relative to a major traffic corner, and its' northbound left-turn lane. Greenlawn Pkwy. is one of the few links from Burnet Rd. to Shoal Creek Blvd and to Great Northern Blvd.



2] An agreement for shared access to the Greenlawn traffic signal via the parking lot of 7115 Burnet is in place, but may be useless. The route through the parking lot is restricted and crowded. It is clear that no study of pedestrian safety was done before this agreement was implemented. The lot-lot traffic exchange ramp is small, and wider or additional shared ramps would negatively impact commercial store stock loading uses at 7115.

3] To be effective, available access routes must be chosen and used by drivers. The route through 7115 parking lot could be attractive to drivers on the North side of the development, but not at all useful for those on the South side. So, it might be used by half the drivers.

4] Direct access with Burnet, in instead of through the adjacent parking lot, is required for large trucks:

- A] The Access Agreement prohibits construction vehicles.
- B] Trucks moving household belongings need level route, wide turns.
- C] Dumpsters
- D] Fire Trucks

5] Dual, shared and direct, vehicle access has major impact on building design and on-site traffic routes.

A] Direct access into the building from Burnet degrades the Shared Use route. The common architectural device of driving directly into the building for parking and loading should be avoided. Such a scheme, as is seen at 5350 Burnet and other locations, should be avoided here.

B] 'South Side' residents are likely to avoid the 'North Side' shared route. "Why 'drive around' when I can just scoot out? No one is coming!" The Burnet Rd Corridor Study counted 3 accidents there.

6] Safety get complicated when traffic gets into a neighborhood they don't want to be in. If southbound exit and entrance traffic to the project with Burnet is blocked by City of Austin Traffic Dept., drivers will use Greenlawn and Daugherty intersections for u-turns, and private driveways for pull-in/back-out turn around. Both mean new added danger. Which is easier, going all the way around to the shared route through the 7115 parking lot and waiting on a green light, or sneaking a turn round on Greenlawn?

If the drivers skip the turn-around, then they become extra traffic on residential streets. That's hundreds of cars per day on narrow streets with children, pets, and pedestrians.

## Item 12: 7113 Burnet Rezoning

1] The lot penetrates deep into a residential neighborhood. The lot is 990ft deep. That makes a long perimeter, and extensive space for disruptive impact.

2] The sketchy project presented at Public Hearing doesn't require extreme height. The agent kept mentioning 330 to 360 apartment units, ambiguous about parking. Two recent projects in Brentwood of comparable scope are at 48ft.

Easy study of this lot at 65ft height, with a 40ft wide perimeter road, and 190x150 ft grassy detention pond/dog park in back, showed 340 1-BR, plus 84 2-BR, plus 65 3-BR apartments [total just under 500 units], and parking for 395 vehicles as big a Ford pickup.

3] Staff recommendation fits neighborhood impact and other issues such as utilities. Allandale supports the staff recommendation as it keeps the height to what is common along Burnet for similar projects, and the code elements fit neighborhood requirements, without special features such as Conditional Overlays. Keep it simple.

4] Proposed height out of scope – you must to go north to The Domain to find similar height. The proposal is for dramatic disruptive intrusion into a settled neighborhood. Existing uses on the lot have parking and similar low impact items in proximity to residences, churches, and other neighborhood activity. An important aspect of good zoning and planning is proper interface between uses. This proposal violates that.





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**To:** [Meredith, Maureen](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
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**Subject:** Support for 7113 Burnet Road - Agenda Items 1, 2, and 3  
**Date:** Sunday, June 6, 2021 10:08:22 PM

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Members of Staff and the Planning Commission,

Good evening, and I hope this finds you well. I intend to testify in favor of these items during Tuesday's meeting, but I wanted to share the overwhelming support I've seen for this project before then. A few other neighbors and I asked those who support this project to [sign a petition](#) with the following language and as of this email there are **86** signatures:

*"We ask that you support rezoning 7113 Burnet Road to MF-6 to enable more housing in our community.*

*This site is on Burnet, which is an Imagine Austin Corridor, a Transit Priority Network Corridor, and is rated as Very Walkable and Very Bikeable by WalkScore.*

*This includes 33 units at 60% of the Median Family Income in Austin, providing an opportunity for mixed income families to live in a high-opportunity area. Austin has a goal of 110 annual affordable units along the Burnet Road corridor, and 25% of those are supposed to be in high-opportunity areas such as Crestview. So far, the average is 15/year along Burnet, and only 9% in high-opportunity areas. This one project would double that.*

*This project is a step toward meeting our housing, transit, and climate goals as a city, and we look forward to welcoming our new neighbors!"*

I intend to share some of these during my testimony Tuesday, but here are some of the highlights:

*"I live in Crestview, close to this lot. This will be a big improvement on the current site use and make my walks on Burnet much more pleasant."*

*"Austin has a housing crisis. Please approve this project because we need more housing!"*

*"Community is great, and more neighbors means more community."*

*"When I lived in Crestview, I used to think about how this site could be used for so much more... now I live just a bit north of here and hoping to someday be able to move a bit farther south again. we desperately need housing! Please approve this plan & zoning."*

*"I live off of Burnet and have biked by this vacant parking lot of empty commercial space often. This is a perfect location to both boost Austin's affordable housing objectives, and revitalize this part of Burnet with more residents to frequent the businesses in this area. This sounds like a win for housing, business and maintains the beauty of this area!"*

*"We need more housing in Austin to ensure that everyone can continue to live here & doesn't get pushed out in a big game of musical chairs."*

*"We need to legalize these kinds of developments throughout Austin, but especially along transit corridors. This one's a no-brainer."*

Thank you for your work, and I look forward to testifying in favor of the virtues and community support for the transit-supportive density that MF-6 would provide at this site.

Regards,

Tanner Blair

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**From:** [Dan Keshet](#)  
**To:** [Meredith, Maureen](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** In favor of 7113 Burnet Rd rezoning  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 26, 2021 2:28:04 PM

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Hi!

I am writing to support the rezoning of 7113 Burnet Rd. I have lived in Austin for almost 15 years without a car and this is one of the few places that works well for that. It's right on the 803 to campus / downtown, very close to Northcross Mall and a ton of great restaurants and shops. With the ASMP recognizing Austin's need for a shift from driving to bikes and buses, we can't afford to lose any opportunity to take the best advantage of the places we have like this one that allow people to live without cars.

Additionally, I'd like to address a point I've seen made in opposition to this rezoning: the false idea that our water pipes could just chug along forever as long as we don't add more water users. This is simply untrue. As was made dreadfully clear during the winter freeze, water pipes do not work forever. We have tons of pipes that stand ready to burst at the next big weather event. When West Campus was rezoned for denser development, the bonanza of new tax dollars those apartments created more than paid for the replacement of the pipes in that neighborhood.

Pipes need replacement over time whether there are more users or not. If there are new users, the costs can be paid for out of new taxes; if not, the replacements must be postponed or paid for by all other water users.

Thank you!

Dan Keshet  
908 Nueces St #22

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**From:** [Meredith, Maureen](#)  
**To:** [Jeff Crow](#)  
**Cc:** [Rivera, Andrew](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** RE: In support of 7113 Burnet Road re-zoning  
**Date:** Monday, June 7, 2021 12:55:16 PM

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Jeff:

Thank you for your comments. We will submit them as late back-up for the June 8 PC hearing and will add them to future staff reports.

Maureen

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**From:** Jeff Crow [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 04, 2021 2:34 PM  
**To:** Meredith, Maureen <Maureen.Meredith@austintexas.gov>  
**Subject:** In support of 7113 Burnet Road re-zoning

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Hello,

I would like to express my support for the rezoning of 7113 Burnet Road to allow for construction of dense housing. The case numbers related to the project to which I'm referring are NPA-2021-0017.01 (plan amendment); C14-2021-0044 (rezoning); and C14-72-032(RCT) (restrictive covenant termination).

I am a District 7 homeowner and I live just north of this project in the Wooten neighborhood. Like the rest of Austin, this area desperately needs more housing. This is an ideal location to increase density. Given that the lot in question is already entirely paved and devoid of green space or public amenities, a new housing development on this site could only be an improvement. Also, just my own opinion, but I do not believe the current retail structures are well utilized or very appealing given how they're orientated from Burnet Road where you cannot see the majority of businesses at the back of the lot.

Please approve rezoning and allow as much housing as possible to be built on this site.

Thank you,  
Jeff Crow  
1821 Ohlen Road

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**From:** [Meredith, Maureen](#)  
**To:** [Paul Smith](#)  
**Cc:** [Rivera, Andrew](#); [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Burnet Rd. Development  
**Date:** Monday, June 7, 2021 12:09:38 PM

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Paul:

Thank you for your comments. We will submit them as late back-up for tomorrow's hearing and add them to our staff reports for future public hearings.

Maureen

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**From:** Paul Smith [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 04, 2021 6:08 PM  
**To:** Meredith, Maureen <Maureen.Meredith@austintexas.gov>  
**Subject:** Burnet Rd. Development

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Dear Ms. Meredith:

I am writing in support of the rezoning of 7113 Burnet Rd. to allow more housing. I live just a few blocks from that site, and pass by it frequently on neighborhood walks.

The biggest crisis our planet is facing is climate change. Allowing for denser development within Austin's central city will allow more people to live where they can walk, bicycle, or take public transportation for errands and to get to work.

The alternative to allowing more development is to preserve central Austin as the domain of single-family houses. That drives up housing prices (for both rentals and sales), and forces many people to move outside the city to distant suburbs, where they end up driving more for errands and contributing more to greenhouse gas emissions and global warming.

Thank you,  
Paul Kevin Smith  
7801 Shoal Creek Blvd, Apt 228  
Austin, TX 78757  
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Commissioners,

In the public hearing I presented issues with traffic associated with the proposed project at 7113 Burnet.

In this piece I want to look closely at the utility of the shared access negotiated for using the parking lot of the shopping center just north. It is proposed, because direct Burnet Rd access is blocked by the left turn lane of the Greenlawn traffic signal. The parking lot has the traffic signal at Greenlawn and Burnet to access Burnet Rd travel.

Here is what the traffic layout looks like. You can see that the turn lane obstructs southbound access. This same issue was considered in the Burnet Road Corridor Study



The route would seem to solve an access issue the project otherwise encounters. Closer examination shows that it is inadequate.

The route was informal at the time, and was lightly used by the Dallas Nightclub; their traffic was at times when Burnet Rd traffic was minimal, and the left turn lane could be ignored.

The proposed project will generate trips and traffic is more conflicted times, so the turn lane obstruction is a real issue. The bar traffic was 2 trips per vehicle, enter and exit. Residences generate about 5 trips per day per vehicle. And, the vehicle count will be comparable. The population presented as residents will generate trips that are part of the morning and evening rush, and during mid-day as well.

Traffic will not be studied by City Staff until Site Plan Review. That review must consider how Burnet access is provided. The vehicle types, and placement of building portals are controlling issues.

Just from customary vehicle use, the shared route through the parking lot will be inadequate. As I said in my presentation, such a route is not in any traffic engineer's handbook.

Here are specific issues.

First notice the difference in elevation of the two parking lots.

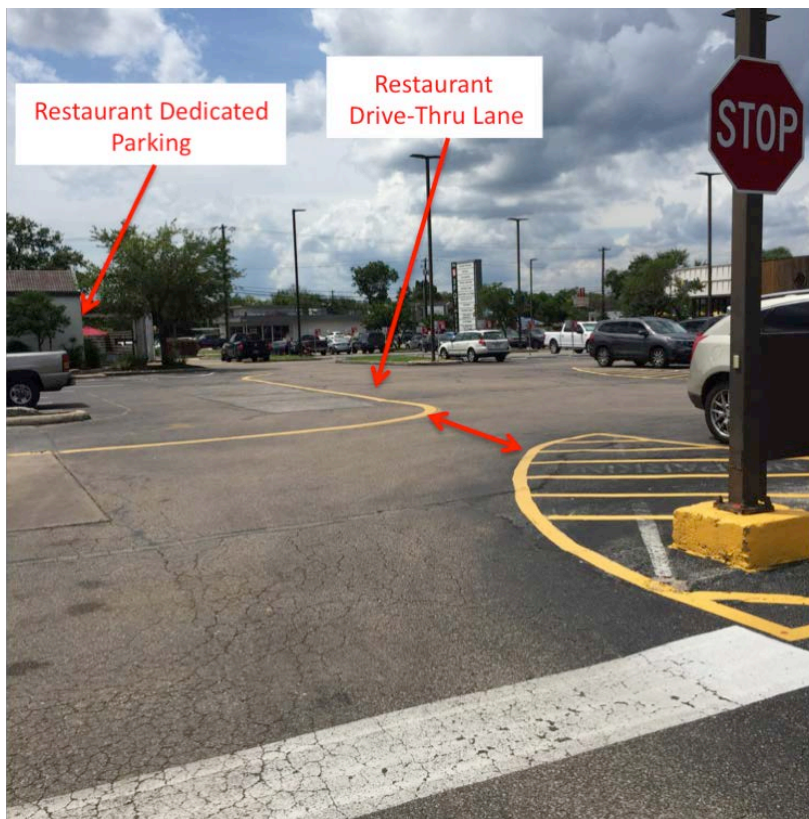


And, that the ramp slopes at about 12% to 16% grade to match the elevations. And, the ramp is constrained on the top side by buildings and customer parking. This forces ramp use to start and end with a turn. For trucks, this is an 'S' turn: cab turns in, cab goes to exit while truck tail is still hasn't entered, cab must start turn to avoid parking and building, truck tail enters ramp and immediately begins turn to exit.





As seen here, the route through the parking lot is narrow.



The route is only wide enough for a single car at a time. And, the restaurant traffic turn radius prevents widening the route.

The main route through the parking lot is not straight, there is a dog-leg.



Access into the parking lot from Burnet and Greenlawn is conflicted at the Signal.



Public routes depend and require signage and markings that meet traffic standards. This route is private, so signage is and remains inadequate. Where in the pictures is the route marked? How would an Uber know that is the route? Google Maps?

And, along with markings and standards, comes liability and law enforcement.

Roadway changes are proposed and likely at the intersection. The Burnet Corridor Project design has a raised median replacing the shared turn land in the center of Burnet. That blocks all southbound access., and confounds the traffic generated by the proposed project. That design hurts traffic for 7113 Burnet.

The Take Away Conclusion, is that traffic access to the proposed project is a significant problem. It is not solved by the shared access. The problem has several 'responsible parties'. Approval of the project at the requested scope will result in significant Public expense to resolve the traffic design.



## Item 12: 7113 Burnet Rezoning

1] The lot penetrates deep into a residential neighborhood. The lot is 990ft deep. That makes a long perimeter, and extensive space for disruptive impact.

2] The sketchy project presented at Public Hearing doesn't require extreme height. The agent kept mentioning 330 to 360 apartment units, ambiguous about parking. Two recent projects in Brentwood of comparable scope are at 48ft.

Easy study of this lot at 65ft height, with a 40ft wide perimeter road, and 190x150 ft grassy detention pond/dog park in back, showed 340 1-BR, plus 84 2-BR, plus 65 3-BR apartments [total just under 500 units], and parking for 395 vehicles as big a Ford pickup.

3] Staff recommendation fits neighborhood impact and other issues such as utilities. Allandale supports the staff recommendation as it keeps the height to what is common along Burnet for similar projects, and the code elements fit neighborhood requirements, without special features such as Conditional Overlays. Keep it simple.

4] Proposed height out of scope – you must to go north to The Domain to find similar height. The proposal is for dramatic disruptive intrusion into a settled neighborhood. Existing uses on the lot have parking and similar low impact items in proximity to residences, churches, and other neighborhood activity. An important aspect of good zoning and planning is proper interface between uses. This proposal violates that.





## Item 12: Traffic and 7113 Burnet

Traffic is a major concern with the 7113 Burnet property.

1] The lot has an awkward placement relative to a major traffic corner, and its' northbound left-turn lane. Greenlawn Pkwy. is one of the few links from Burnet Rd. to Shoal Creek Blvd and to Great Northern Blvd.



2] An agreement for shared access to the Greenlawn traffic signal via the parking lot of 7115 Burnet is in place, but may be useless. The route through the parking lot is restricted and crowded. It is clear that no study of pedestrian safety was done before this agreement was implemented. The lot-lot traffic exchange ramp is small, and wider or additional shared ramps would negatively impact commercial store stock loading uses at 7115.

3] To be effective, available access routes must be chosen and used by drivers. The route through 7115 parking lot could be attractive to drivers on the North side of the development, but not at all useful for those on the South side. So, it might be used by half the drivers.

4] Direct access with Burnet, instead of through the adjacent parking lot, is required for large trucks:

- A] The Access Agreement prohibits construction vehicles.
- B] Trucks moving household belongings need level route, wide turns.
- C] Dumpsters
- D] Fire Trucks

5] Dual, shared and direct, vehicle access has major impact on building design and on-site traffic routes.

A] Direct access into the building from Burnet degrades the Shared Use route. The common architectural device of driving directly into the building for parking and loading should be avoided. Such a scheme, as is seen at 5350 Burnet and other locations, should be avoided here.

B] 'South Side' residents are likely to avoid the 'North Side' shared route. "Why 'drive around' when I can just scoot out? No one is coming!" The Burnet Rd Corridor Study counted 3 accidents there.

6] Safety get complicated when traffic gets into a neighborhood they don't want to be in. If southbound exit and entrance traffic to the project with Burnet is blocked by City of Austin Traffic Dept., drivers will use Greenlawn and Daugherty intersections for u-turns, and private driveways for pull-in/back-out turn around. Both mean new added danger. Which is easier, going all the way around to the shared route through the 7115 parking lot and waiting on a green light, or sneaking a turn round on Greenlawn?

If the drivers skip the turn-around, then they become extra traffic on residential streets. That's hundreds of cars per day on narrow streets with children, pets, and pedestrians.

**From:** [Ned Radich](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** 7113 Burnett Road  
**Date:** Monday, July 5, 2021 4:17:20 PM

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Mr Graham,

I live two blocks from 7113 Burnett Road and remain opposed to MF-6-NP zoning for the site, which would increase the maximum building height from 60 feet to 90 feet, and instead support the city planning staff recommendation for MF-4-NP zoning. The Allandale Neighborhood Association also supports the staff recommendation. Also, please require adequate on-site parking for that site. Thank you.

Ned Radich  
2509 Ellise Ave

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**From:** [John Tate](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Cc:** [Carolyn Croom](#); [Brinsmade, Louisa](#); [Pool, Leslie](#); [District 7](#)  
**Subject:** Rezoning Case C14-2021-0044 (7113 Burnet Road) - supporting the staff recommendation  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 6, 2021 7:02:58 PM

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Dear Mr. Graham,

I support the staff recommendation of MF-4 for the property at 7113 Burnet Road. This would limit the height of a structure on the property to 60 feet. The existence of other multi-story apartment buildings on Burnet Road between Anderson Lane and North Loop that meet the 60-foot height limit shows that a building at that height would be economically viable.

The staff recommendation of MF-4 is based on the stated criteria for that zoning, relative to the surroundings of the parcel. The site does not meet the criteria for MF-6 zoning. Moreover, granting MF-6 would risk setting a precedent for MF-6 zoning elsewhere along Burnet Road, in surroundings that also don't meet the criteria for MF-6.

I understand that the proposed re-zoning includes proposed conditional overlays that would limit construction on the site to a maximum height of 75 feet, and that the current owners of the property and some nearby residents in the Crestview neighborhood are negotiating a restrictive covenant to include the restriction to a maximum height of 75 feet and other provisions. This is all very well for them, but it does not address the fundamental issue: the site does not meet the criteria for the proposed zoning, and there is no community interest sufficient to justify zoning beyond MF-4.

I ask the council members to vote against the proposed rezoning to MF-6, and instead support a zoning of MF-4.

Thank you for collecting and forwarding our input on this issue to the council.

John Tate  
2502 Albata Avenue  
Austin, Texas 78757-2103  
Council District 7

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**From:** [Carolyn Croom](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** Rezoning Case C14-2021-0044 (7113 Burnet Rd): In Favor of MF-4  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 6, 2021 8:56:28 PM

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Dear Mr. Graham,

Please add this to the Staff Report. I do have comments in the Report already, but the comments below make different points, and I would like to have both in the Report. Thank you.

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Dear City Council Members:

Please vote against MF-6-NP zoning with or without any conditional overlays for 7113 Burnet Road, and instead support the city planning staff recommendation for MF-4-NP zoning. The property does not meet any of the criteria to qualify for MF-6, as it is not near a commercial facility, a major institutional or employment center, or the central business district.

The city staff have thoughtfully balanced the need for sustainable growth with the realities of the site. Traffic access to the site is a major problem and would result in considerable public expense to correct the traffic issue. Delivery trucks would be only able to enter the property going north, so if they were going the wrong direction, they would take a path through Allandale. Car trips in and out of the site would likely be around 1000 trips/day and add a significant burden to Burnet Road and Allandale traffic. The proposed huge 350-unit apartment tower would have a big impact on the nature of the existing neighborhoods and businesses nearby, significantly increasing traffic congestion, increasing noise pollution from cars and balconies, and decreasing the privacy of current residents in their homes and yards. There would also be much increased parking and foot traffic in the neighborhoods, reducing safety and making it difficult to use front yards for social gatherings. With the MF-6 zoning, this property would dwarf other buildings in the area. If this zoning were granted, there would be a precedent to build similarly high buildings elsewhere on Burnet Road, further impacting the neighborhoods along it, as well as making it much more difficult for small businesses to afford leases on Burnet Road.

Please follow the professional recommendation of our city staff for MF-4 zoning, and deny the MF-6 request. Please also support adequate on-site parking for that site. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Carolyn Croom  
2502 Albata Avenue  
Austin, TX 78757

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**From:** [Radich, Kathy \[JANUS\]](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** 7113 Burnett Road  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 7, 2021 7:14:06 AM

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Mr Graham,

I live two blocks from 7113 Burnett Road and remain opposed to MF-6-NP zoning for the site, which would increase the maximum building height from 60 feet to 90 feet, and instead support the city planning staff recommendation for MF-4-NP zoning. The Allandale Neighborhood Association also supports the staff recommendation. Also, please require adequate on-site parking for that site. Thank you.

2509 Ellise Ave

Kathy Radich  
559-287-9621

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**From:** [Donna Rose LPC](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** Petition re: 7113 variance proposal for MF-6  
**Date:** Friday, July 9, 2021 1:20:35 AM

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Dear City Council Members:

As a resident of Allandale for 27 years, approximately 1 block away 7113 Burnet Rd on Greenlawn Parkway with plans to continue living here for at least several decade more, I would like to outline additional reasons for my strong objections from my previous letter to the Council on May 28th which I have since learned about. Of serious concern are also that:

1. Sine delivery trucks would be only able to enter the property going north, and if were heading the wrong direction, they would have to drive through Allandale, \*\*down Greenlawn\*\*, Daugherty, and Pegram by necessity (This is simply not acceptable.)
2. Car trips in and out of the site would be on the order of 1000 trips per day, adding a significant traffic burden to Burnet Rd. and neighboring roads. (I have long dreaded this nightmare scenario with Burnet Rd already becoming overly busy, ushering in the inconveniences and hazards to health and safety.)
3. I'm extremely concerned that the Council could override the agreement on adequate parking. (This would supercharge most of the issues of concerns to me and my Allandale neighbors and the surrounding community.
4. Full "party balconies" would be allowed facing Allandale
5. As I previously protested in my 5/28 petition, I am shocked and alarmed that the City Council could approve MF-6 with even a 75' overlay and especially **MF-6 without the overlay, permitting the apartment tower to be 90'**. (This simply **MUST NOT** happen.)
6. Moreover, I have come to learn that the application does not even meet any of the criteria to qualify for MF-6 zoning. (Note: MF-6 may be applied to a use near commercial facilities, an area adjacent to the central business district or a major institutional or employment center.) This leads me to question how this variance is being allowed at all.

Living just south of Daugherty on Greenlawn, I remember all too well the Dallas Nightclub days/nights, with my front yard curb lined with cars, the late night noise, bottles, cans, cigarette pack, butts and wrappers of various kinds appearing in my lawn the following morning for my family to circumnavigate on their way to school or in the yard to play and endlessly pick up. .

The proposed huge 360-unit apartment complex would have an enormous adverse impact on the character of my neighborhood and adjacent neighborhoods and businesses. I am extremely concerned and distressed at the prospect of:

- significantly increasing traffic congestion,
- increased noise pollution from cars and balconies, and
- decreasing the privacy of my neighbors, friends, and in their own homes and yards.

- Increased parking and foot traffic in the neighborhoods, reducing safety and making it difficult to use front yards for social gatherings.
- The construction would be the tallest building between downtown and the Domain, dwarfing other buildings in my area.
- With the height variance there would be a precedence to build similarly high buildings elsewhere on Burnet Road corridor, impacting adjacent neighborhoods,
- Small businesses will have more difficulty affording leases on Burnet Road.

Please accept and promote the professional recommendation of our city staff **in favor of MF-4-NP zoning**, denying this height variance, to prevent the numerous problems that would unfairly burden our community and adversely impact that quality of life for my family, neighbors, friends, and other families in our wonderful, long-lived, peaceful, pleasant, safe, and pleasant neighborhood.

Please also support adequate on-site parking for that site which is critical to the general situation emerging in our general area.

Respectfully,

Donna Rose  
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(512) 743-3529

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**From:** [Michael Wallace](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** 7113 Burnet Rd.: For MF-4-NP & Adequate Parking  
**Date:** Thursday, July 8, 2021 11:33:51 PM

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Dear Mr Graham:

I'm sending this message to you with my concerns regarding the proposed development at 7113 Burnet Rd. Austin.

Please ensure that my concerns are delivered to the Council with the request that they vote against MF-6-NP zoning for 7113 Burnet Road. This development would increase the maximum building height from 60 feet to 90 feet, and instead support the city planning staff recommendation for MF-4-NP zoning. The Allandale Neighborhood Association also supports the staff recommendation. Also, please require adequate on-site parking for that site.

I live a block away from the site and have several concerns. The proposed huge 360-unit apartment complex would have a big impact on the nature of the existing neighborhoods and businesses nearby:

- significantly increasing traffic congestion on Burnet, Greenlawn, Daugherty, and Pegasus
- increasing noise pollution from cars and balconies, and
- decreasing the privacy of current residents in their homes and yards.

There would also be much increased parking and foot traffic in the neighborhoods, reducing safety and making it difficult to use front yards for social gatherings.

With the variance, this property would be the tallest building between downtown and the Domain, dwarfing other buildings in the area. If the height variance were granted, this would set a precedent to build similarly high buildings elsewhere on Burnet Road, further impacting the neighborhoods along it, as well as making it much more difficult for small businesses to afford leases on Burnet Road.

Please follow the professional recommendation of our city staff for MF-4-NP zoning, and deny this height variance, which would have a huge negative impact on the character of the neighborhood and the quality of life for its residents. Please also support adequate on-site parking for that site. Thank you.

Respectfully,  
Michael Wallace  
2505 Greenlawn Pkwy  
Austin, TX 78757

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**From:** [Barbara Hanlon](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** 7113 Burnet Rd.: For MF-4-NP & Adequate Parking  
**Date:** Thursday, July 8, 2021 8:36:52 PM

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Dear Mr. Graham,

Please consider my input for the report you are preparing for Austin City Council Members.

I implore the council members to please vote against MF-6-NP zoning for 7113 Burnet Road, which would increase the maximum building height from 60 feet to 90 feet, and instead support the city planning staff recommendation for MF-4-NP zoning. Also, please require adequate on-site parking for that site.

I live 2 blocks from the site on Albata Ave. and have several concerns. The proposed 360-unit apartment complex would have a huge impact on the nature of the existing neighborhoods and businesses nearby, significantly increasing traffic congestion, increasing noise pollution from cars and balconies, and decreasing the privacy of current residents in their homes and yards. There would also be increased parking and foot traffic in the neighborhoods, reducing safety and making it difficult to use front yards for social gatherings. With the variance, this property would be the tallest building between downtown and the Domain, dwarfing other buildings in the area. If the height variance were granted, there would be a precedent to build similarly high buildings elsewhere on Burnet Road, further impacting the neighborhoods along it, as well as making it much more difficult for small businesses to afford leases on Burnet Road.

I am asking council members to follow the professional recommendation of our city staff for MF-4-NP zoning, and deny this height variance, which would have a very negative impact on the character of the neighborhood and the quality of life of its residents.

Respectfully,  
Barbara Hanlon

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**From:** [John Wood](#)  
**To:** [Graham, Mark](#)  
**Subject:** Urging a HALT to MF6 zoning 7113 Burnet Rd.  
**Date:** Thursday, July 8, 2021 9:49:21 PM

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Dear Austin City Council Members,

Please vote against MF6 zoning for 7113 Burnet Road.  
This letter urges continued support for MF4 zoning at this address.

Why is it necessary to set a precedent by increasing the maximum height by 50% for a huge apartment development project in our neighborhood? It's not necessary, nor would it be wise to do so anytime soon.

Of course over time changes will come to Allandale, but what good reason is there to push for them to occur overnight, in one fell swoop? A 50% increase in maximum height means one thing: Density. And what does it mean we lose? Parking, traffic, safety, all negatively impacted. If you set this precedent, it is at the expense of a lot of sweet families that sacrificed to attain their dream home and dream neighborhood. Please let the pace of development progress more organically, over a longer period of time.

A 90-foot tall apartment building may seem short to downtown folks, or up at the Domain. But there's a reason we aren't living in those areas, and instead have planted ourselves in Allandale. The Domain was originally empty fields. Allandale is not. Please don't treat us indiscriminately. Please don't let the stroke of a pen set a precedent that cannot be walked back later.

Do not allow MF6 zoning to be handed out like candy on Halloween in Allandale. It's a serious, significant change, that will take more time before it is merited, and we aren't there yet. Not even close.

Sincerely,  
John Wood  
Street Address: 2505 Greenlawn Pkwy  
Council District: 7

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