



ITEM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA

COMMISSION MEETING
DATE: August 4, 2021

NAME & NUMBER OF
PROJECT: Karanam Subdivision Wastewater Service Extension Request
#5067

NAME OF APPLICANT OR
ORGANIZATION: I.T. Gonzalez, I.T. Gonzalez Engineering

LOCATION: 10802 D K Ranch Rd, Austin, TX 78759

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Limited Purpose Jurisdiction (Council District 10)

PROJECT FILING DATE: June 17, 2021

WPD/ENVIRONMENTAL
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WATERSHED: Bull Creek, Water Supply Suburban, Northern Edwards Aquifer
Recharge Zone, Drinking Water Protection Zone

REQUEST: Wastewater Service Extension

STAFF

DETERMINATION: Staff recommend approval of this service extension request.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Linda Guerrero, Chair, and Members of the Environmental Commission

FROM: Kaela Champlin, Environmental Program Coordinator
Watershed Protection Department

DATE: July 28, 2021

SUBJECT: Karanam Subdivision Wastewater Service Extension Request #5067

Service Extension Requests (SER) located in the Drinking Water Protection Zone and outside of the City of Austin's full purpose jurisdiction require Council approval and review by the Environmental Commission. Watershed Protection Department staff have completed the review for Karanam Subdivision Wastewater Service Extension Request (SER) #5067 and recommend approval of the request.

Site Overview

The site consists of a tract of approximately 0.62 acres, located at 10802 D-K Ranch Road. The property is located in the City of Austin Limited Purpose Jurisdiction and Council District 10. The site is in the Bull Creek Watershed, Water Supply Suburban, the Drinking Water Protection Zone, and the Northern Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone.

The applicant is proposing to redevelop a single-family home into two single family homes on two separate lots. A site plan has not yet been submitted to the City of Austin at the time that staff reviewed this SER. The site is currently utilizing an On-Site Sewage Facility (OSSF) and is proposing a wastewater SER with two Living Unit Equivalents (LUEs).

Development Impacts

Water:

The site is located in the Austin Water Service Area.

Wastewater:

The SER proposes that the applicant construct approximately 400 feet of appropriately sized low pressure force main from the existing 8-inch gravity wastewater main located in Nashfara Cove, and extend west along Nashfara Cove, and then south along D K Ranch Road to the subject tract, as approximately shown on the attached map.

Alternative Wastewater Service: Under Travis County Chapter 448.032(c)(1), each residential unit served by an OSSF is considered a separate structure. Multiple residential units may be on a single lot or site only if the lot or site contains at least one acre of land for each residential unit.

A property owner cannot subdivide a single-family lot under one acre unless they have service extended to the site. If service is not extended to the site, the applicant will not be able to subdivide the property and the applicant would not be able to develop with a similar density with decentralized service.

Environmental Impacts

The property is in the Bull Creek Watershed and is classified as Water Supply Suburban. The site is in the Drinking Water Protection Zone and the Northern Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone and drains to known Jollyville Plateau salamander (*Eurycea sosorum*) habitat. The site does not contain critical water quality zone, water quality transition zone, and there are no known critical environmental features on this site. An Environmental Resource Inventory (ERI) was not conducted for this SER.

Recommendation

Staff review determined that there are no significant environmental risks to extend service to the site. Therefore, the Watershed Protection Department staff recommend support for Wastewater SER #5067.

The attached information provides further detail on the applicant's request. Please feel free to contact Kaela Champlin at (512) 974-3443 or kaela.champlin@austintexas.gov if you have any questions or comments about the proposed SER.

cc: Colleen Kirk, P.E., Austin Water
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