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ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE: C14-2012-0032

P.C. DATE:

September 25, 2012 September 11, 2012

Del Curto Homes

ADDRESS: 2905 Del Curto Rd. & 1814 Lightsey Rd. AREA:

4.7 acres

OWNER/AGENT:

PSW Lightsey, LP (J. Ryan Diepenbrock)

FROM:

Family residence (SF-3)

TO:

Townhouse and condominium residence - conditional overlay (SF-6-CO)

AREA STUDY: N/A TIA: Neighborhood Traffic Analysis (NTA) is attached

WATERSHED: West Bouldin

DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes

CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: No

SCENIC ROADWAY: No

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AREA: South Lamar

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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- 5. Any site development is limited to 50% impervious coverage.
- 6. Any site development is limited to 36 dwelling units total.

ISSUES

The subject property is located immediately northeast of the intersection of Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road. Many neighborhood representatives have expressed concern about vehicular safety along those roads, and the intersection in particular. Neighborhood representatives have also expressed concern about drainage issues in the area.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

September 11, 2012: POSTPONEMENT TO 9/25/2012 AS REQUESTED BY NEIGHBORHOOD. MOTION BY CHIMENTI, 2ND BY HATFIELD. (8-0).



DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:

The subject property is located northeast of the intersection of Del Curto Road and Lightsey Road in the South Lamar neighborhood. The South Lamar Neighborhood Plan has not been adopted/approved by City Council, so there is no FLUM for the area. The property is comprised of three parcels that are zoned SF-3. The parcels were previously used as single family residences, and houses still remain on two of the parcels. Immediately to the north is an undeveloped lot that is zoned SF-3, and north of that lot are two lots zoned SF-5-CO and SF-6-CO. Both lots are vacant; the SF-5-CO lot has an approved condominium site plan. Across from these lots is an SF-6-CO property that has been developed with condominiums. More information on these properties is provided in the Case Histories section of this report. To the east of the subject property are single family residential lots zoned SF-3, as well as to the south, across Lightsey Road. There are SF-3 zoned residential lots to the west, across Del Curto Road, as well as Del Curto Park, which is zoned P-CO (Exhibits A & B – Zoning Map & Aerial Map).

Due to the surrounding SF-3 and residential land uses, the property is subject to compatibility requirements if SF-6 zoning is granted. Compatibility does not apply adjacent to the P-CO zoned Del Curto Park. Compatibility requirements will include 25 foot setbacks for buildings, parking, driveways and other structures, more height restrictions, screening, and other requirements.

With this zoning request, the applicant proposes to develop the subject property with 40 townhouse/condominium residences (Exhibit C – Conceptual Site Layout). The applicant has met with the South Lamar Neighborhood Association (SLNA) to discuss the zoning request, but the group does not support the request for 40 residential units on the property. In the attached letter, SLNA states that they support a range of 28 to 32 residential units on the property, with conditions (Exhibit D – Neighborhood Letter). The applicant has also filed two other development applications with the City, a subdivision and a site plan, each proposing a different layout and number of residential units. These applications are discussed in the Related Cases section of this report.

A neighborhood traffic analysis (NTA) was not triggered by the vehicular trip generation of the proposed 40-unit development of townhouse/condominium units. However, field conditions warranted further analysis, and an NTA was prepared (Exhibit E – Neighborhood Traffic Analysis).

The subject tract is located in the West Bouldin Creek watershed. Regional stormwater participation is not available in this watershed, so stormwater detention must be provided onsite or conveyed directly to the stormwater system. Drainage design is required at time of subdivision or site plan. If zoned and developed with townhouse/condominiums under SF-6-CO, water quality features will also be required at time of subdivision or site plan.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

| | ZONING | LAND USES |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Site | SF-3 | Single family residences, Vacant |
| North | SF-3, SF-5-CO, SF-6-CO | Single family residences, Vacant |
| South | SF-3 | Single family residences |
| East | SF-3 | Single family residences |
| West | SF-3, P-CO | Single family residences, Public park |

ABUTTING STREETS:

| Name | ROW | Pavement | Class | Sidewalk | Bus Route | Bike Route |
|----------------|--------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| Lightsey Road | Varies | Varies | Collector | No | No | # 25 |
| Del Curto Road | Varies | Varies | Collector | No | No | # 25 |



| CASE | HISTORIES: |
|------|------------|
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| CASE HISTOR | IES: | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| ZONING CASE/ ORDINANCE | ADDRESS | REQUESTED FROM-TO | ZONING GRANTED | CONDITIONS |
| C14-2010-0075 ORD. # 20100729-121 C14-2009-0159 ORD. # 20100624-121 | 3000 Del Curto | SF-3-CO to P-CO SF-3 to SF-6 | P-CO SF-6-CO | A trail for pedestrian & bicycle use the facilitates connection to Del Curto Rd, Manchaca Rd, Lightsey Rd, and S. Lamar Blvd is required. A. Vehicular trips not to exceed 2,000/day; B. Min lot size of 5,750 s.f. max height of 35 feet; max bldg. coverage of 40%; max impervious coverage of 45%; max density of 7.2 units/acre; max density of total 20 residential units. |
| C14-2007-0233 ORD. # 20080212-090 | 2811 Del Curto | SF-3 to SF-5-CO | SF-5-CO | A. May not exceed 6 dwelling units (du); B. May not exceed 5.802 du/acre; C. Max height of 32 feet and 2 stories; D. Habitable attic less than 400 s.f. shall not be counted as a story, per 25-2, (F) 3.3.2; E. Condominium or townhouse use subject to 25-2(F); F. Max impervious cover of 45%; If driveways are constructed of grass pavers, impervious cover max of 50%; H. Building setback line of 10 feet along north & south property lines. |
| C14-06-0189 ORD. # 20061130-056 | Curto | SF-3 to SF-5-CO | SF-5-CO | A. May not exceed 4 residential units; B. Max impervious cover of 50%. |
| C14-00-2130 | Curto | SF-3 SF-4A | | NOTE: Staff & PC recommended SF- 4A (10/10/10: 8-1, Mather- Nay). Valid petition (32.25%) filed by the Kinney Road Neighborhood Association in opposition to the request. Zoning denied at City Council (11/30/10: 8-0). |

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RELATED CASES: There are two other development applications for the subject property currently on file with the City. A preliminary plan was filed under Case # C8-2012-0037 on March 15, 2012. The subdivision application proposes 22 residential and 1 pond lots. This would allow 44 duplex units. The subdivision is proposed to comply with the existing SF-3 zoning, and is approximately midway through the staff review process.

Site plan application was made under File # SP-2012-0284C by the Applicant on August 28, 2012. The application proposes 40 condominium/townhomes and one pond on a single lot. This site plan is proposed to comply with this SF-6 zoning application. Staff review of the site plan application is only in the preliminary stages, due to the recent submittal date.

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

South Central Coalition
Austin Neighborhoods Council
The Village at Kinney Court
Austin Heritage Tree Foundation
Glen Allen Condo Association
South Lamar Neighborhood Association

SCHOOLS:

Zilker Elementary School

O Henry Middle School

Austin High School

CITY COUNCIL DATE: October 11, 2012

ACTION:

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1st

2nd 3rd

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER: Heather Chaffin

PHONE: 974-2122

e-mail: heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov



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These conditions were developed based on Staff review of transportation, drainage, land use, and other issues affecting the subject property and the general vicinity.

BASIS FOR LAND USE RECOMMENDATION (ZONING PRINCIPLES)

1. The proposed zoning should be consistent with the purpose statement of the district sought.

The applicant proposes building townhouse/condominium residences on the subject property, which is permitted under SF-6 zoning.

2. Granting of the request should result in an equal treatment of similarly situated properties.

Six properties along the stretch of Del Curto Road from Lightsey Road to Bluebonnet Lane have been granted zoning ranging from SF-5-CO to MF-2. Details of the most recent zoning cases are listed in the Case Histories.

3. Zoning changes should promote compatibility with adjacent and nearby uses and should not result in detrimental impacts to the neighborhood character.

SF-6-CO zoning, as recommended, would allow development of the property with up to 36 residential units, which would be an appropriate intensity for this tract. Compatibility standards would ensure 25-foot setbacks and screening on all sides. Other SF-5-CO and SF-6-CO properties are also located nearby on Del Curto Road. Traffic, water quality, and drainage impacts would be addressed at time of subdivision or site development.

Environmental

1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is located in the West Bouldin 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. Impervious cover is not limited in this watershed class; therefore the zoning district impervious cover limits will apply.
- 3. This site is required to provide on-site structural water quality controls (or payment in lieu of) for all development and/or redevelopment when 5,000 s.f. cumulative is exceeded, and detention for the two-year storm. At this time, no information has been provided as to whether this property has any pre-existing approvals which would preempt current water quality or Code requirements.
- According to flood plain maps, there is no flood plain within the project area.
- 5. Numerous trees will likely be impacted with a proposed development associated with this rezoning case. Please be aware that an approved rezoning status does not eliminate a proposed development's requirements to meet the intent of the tree ordinances. If further explanation or specificity is needed, please contact the City Arborist at 974-1876. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding other vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.
- 6. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.

Site Plan

SP 1. Any new development is subject to Subchapter E. Parkland Dedication, Compatibility Standards, Design Standards and Mixed Use. Additional comments will be made when the site plan is submitted.

Transportation

- TR1. If the requested zoning is granted for this site, 45 feet of right-of-way should be dedicated from the centerline of Lightsey Road and 30 feet of right-of-way should be dedicated from the centerline of Del Curto Road in accordance with the Transportation Criteria Manual, in order to accommodate traffic anticipated to be generated by this site. LDC, 25-6-55; TCM, Tables 1-7, 1-12.
- TR2. The Austin Transportation Dept. has identified major sight-distance concerns to provide safe access to/from this site. If the requested zoning is granted, it is recommended that a sight-distance study for access be required for this site. The sight-distance study may be deferred to either the subdivision or the site plan stages.
- TR3. A Neighborhood Traffic Analysis (NTA) is required and will be performed for this project by the Transportation Review staff. The applicant must provide to city staff recent traffic counts taken by a qualified transportation professional for Del Curto and Lightsey Road. Results of the NTA will be provided in a separate memo. LDC, Sec. 25-6-114.
- TR4. Del Curto Road and Lightsey Road are classified in the Bicycle Plan as Bike Route No. 25.
- TR5. Capital Metro bus service is not available along Del Curto Road and Lightsey Road.
- TR6. There are no existing sidewalks along Del Curto Road and Lightsey Road.

C14-2012-0032

TR7. Existing Street Characteristics:

Name ROW Pavement Classification **ADT** Lightsey Road Varies Varies Collector N/A Del Curto Road Varies Varies Collector N/A

Water / Wastewater
The site is currently served by City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. If redeveloped 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. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility for compliance with City criteria. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. 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.





MEMORANDUM

TO:

Heather Chaffin, Zoning Case Manager

CC:

Eric Bollich, P.E., Jerry Perales, P.E.

FROM:

Ivan J. Naranjo, Senior Transportation Planner

DATE:

August 28, 2012

SUBJECT:

Neighborhood Traffic Analysis for Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road

Zoning Case: Del Curto Homes C14-2012-0032

The Transportation Section has performed a neighborhood traffic impact analysis (NTA) for the above referenced case and offers the following comments:

The 4.7-acre tract is proposed as a residential development consisting of approximately 40 detached condos or townhouses. The site is located in south Austin at the northeast corner of Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road. The project, which is currently zoned Single-Family Residence (SF-3), is requesting a change to Single-Family Residence (SF-6). The tract will have vehicular access to Del Curto Road. The properties surrounding this tract to the north, south, east and west are zoned single family (SF-3). Lightsey Road creates the southern border and Del Curto Road creates the western border for this tract.

Roadways

Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road are classified as neighborhood collector streets with a varying right-of-way and a varying pavement under 30'. Currently, road gaps on each side of Lightsey Road near this development prevent it from connecting on the west to intersect with Manchaca Road and the gap at the railroad on the east prevents it from connecting with Barton Skyway. Lightsey Road currently turns into Del Curto Road at the curve located on the southwest corner of this property. Based on recent traffic counts taken on 7/26/12 by GRAM Traffic, Inc., plus adjusted by 10% to compensate for missing school traffic, these roads are carrying approximately 2,671 vehicles per day. According to the Transportation Criteria Manual (TCM), the typical average daily traffic (ADT) for a neighborhood collector street built to alternative design criteria without standard curb and gutter ranges from 1600 to 4800 vehicles per day.

Trip Generation and Traffic Analysis

Based on the ITE's publication Trip Generation Rates - 8th Edition, the proposed development at the time of site plan will generate approximately 232 vehicle-trips per day (vpd).

| Tri | p Generation | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|--|-----|
| LAND USE | ITE Code | SIZE | VPD |
| Resd. Condo/Townhouse | 230 | 40 Units | 232 |
| TOTAL | | | 232 |

Distribution of trips was estimated as follows:

| Street | Site Traffic |
|----------------|--------------|
| Lightsey Road | 50% |
| Del Curto Road | 50% |



Below is a table containing the estimated number of trips that will affect each street:

| Street | Existing Traffic (vpd) | Site Traffic (vpd) | Total Traffic after Project (vpd) |
|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Lightsey Road | 2,671 | 116 | 2,787 |
| Del Curto Road | 2,671 | 116 | 2,787 |

The Land Development Code specifies desirable operating levels for certain streets in section 25-6-116. These levels are as follows: A residential local or collector street with a pavement width of less than 30' should carry 1,200 vehicles per day or less.

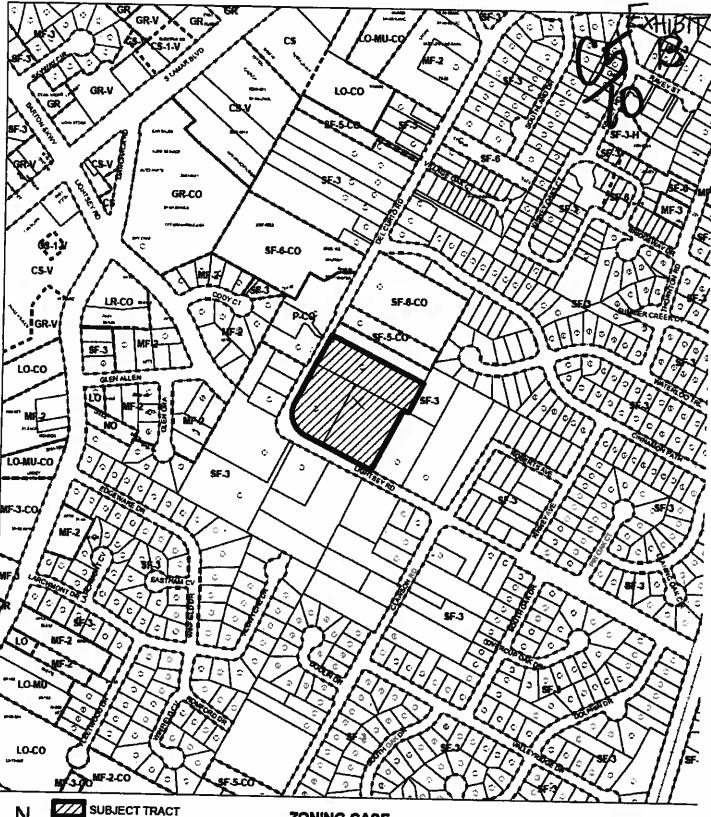
Conclusions

- 1. The neighborhood traffic analysis (NTA) was prepared by the Planning & Development Review Dept. because the Austin Transportation Dept. Identified critical sight-distance concerns for this tract along Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road. In order to provide safe vehicular access to and from this development, a sight-distance study was required. Based on the sight-distance study, it is recommended that access to this development be allowed only from Del Curto Road and that access from Lightsey Road be prohibited. In addition, traffic warning signs and sight-distance easements, as approved by the Austin Transportation Department, will be required during the subdivision stage or site plan stage.
- 2. If the requested zoning is granted for this site, 30' of right-of-way should be dedicated from the centerline of Lightsey Road and 30' of right-of-way should be dedicated from the centerline of Del Curto Road in accordance with the Transportation Criteria Manual. LDC, 25-6-55.
- 3. This site should be limited through a conditional overlay to 232 vehicle-trips per day. This would allow for 40 dwelling units to be constructed on site. With this limitation, the projected traffic along Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road would increase to 2,787 vpd in each direction thus resulting in an addition of approximately 7.89% from the existing traffic.
- 4. The existing traffic along Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road exceed the minimum requirements established in Section 25-6-116 by 1,471 vpd. Due to this development, the traffic along Lightsey Road and Del Curto Road is estimated to exceed the requirements of this section by 1,587 vpd.
- 5. The City Council may approve a zoning application if it is determined that the applicant has satisfactorily mitigated adverse traffic effects or the projected additional traffic from a project has an insignificant effect on the residential streets.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 974-7649.

Ivan J. Naranjo, Senior Transportation Planner

Planning and Development Review Department



PENDING CASE

1" = 200"

ZONING CASE

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ZONING BOUNDARY

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C14-2012-0032 / Del Curto Homes (Exhibit



1 inch = 200 feet

Lightsey Development

EXHIBIT C

SF-3 Current Zoning Subdivision

- See attached 42 unit subdivision plan in formal review with the City of Austin
 - Our preferred driveway configuration on Lightsey by providing an additional 15'of street on Lightsey we've created a safe drive with a median for those homeowners to use, exiting one-way only at the top of Lightsey
 - City maintained drainage ponds (1 or 2) must be used and accessed from the street
- See attached 45 unit subdivision plan with joint use access driveway
 - An option with a less traditional driveway access to the homes on Lightsey
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- An SF-3 subdivision pushes us towards maximizing the density in effort to reduce pricing. City streest, utilities, ponds, etc. cost more, take up more of our development budget, and therefore require as many units as possible to spread out the costs.

SF-6 Zoning Request and Conditions Summary

- See attached 40 unit site plan. After providing the city with a small amount of additional rightof-way to allow for 60' in Lightsey and Delcurto, the resulting site area is 4.61 acres
- Drainage controls are not city maintained and can be located throughout the project. Allowed types of control extend beyond ponds to include rain gardens, underground tanks, etc.
- SF-6 requires 25' compatibility setbacks for the north and east adjoining neighbors
- 40 dwelling units max (calculates to 8.7 per acre)
- Two-story height limitation
- 5 star AEGB with solar on all homes that have the appropriate line of sight to the sun
- All homes spaced at least 8' apart to meet fire separation requirements, our current design and intent is to space homes 10' apart but special circumstance may arise (like working around a tree) where 8' apart is better.
- Each home will have 2 parking spots within their home-site and access to an area in which a 3rd vehicle can park. This could be on their driveway or in a guest spot, somewhere on the property.

PSW's Goal

The following is an example of how a correctly designed SF-6 development can be superior to SF-3 in achieving some of our goals. These two projects were recently built by PSW and are directly across the street from one another:

| Meiridge Place | SF-3 Zoning |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Style | Duplexes |
| Density | 6 (10 per acre) |
| Occupants | 10 |
| Families | 1 |
| % Families | 10% |
| Solar | 0 of 6 |

| Ziiker Terrace | Changed to SF-6 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Style | Detached Homes |
| Density | 14 (9 per acre) |
| Occupants | 14 |
| Families | 7 |
| % Families | 50% |
| Solar | 13 of 14 |

Lightsey Development



At PSW we have a specific goal of providing homes that meet the needs of a broad range of buyers. This especially includes families that want to live in the urban areas. We feel that families help improve the quality of their surrounding communities through their involvement in the schools and local restaurants, retailers, etc.

PSW is concerned about growing "exclusiveness" of single family homes in many of our urban neighborhoods such as Travis Heights, Bouldin, Zilker, Barton Hilis, South Lamar, Tarrytown, Clarksville, Allendale, etc. Exclusiveness is the result of the higher prices that come from a lack of denser single family developments. While this may provide a short term benefit for anyone currently living in a single family home in these neighborhoods, overtime it will continue to widen the home pricing gap resulting in fewer families that can afford a home in these neighborhoods.

A PSW home is not a cheap, inexpensively built home. It by no means will bring down the value in the neighborhood. It's full of features and quality finishes so that our residents feel like they received a good value. We make every effort to focus our budget on things that matter to our buyers. But a PSW home is definitely not a luxury McMansion that only a few can afford.







1814 LIGHTSEY ROAD SITEPLAN LAYOUT - JUNE 12, 2012

40 HOMES

PSW REAL ESTATE SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT



PSW REAL ESTATE SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

TREE TABLE

24"+ 11 EUSTING 19"-23" ZI EUSTING

-- DEJMO TREE IN RED

G 20E/

2 DEAD 12 REMOVED

9 REMAIN 11 REMAIN

1814 LIGHTSEY ROAD SUBDIVISION BUILDABILITY EXHIBIT JUNE 30, 2012 42 UNITS





C5 16

17 March, 2012

Ryan Diepenbrock PSW Real Estate 2003 S. First St. Austin TX 78704

SUBJECT: 1814 Lightsey Rd and the South Lamar Neighborhood Association's position regarding the request to up-zone from SF-3 to SF-6

Dear Ryan.

The South Lamar Neighborhood consists of a wide range of development densitles, and this diversity of land use and density is a defining characteristic of the neighborhood. The goal of the South Lamar Neighborhood Association (SLNA) has consistently been to work with developers toward infill practices that place the highest densities at the periphery of the neighborhood on major arterial streets, and cap the development density of tracts within the neighborhood core to a level that is achievable under the current zoning of the tract in question, and which considers other factors such as the topography, ingress/egress safety, and the character of surrounding properties within the broader context of the neighborhood as a whole. Although, the SLNA recognizes the rights of land owners, including the right to develop properties within the City's regulations, the SLNA believes that the appropriate development density is not necessarily the maximum allowable density in all cases; and there are many instances where the total unit count is a more critical unit of measure than density..

It is under these tenets that the SLNA expresses the following facts and positions regarding the development of **1814 Lightsey Road**, and the developer's expressed desire to pursue up-zoning from SF-3 to SF-6:

- This tract is clearly deep within the core of the neighborhood.
- As a baseline, we have scrutinized the level of development achievable with no change in zoning. At the current zoning (SF-3) and considering the challenges of topography, drainage, extreme danger of vehicular ingress/egress near the intersection of Lightsey and Del Curto roads (which defines the south/west border of the property) infrastructure impact, and other constraints of the tract in question, the Association's calculations and past experiences indicate that the maximum number of units achievable once all City development codes and requirements beyond basic zoning are met is in the low to mid 30s.
- Given the characteristics of the site and the expressed desire of the developer to develop single-family residences at this site, the SLNA recognizes that there are benefits to the developer of crafting a site plan under SF-6 zoning guidelines. Apart from increased unit count and density, additional benefits include the elimination of multiple driveways, greater flexibility in lot size, and a greater flexibility in placement of storm water detention features.

- SF-6 is defined by the city as a transitional zoning category between single-family and multi-family zoned tracts. Since there is no multi-family zoned tract adjacent to the site, SF-6 zoning is not inherently suited to the tract under city code. However, the SLNA has a precedent of working with developers of other tracts obtain SF-6 zoning in similar situations. This has been achieved through a negotiated agreement placing a Conditional Overlay (CO) on the subject property in addition to the SF-6 zoning in order to limit the density of development to a level less than or equal to that which is realistically achievable under the previous tract zoning, SF-3 in this case.
- In return for non-opposition to the SF-6 zoning, a zoning which would benefit the developer, the SLNA expresses a desire to negotiate with the developer in order to achieve a development that is beneficial to the developer as well as to neighbors, and which will maximize the quality of life of the new residents within the development. The intended result of a negotiation would be an overall increase in both density and raw home count within the South Lamar Neighborhood, while preserving the essential look-and-feel of the area.
- SLNA believes that 28 to 32 units is the appropriate number compatible with the constraints of this property. SLNA is willing to support the upper end of this range, with SF-6 zonling, contingent upon, and only in return for, specific community and neighborhood benefits to be codified in the CO. The neighborhood prefers a significantly lower total unit count and would non-oppose SF-6 at or below 28 units. However, SLNA is willing to consider non-opposition to the up-zonling at higher unit counts provided that there are significant compensating concessions to be codified in a Conditional Overlay applied to SF-6 zonling.

This statement was thoroughly reviewed by the members of the SLNA ZonIng Committee and is submitted with the full support of these officers of the South Lamar Neighborhood Association:

President: Nancy Maclaine

Vice- President: Steve Lacker

Secretary: Hilary Dyer

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Maclaine

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However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the Council may add the MIXED USE (MU) COMBINING DISTRICT to certain commercial districts. The MU Combining District simply allows residential uses in addition to those uses already allowed in the seven commercial zoning districts. As a result, the MU Combining District allows the combination of office, retail, commercial, and residential uses within a single development.

For additional information on the City of Austin's land development process, visit our website:

www.austintexas.gov

P. O. Box 1088

Heather Chaffin

City of Austin

Austin, TX 78767-8810

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If you use this form to comment, it may be returned to:

Written comments must be submitted to the board or commission (or the contact person listed on the notice) before or at a public hearing. Your comments should include the board or commission's name, the scheduled date of the public hearing, and the Case Number and the contact person listed on the notice.

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However, in order to allow for mixed use development, the Council may add the MIXED USE (MU) COMBINING DISTRICT to certain commercial districts. The MU Combining District simply allows residential uses in addition to those uses already allowed in the seven commercial zoning districts. As a result, the MU Combining District allows the combination of office, retail, commercial, and residential uses within a single development.

For additional information on the City of Austin's land development process, visit our website:

www.austintexas.gov

Written comments must be submitted to the board or commission (or the contact person listed on the notice) before or at a public hearing. Your comments should include the board or commission's name, the scheduled date of the public hearing, and the Case Number and the contact person listed on the notice.

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Chaffin, Heather

From:

Hilary Dyer

Sent:

Sunday, September 09, 2012 8:19 PM

To:

Chaffin, Heather

Cc: Subject: Nancy Maciaine; Steve Lacker

Case C8-2012-0037 at Planning Commission

Dear Heather:

The South Lamar Neighborhood Association would like to postpone until September 25, 2012 the hearing of case C8-2012-0037 at Planning Commission. Due to unforeseen circumstances, many of our zoning committee members and several close neighbors are unable to attend on Tuesday, September 11.

Thank you for your consideration, Hilary Dyer SLNA Secretary

cc: Nancy Maclaine, President cc: Steve Lacker, Vice President

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