













Date: <u>December 10, 2012</u> File Number: CD-2012-0021

Address of Rezoning Request: 211 S. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78704

To: Austin City Council

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Date: <u>December 10, 2012</u> Contact Name: <u>Sushma Jasti Smith</u>

Phone Number: <u>281.772.9618</u>

Case Number: **Magic Ticket # 1231488** Date: 2/28/2013

Total Square Footage of Buffer: 28

288659.50

Percentage of Square Footage Owned by Petitioners Within Buffer:

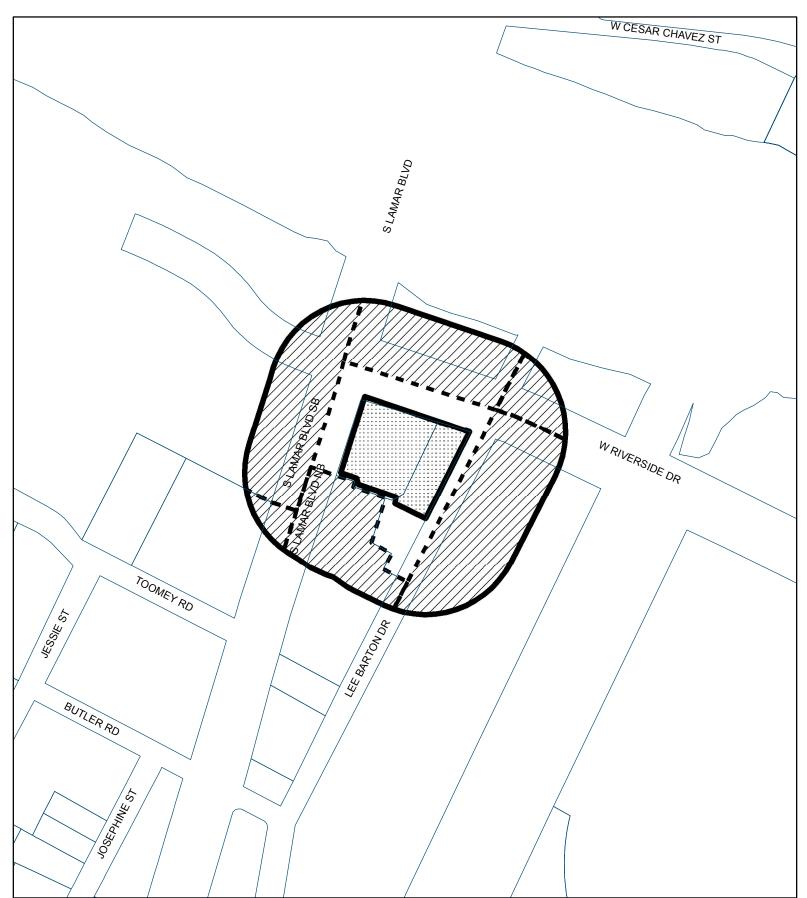
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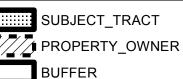
Calculation: The total square footage is calculated by taking the sum of the area of all TCAD Parcels with valid signatures including one-half of the adjacent right-of-way that fall within 200 feet of the subject tract. Parcels that do not fall within the 200 foot buffer are not used for calculation. When a parcel intersects the edge of the buffer, only the portion of the parcel that falls within the buffer is used. The area of the buffer does not include the subject tract.

| # | TCAD ID | Address | Owner | Signature | Petition Area | Percent |
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| | | ROBERT E LEE RD | | | | |
| 1 | 0105020201 | 78704 | CITY OF AUSTIN | no | 14035.11 | 0.00% |
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| 3 | 0105020101 | BLVD 78704 | CITY OF AUSTIN | no | 56234.15 | 0.00% |
| | | 1201 W | | | | |
| | | RIVERSIDE DR | CITY OF AUSTIN % REAL | | | |
| 4 | 0104010201 | 78704 | ESTATE DIVISION | no | 73565.00 | 0.00% |
| | | 210 LEE BARTON | | | | |
| 5 | 0105020901 | DR | MULTIPLE OWNERS | yes | 41693.41 | 14.44% |
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| 6 | 0105020102 | BLVD 78704 | PFLUGER | no | 7767.09 | 0.00% |
| | | 213 S LAMAR | | | | |
| 7 | 0105020301 | BLVD 78704 | POST PAGGI LLC | no | 13195.16 | 0.00% |
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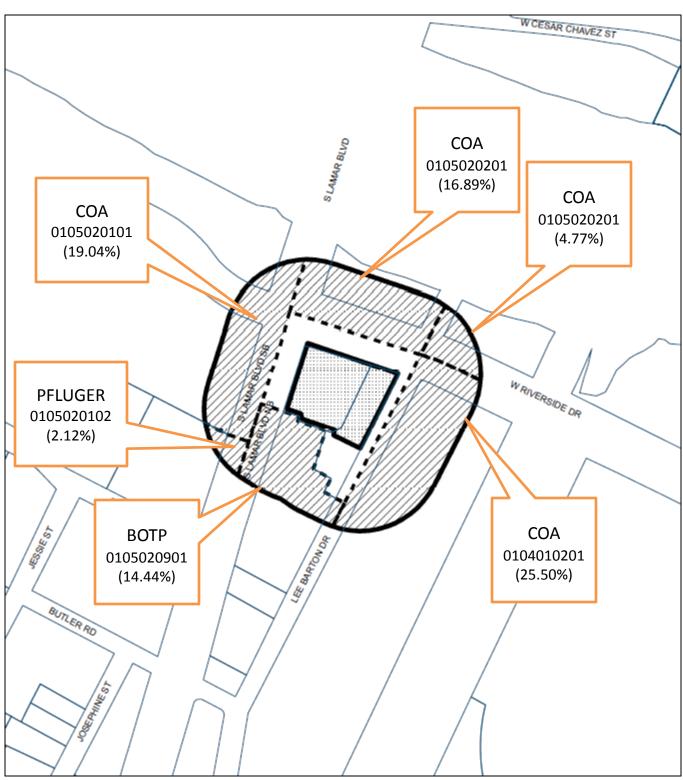
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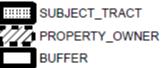












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----Original Message-----

From: Robert Wilson

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2013 4:14 PM

To: Heckman, Lee

Subject: Re: C814-2012-0160 / 211 S Lamar Proposed PUD

Lee,

Thank you for spending so much time with us yesterday. I really appreciate it and the information was extremely helpful. I'll follow up with Brad Jackson after reviewing the most current tree survey.

Attached is an updated "valid petition" letter which reflects the proposed PUD case number. Please let me know if this is sufficient to include in the packets or if you would prefer a hard copy.

Best regards, Robert Wilson (512) 656-4604

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