May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

The Honorable Lee Leffingwell, Mayor The Honorable Cheryl Cole, Place 5 The Honorable Chris Riley, Place 1 The Honorable Kathie Tovo, Place 2

The Honorable Mike Martinez, Place 3 The Honorable Laura Morrison, Place 4 The Honorable Bill Spelman, Place 5

Austin City Hall 301 W. Second St. Second Floor Austin, TX 78701

Dear Honorable Mayor and Members of Council:

On May 24th, the Austin City Council is scheduled to hear zoning case #C14-2011-014 regarding a project known as Peaceful Hill Condominiums, also known as 8107 Peaceful Hill. I would like to express my opposition to this project and respectfully ask that you vote 'NO' on the SF-6 zoning request made by the applicant.

I ask that you recognize the valid citizen petition that has been filed in opposition to applicant's SF-6 zoning request. Until and unless matters such as school safety, traffic flow, water runoff, details of the proposed project, and the appropriateness regarding the density of this project are answered to the satisfaction of this community, I ask that you vote 'NO' on the zoning request for SF-6 at 8107 Peaceful Hill Lane.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter, and for your service to the citizens of Austin.

Sincerely,

Cilfred Aguilar LOZ Blue Valley Oustin Tx 78748

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March 2012

Engineering Report for Zoning and Platting Commission Hearing

Peaceful Hill Condominiums Application: C14-2011-0141

This report was prepared for a coalition of neighborhood associations and interested parties that have concerns about the proposed Peaceful Hill Condominium Project referenced above. The following are critical issues relative to this project that have direct impacts on the interested parties.

### **Land Use**

Traditionally, a buffer of intermediate land use is placed between higher land use intensities (density) and lower land use intensities. In this situation we have high intensity land use along South Congress and Ralph Ablenedo Drive and generally SF-2 residential in areas not adjacent to these two roadways. The recently completed Park Ridge Gardens is zoned SF-4 and is located adjacent to the proposed Peaceful Hill Condominiums and in between the existing SF-2 residential and the higher intensity lands uses along the two mentioned roadways.

Logically, Park Ridge Gardens is performing as a land use intensity buffer between the higher land use intensities along the major roads and the single family housing in the neighborhood. Following this logic, a land use with intensity between SF-4 and SF-2 should be placed as a buffer between Park Ridge Gardens and the rest of the residential community. Instead, Peaceful Hill Condominiums is request a more intense land use SF-6. This proposal does not meet the logical considerations of a buffer zone between higher and lower intensity lands uses.

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### **Fire Protection**

The suggested site plan submitted with the project application has two fire design issues that make the suggested site layout infeasible. Turning radiuses must meet Austin Fire Department guidelines and fire hose drags to the furthest point of a building from the edge of a fire truck accessible roadway must be 150 feet or less.

## **Hydrology and Water Quality Design**

The proposed site configuration submitted with the Peaceful Hill Condominiums application as an example of construction does not leave enough room for stormwater quality treatment and flood detention. Because there is no defined waterway, swale or existing drainage concentration leaving this property, stormwater discharge will have to be made in a manner that does not increase flow quantity above background amounts. This will likely require multiple ponds and linear flow spreaders locate along the downhill edge of all development or a costly pumping systems and easement(s) to carry the stormwater to a suitable discharge point.

## **Heritage and Protected Trees**

There are four heritage trees and a grove of protected pecans on the property. These trees significantly reduce the proposed density of the suggested site plan for this application.

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May 20, 2012 Engineers Letter Peaceful Hill Condominiums Traffic, Number of Units and Drainage Issues Application: C14-2011-0141



This report was prepared for a coalition of neighborhood associations and interested parties that have concerns about the proposed Peaceful Hill Condominium Project referenced above. The following are critical issues relative to this project that have direct impacts on the interested parties and on our community as a whole.

#### **Traffic:**

It is entirely inappropriate to let this project proceed without evaluating the overlooked additional traffic in the Neighborhood Traffic Analysis (NTA) and determining the meaning of the actual traffic increase in front of Williams Elementary. *Emphasis needs to be placed on the traffic issue with this project.* 

Mairo Street leads directly from the proposed Peaceful Hill Condominiums directly to South First Street and the proposed development directly allows access from the adjacent Park Ridge Gardens to South First Street. This traffic from the adjacent Park Ridge Gardens was not included in the NTA.

The results are that traffic in front of Williams Elementary does not increase by 26 percent as indicated in the NTA but by 134 percent. A detailed analysis of this matter is presented at the end of this letter. This is the same analysis that was presented to staff, ZAP and Council previously.

## Number of Units: SF-2 vs. SF-4/SF-6

Careful evaluation of Google Maps shows that the Peaceful Hill Neighborhood Association lot density is 3 to 4 lots per acre, Park Ridge Gardens is 9 lots per acre and the proposed Peaceful Hill Condominiums is 8.4 lots per acre.

The SF-2 land use designation of 5,750 square feet per lot, assuming 20% (+/-) for roadways and drainage infrastructure, is only a starting point in any evaluation of the number of lots that a particular parcel can accommodate. Once this is determined, additional land must be removed from the assumption for complicating factors due to parcel shape, terrain and critical environmental features. In the case of this tract, all three of these complicating factors conspire to reduce the number of units that can be constructed on this specific parcel as described below and in Figure 2:

The parcel has an exceedingly odd shape. It is too narrow to allow for two parallel public streets creating a loop at any point, so a simple "T" street layout must be assumed. This reduces the number of lots.

There are four heritage trees on the site. These trees are located so that several to numerous lots cannot be constructed, reducing the number of possible lots further.

The parcel is quite flat and there is no alternative for underground connection of storm drain sewer lines. This means that the stormwater facilities cannot be constructed in deep ponds with a small surface area and must instead utilize shallow ponds with

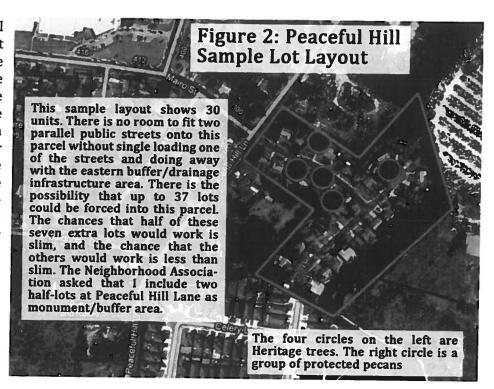


large surface area(s). Additionally, there is no defined drainage leading off the property and flow spreaders must be used to return stormwater discharge to its natural sheet flow condition. This requires more land area and further reduces the number of units that can be placed on the site.

I have prepared an example site layout (see below), using cut and paste (Google Maps) lots from the adjacent Peaceful Hill neighborhood that demonstrates these things.

This layout includes 30 lots. The lots were physically cut and pasted from the Peaceful Hill neighborhood. Accurate measurement of the actual size of these lots is shown in Figure 3 and is found to be 12 percent larger than the minimum lot size for SF-2 of 5,750 feet.

This is the type of estimate I would prepare for my client this stage of development process. There is room to add several more lots if we are lucky, if the tree survey and negotiations with neighborhood buffers, and issues with the hazardous leaching in the wrecking vard are successfully addressed. These lots would number about three and are located: adjacent to two of the Heritage trees and adjacent to Park Ridge Gardens. In addition one or maybe even two more lots could be situated in the odd triangular leftover space the in



northernmost corner of the property, but these lots are very undesirable. There are also two half-lots at the entry on Peaceful Hill Lane. The Neighborhood Association asked me to leave these two half-lots vacant so as to serve as entry monument lots/buffer area.

The lots size chosen for this sample is also 12 percent larger than the minimum. Ideally, three or four

additional lots could be picked up if their sized was reduced to the minimum, but because of the odd shape of this parcel and Heritage trees, it is not likely that any more than one or two lots could be picked up by reducing the size.

As figure one shows, there is not enough room to provide for a public street loop under SF-2, with houses on both sides of the street. There is enough room for a loop with houses only one side of half the loop, but all lots in the loop must be an odd size; approximately 75 feet x 75 feet and there is no room for drainage facilities on the downhill side, much less a buffer between this parcel and the adjacent parcels.

When the buffer(s) and room for drainage infrastructure are added in, even a loop that is half "single-loaded" is infeasible. The only way a loop is feasible is SF-6 zoning and a site plan using 3,750 sf "condo lots."



If all of the above assumptions and negotiations were successful, and two highly undesirable flag lots were added in the triangle, the lot count would be 37 or 38. In reality the lot count will likely end up at *no more than* 33 lots or 3.5 lots per acre if the tree survey and negotiations work out favorably for the developer.

### Stormwater Facilities:

Figure Two shows about 50 to 75 feet of vacant land to the east and south of the sample lots. This area is for stormwater facilities and flow spreading. Unless stormwater is piped off-site (discussed below) discharge must leave the site as sheet flow and further, it must be discharge equally along all parts of the site where it would naturally be discharged.

Because of the configuration of this site; flat with no defined drainageways leaving the site, the entire downhill side of the site must serve as a discharge area. This means that a flow spreader will basically have to be built along the entire downhill side of the property, also meaning that unless a pumping system is provided, multiple ponds will need to be built.

There are two other alternative. One involves an easement purchased in the wrecking yard to bury a large diameter stormsewer approximately 200 feet to the existing defined natural drainageway. The drawback of course is that in this alternative, concentrated stormwater is entering the (what is likely) significant hazardous waste contaminated area (also discussed below).

The other alternative is to collect all of the runoff in one central area in an oversized facility and pump it offsite to a suitable point in a small diameter force main.

## Hazardous Materials Coming Off the Salvage Yard:

It is unfortunate that upstream development has proceeded without regards to the additional runoff coursing through this automobile salvage facility. This long-term wrecking yard is very likely to be a place where heavy metals and toxic materials are abundantly spread across the site. This is not meant maliciously, this facility has been in operation for decades certainly and maybe generation; before many of our current hazardous materials rules and regulations were enacted.

But this does not mean that the accidental or purposeful wasting of hazardous fluids and indiscriminate leaching of heavy metals has not occurred or will not continue. Before the rules were put into place, used motor oil was commonly disposed of along fence lines to keep the weeds down or used on caliche roads to keep the dust down. Waste anti-freeze and brake fluid were drained into the dirt and asbestos laden brake dust blown and washed off brake pads and parts indiscriminately.

But because these acts were all legal back in the day does not mean the results of these acts are any less hazardous. Nor does it mean that those hazardous materials are not still in the soils of the wrecking yard leaching out with every runoff event. Adding further significant volumes of stormwater runoff from this proposed Peaceful Hill Condominium development compounds that situation further.

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I have no precedent to address this sort of serious problem. It is unknown if this site is contaminated enough to be a superfund site, but wrecking yards can certainly be found on the Superfund list. So what alternatives do we have to address this situation?

Contamination washes off of the salvage yard site every time it rains. As more runoff washes through the site from increased development upstream, the opportunity increases for more contaminants and toxic materials to leave the site. Dry windy conditions, common in drought, also increase the opportunity for contaminants, especially asbestos, to be blown from the site.

This is a decision that the city council of an environmentally friendly city should make. A solution to clean up the source of the pollution may be more problematic than a solution that limits the amount of runoff that washes through this site. A negotiated solution with this developer would include an oversized stormwater facility capable of capturing the 100-year flood (or whatever flood that staff determines appropriate) and piping the discharge off-site to an appropriate discharge area (down Peaceful Hill Lane to the creek) that does not drain through the contaminated wrecking yard. The discharge piping would likely be a two inch force main, so the cost would not be extraordinary and these types of systems have certainly been installed on numerous sites across the city and region. Over the Recharge Zone a

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From: John B. Stokes Date: 3/1/12

To: Members of the Zoning and Platting Commission

Attn: Wendy Rhoades

**RE:** Case # C14-2011-0141: 8107 Peaceful Hill Lane

Please find the attached letters in support of a 30-day postponement (to April 3, 2012) from the following interested parties:

Mesa Engineering

 Harvey Williams Elementary School, AISD

Williams Elementary PTA

Friends of Williams Elementary

Austin Heritage Tree Foundation

Peaceful Hill Preservation League

Hope 4 Peaceful Gardens

League of Bicycling Voters

Peggy Maceo

These stakeholders have identified a number of issues that remain problematic, unsettled or inadequately studied. These include:

Numerous Heritage and protected trees incompatible with proposed density

Increase in amount of toxic drainage from existing and proposed auto salvage yards

 Cut-throughs to existing local streets that ZAP has previously deemed unacceptable, and that remain undesirable

Inadequate or marginal access to site by fire equipment and emergency vehicles

 Loss of tree buffers, underbrush and dense canopy in a way that decreases the amount of urban forest, destroys wildlife habitat and degrades ecosystems

By far the most problematic issue is the inevitable hazard to elementary school children due to increased traffic into the Williams Elementary school zone. One proposed exit point to the new development is just 300 ft. from, and a straight shot through, the Williams student drop-off zone. Parents of these school children have stated repeatedly that the current safety conditions are already unacceptable, and that increased traffic should not be permitted without the most rigorous possible traffic study of the entire school zone roadway system.

We wish to emphasize that the above interested parties remain eager to resolve the issues cited here. To that end, we have retained Mesa Engineering to assist us in developing solutions that provide the most appropriate development of the Peaceful Hill environs. We believe that a 30-day postponement will give all parties the time to collect the best available information, and to refine proposals that do justice to this unique property. In this regard, we look forward to good-faith negotiations with the applicant.

Sincerely,

John B. Stokes

#### Rhoades, Wendy

From:

Bruce Melton PE [bmelton@earthlink.net]

Sent:

Monday, February 27, 2012 11:31 AM

To:

Rhoades, Wendy

Subject:

Peaceful Hill Condos

Attachments: Postponement Request 022712.doc

Hi Wendy:

The neighbors are looking for an additional 30 days. They want me to do a layout that they can live with and present it as an alternative. They understand that the layout is nonbinding, but are trying to develop a sense of what would be acceptable and what not. Because the client did not contact them in the due diligence portion of this project, they really deserve 60 days to do "their" due diligence.

Request letter attached--thanks,

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Part Three: http://theragblog.blogspot.com/search?q=%22welcome+to+climate+change%22

Short evaluation of relevant academic articles: "Climate Change Texas The Worst Case Scenario is Happening Now"

and radio interview: http://theragblog.blogspot.com/2012/01/rag-radio-bruce-melton-on-real-world.html Companion video: "Austin Drought and Fires 2011 - My Summer Vacation with Climate Change" http://youtu.be/8b0IFiKGeXc

#### Bruce Melton P.E.

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DATE: TO: January 27, 2012 Wendy Rhoades

Case Manager

City of Austin Development Review

Re:

Peaceful Hill Condominiums

C14-2011-0141

Ms. Rhoades:

The neighbors to the above project and myself would like to request another 30 day extension (to April 3) for the public hearing for this project at ZAP. The neighbors introduction to this case on Superbowl Sunday, and the few days between then and now have left them very little time to be able to organize their thoughts and comprehend even a small part of the development review and entitlement process, much less find a consultant to assist them in these matters. So, very little time remains before the next scheduled ZAP meeting for actual land development consulting work.

We would all like to see a development arise on this parcel that is complementary to all parties concerned. One thing that "neighbors" rarely are able to do in these situations is develop their own "vision" of what would be "complementary" for the proposed property. Preparing a site layout for this parcel, that the neighbors can live with and that they feel is "fair" to the development interests of the land owner/developer, is one of the main tasks that they are attempting to complete. Diligent completion of this task however, requires more time than we have before the next ZAP meeting.

Thanks for your consideration,

Bruce Melton, P.E.

## HARVEY S. WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY

500 MAIRO ST. AUSTIN, TX 78748

PHONE: 512-414-2525 FAX: 512-292-3041

Feb. 28, 2012

Dear Mr. Stokes,

Regretfully we need to cancel the safety meeting at Williams Elementary in our cafeteria scheduled for Wednesday, February 29, 2012. I must follow the three week notification and approval from the district for facility use. The district also charges a \$75.00 fee for organizations to use the facility.

Safety is our utmost concern. I thank you for attempting to inform the community on Friday, Feb. 17, 2012 about upcoming developments, potential changes in the neighborhood, and changing traffic patterns.

When you want to reschedule the event, please give us three weeks notice so we can submit your facilities usage application for approval to the district.

Sincerely,

Joan Bertino
Principal

Joan Betino

### Williams Elementary PTA 500 Mairo Street Austin, TX 78748 512-841-5045

Members of the Zoning and Platting Commission:

The Williams Elementary PTA Board was recently notified by a person in the community about the proposed condominiums to be built at the end of Mairo Street, at the intersection with Peaceful Hill Lane. We are concerned about the increased traffic that could be coming through the Williams Elementary school zones.

It seems that there are three possible routes out of the new proposed development: Peaceful Hill Lane, Shallot Way, and, of most concern to us, Mairo Street. Mairo Street runs right through the Willliams Elementary School drop-off zone and then cuts through directly onto South First Street. Many parents feel traffic conditions are already unacceptable, and are concerned that the increased traffic could further jeopardize the school children and parents in the area.

We want to ensure that the city performs a thorough and extensive traffic study that includes the school zone and all adjacent streets.

Please do not make a hasty decision. Postpone the hearing until April 3, 2012.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Michelle Corleg

Michelle Cortez

Williams PTA Board President michellecortez92@yahoo.com

956-454-4672 (cell)

### Friends of Williams Elementary



Zoning and Platting Commission:

3/1/12

The Friends of Williams Elementary are interested parties affected by the requested zoning change at 8107 Peaceful Hill Lane (C14-2011-0141). At this time, we cannot support any change of the Land Development Code that would zone the property to any classification other than DR, for the following reasons:

- The Plan concludes that there will be NO increase in traffic into the Mairo St. School Zone, even though the plan projects that 50% of car traffic will exit the proposed development via Peaceful Hill Lane, directly opposite Mairo St.
- 2. As designed, the development will create an uninterrupted cut-through directly to South First via Mairo St. School Zone.
- 3. Excessive speed by current traffic through marked School Zones is already unacceptably hazardous. No zoning change should be considered until additional LATM Speed Mitigation measures are applied for, approved and constructed at applicant's expense.
- 4. Proposed plan's traffic assumptions, analysis and conclusions, while legally sufficient, are not rigorous enough to ensure the safety of the current and future population of schoolchildren, cyclists, and pedestrians in and around a school zone. Only a full TIS will provide enough information for a responsible decision regarding school zone safety.

Until the above conditions are met and/or resolved, The Friends of Williams Elementary will oppose any change in zoning.

Sincerely.

John B. Stokes

John B. Stokes Coordinator

#### AUSTIN HERITAGE TREE FOUNDATION



March 1, 2012

Re: Peaceful Hill Condominiums, C14-2011-0141

sent via email

Zoning And Platting Commissioners,

We visited the 8107 Peaceful Hill Lane site today. We understand that the applicant is requesting a zoning change from DR to SF-6. We respectfully request that a tree survey be done for all trees 8 inches in diameter and larger because there are numerous healthy heritage trees in the site that need to be preserved. We request that you postpone this case for 30 days for this tree survey to be done and to further study this data.

It's important that the commissioners review the tree survey before considering a zoning change because the proposed SF-6 zoning is a high density zoning that will impact the trees. Having this information prior to granting the zoning change will allow the commissioners to evaluate the effect of the zoning change on the trees on site, and decide on the most suitable zoning change that the site can sustain while preserving as many trees as possible, especially protected and heritage trees. This tree survey will also allow the applicant to design a much more sustainable development that fits better with the neighborhood and community.

The tree survey should show the location of all trees 8 inches in diameter and larger, the tree species, diameter at DBH and the critical root zone (CRZ). This tree survey is required for site plans submitted for Environmental Review, so it will not be an additional cost to the applicant.

There are many heritage trees in the site, in good health and of good shape. We only walked a small part of the site, and yet, we quickly identified 4 healthy heritage trees, of which 2 had a diameter larger than 30 inches. There were 2 live oaks with diameters at DBH of 33 and 34 inches respectively. There were a live oak and a pecan with diameters larger than 24 inches. Removal of any heritage tree 30 inches or larger will require a variance through a public process.

Sincerely,

Michael Fossum
Executive Director
Austin Heritage Tree Foundation

512-739-5472 Austin, TX

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#### Peaceful Hill Preservation League 8200 Peaceful Hill Lane Austin TX 78748

To: Wendy Rhoades, Planning & Development and Review Department Case #C14-2011-0141

Wendy:

This is to inform you that, due to family illness, I am temporarily stepping aside as Coordinator for the PHPL. I remain committed to protecting or neighborhood, but for the time being, I will be turning over most responsibilities to John Stokes.

I still wish to address the commission and city council regarding my previous child safety and overdevelopment concerns, and to participate more in developing our neighborhood recommendations and responses. As it is, I have only been able to attend one small PTA meeting, and will miss an upcoming Special Traffic Safety meeting at Williams Elementary School. I also have had to miss important recent neighborhood meetings.

However, I was able to collate and crosscheck our petitions (homeowners on your list vs. actual signatures). We are well past the 20% figure. John says he will hand deliver these early this week.

I am eager to participate in the zoning process and anticipate that I will be much more available in a few weeks. I am requesting a postponement until April 3<sup>rd</sup> so that I can continue to contribute to our neighborhood and the zoning process.

Thanks for your consideration.

Andrea Palpant

# Hope 4 Peaceful Gardens

RE:

Request for Postponement of March 6 Hearing Case C14-2011-0141 – Peaceful Hill Condominiums

Dear Planning Committee Members,

As President of the Hope4PeacefulGardens interest group, I respectfully request a postponement of the hearing currently scheduled for March 6, 2012 until April 3, 2012. This request is made on behalf of homeowners and residents of Parkridge Gardens and surrounding neighborhoods, who will be impacted by this proposed development.

We need more time to study the effects on drainage to surrounding properties, on citizen safety (particularly the safety of our school children), and on other relevant concerns, so that we may present you with all the necessary facts to aid you in your decision-making.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Karen "Jody" Mattingly Hope4PeacefulGardens



### League of Bicycling Voters

Tom Wald, Executive Director PO Box 1395 | Austin, TX 78767 | 512-203-7626 tom@lobv.org

February 27, 2012

Sent via email

To: City of Austin

Planning & Development and Review Department

ATTN: Wendy Rhoades RE: Case #C14-2011-0141

Ms. Rhoades:

We have recently become aware of the request for a zoning change cited above. Initial information provided to us indicates that the change could potentially affect bicyclist access, usability and safety.

We were just last week able to get basic information regarding the proposed changes. We wish to consult with our members, local cyclists and area residents regarding our initial concerns, questions and recommendations. Among our interests:

- To perform a full TIA (Traffic Impact Analysis): This will show what impact the additional motor vehicle traffic will have on the surrounding streets.
- To negotiate with the developer to add amenities to adjacent or nearby areas, e.g. additional sidewalks, bike lanes, tree planting, building a small park, adding short bike/ped trails, etc.
- To grant public trail easements and construction of bike/ped trails along South Boggy Creek and/or further south between Peaceful Hill Lane and Congress Ave.
- To grant public trail easements and construction of bike/ped trails within the development itself.

We will need additional time to gather more complete information, contact and get member input, and to contact the relevant City officials. With more time, we can also prepare a written response/recommendation to the developer, zoning planners and City Council as needed.

We request a postponement of the scheduled March 6 public hearing to April 3, 2012.

Thank you,

Tom Wald

**Executive Director** 

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March 1, 2012

City of Austin Zoning and Platting Commission

RE: 8107 Peaceful Hill

#### Chair Baker and Commissioners:

I was contacted earlier this week by John Stokes, a resident of Peaceful Hill, and Zoila Vega, of the Austin Heritage Tree Foundation concerning the rezoning and possible development of 8107 Peaceful Hill. They have concerns about the trees on this site.

I visited this site on March 1, 2012 and indeed, there are significant heritage trees on this property. Their location, size and species have not been recorded. I measured several live oaks using a dbh tape at over 30 inches in diameter. On such a large undeveloped tract information about heritage trees and other data, such as slope and critical environmental features, is extremely important to the commission in formulating their decision.

Since apparently this information is currently lacking I believe this case be postponed so that the commissions decision can be better informed.

Please give the stakeholders more time to gather this information. I support their request for a postponement of this case.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Peggy Maceo Urban Forestry Board From: "McDougal, Mike" < Mike. McDougal@austintexas.gov>Subject: Peaceful Hill Condominiums C14-2011-0141

Date: February 27, 2012 3:49:18 PM CST

To: "Scallon, Susan" <Susan.Scallon@austintexas.gov>

Cc: <stokesbio@aol.com>

#### Susan.

I'm speaking with a concerned citizen named John Stokes. There is a property in South Austin (8107 Peaceful Hill Lane) with numerous trees, dense underbrush, bamboo, and well developed canopies. The concerned citizen has brought up issues with potential rezoning of this property that would allow dense development. He is asking City Staff to provide additional information to the Zoning and Platting Commission regarding the impact of the development density on the ecosystem of this property. I have written my standard report for the potential rezoning on this property for the Zoning and Platting Commission. But what are my options for providing additional information and additional recommendations for this property to the Zoning and Platting Commission?

Specifically, the concerned citizen would like to see a few items addressed prior to the potential rezoning of this property, such as: a tree survey; requirements for perimeter tree buffers; protection of heritage trees; and other items that maintain the maximum amount of urban forest and promote ecosystem protection.

Thanks, Mike

Mike McDougal Environmental Review Specialist Senior Land Use Review City of Austin 974-6380

Please note my email address has changed to: mike.mcdougal@austintexas.gov

#### Rhoades, Wendy

From:

John B. Stokes

Sent:

Thursday, May 24, 2012 11:06 AM

To:

Rhoades, Wendy

Subject: request for postponement

Wendy:

I am requesting a postponement of Peaceful Hill Condos c14-2011-0141 until August 2nd:

1 The applicant has apparently hired a lawyer to facilitate neighborhood discussions. I do not yet even know if that is true or who that person may be.

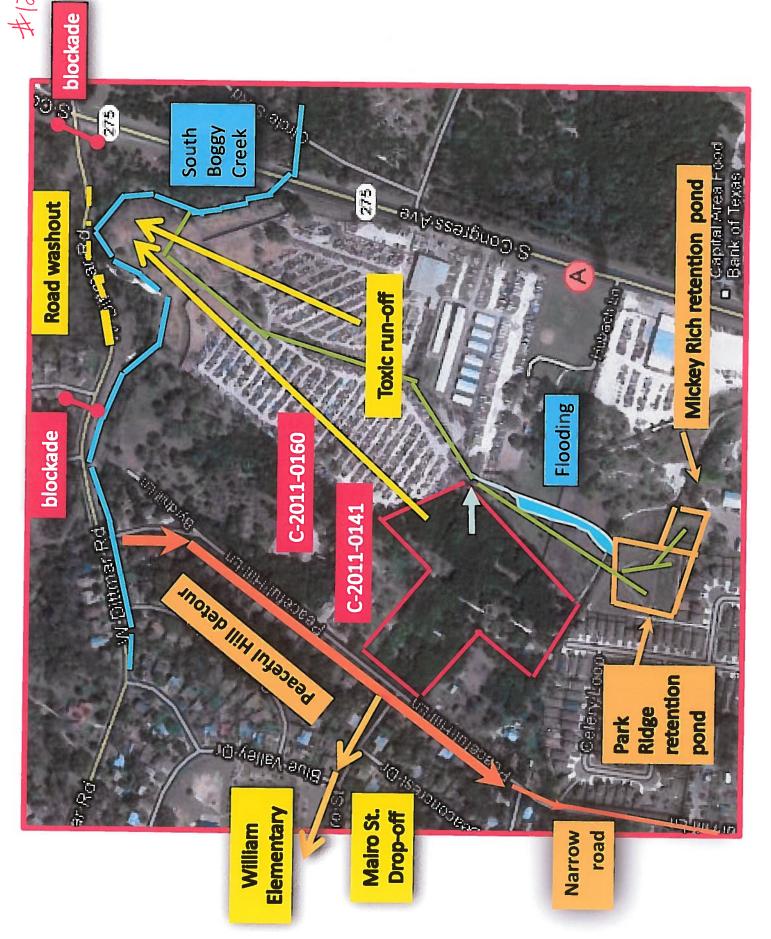
2 Their has been around the school zone a change in the traffic infrastructure regarding detours, which affects school safety traffic patterns. I have contacted many city agencies who have not had a chance to weigh in on this issue, especially the Public Works Dept.

Please contact the owner, and let me know asap.

Thank you.

John B. Stokes

CELL: 914-217-8788 HOME: 512-535-0063 FAX: 512-828-6821



#### **February 5, 2012**

#### To the Austin City Council—

As residents of Peaceful Hill Lane, we are responding to the zoning application for 8107 Peaceful Hill Lane, Case #C14-2011-0141. As a collective, we oppose the proposed rezoning for the following reasons:

- 1. Probable increase in traffic and congestion (we already tolerate frequent speeding on our street)
- 2. Probable loss of more natural wildlife habitat
- 3. Probable overcrowding by excessive residential concentration
- 4. Inappropriate infrastructure (Peaceful Hill is already so narrow that some mailboxes have to be turned sideways for two cars to pass)
- 5. Probable impact on child safety (related to #1)
- 6. Probable impact on our property values
- 7. Probable increase in crime (related to rented condos and transient tenancy)
- 8. Inconsistent neighborhood planning and community development—gross mixed use of commercial and residential
- 9. Probable impact on the overall quiet, cohesive feel of our single-dwelling neighborhood

We urge the city council to oppose this rezoning application. As a community, we would like to retain single-dwelling zoning status (for all properties that border on our neighborhood, including the proposed are of rezoning) rather than see our neighborhood compromised by multi-dwelling properties (condos etc) and all the problems associated with them, as noted above.

We very much appreciate your serious consideration of our request.
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Dear Zoning and Platting Commission,

Thank your for agreeing to postpone reaching a conclusion on this zoning matter. We appreciate your willingness to listen to our concerns.

The Parkridge Gardens Homeowners Association stands firmly behind the residents of the community who would potentially be impacted regarding the proposed zoning change. In light of this zoning change, we want to communicate two specific issues we feel need additional analysis.

#### **Transportation and Safety**

Increased vehicular traffic on Shallot Way poses a significant safety threat for a tight-knit community like ours. With such a young community, with a large group of children (evident by several school buses in area), we are concerned that an alleged 48% increase in vehicular traffic, combined with additional roadway could increase the risk of speeding and potential accidents.

#### Drainage

Additionally, we are concerned with the impact of additional development on the area's drainage. Current property owners adjacent to our property are experiencing drainage issues negatively impacting their quality of life. We are concerned that additional development might contribute to drainage issues with our property as well.

We would like to request further analysis by respective city departments to explore additional accommodations to mitigate these issues.

Name of Organization:PARKRIDGE GARDENS OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC.)

Address of HOA:

Chick Pea Lane

HOA Pres. Signature HOA President

**Howard Heath** 

Contact info 512-809-4008

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Total Square Footage of Buffer:

745976.21

Percentage of Square Footage Owned by Petitioners Within Buffer:

35.09%

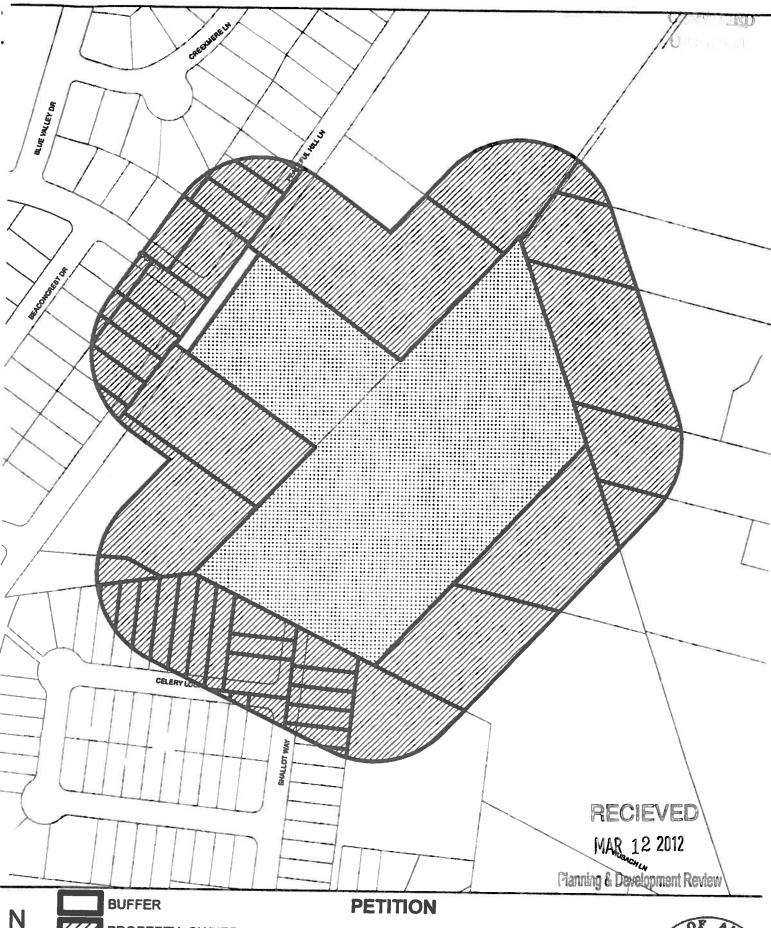


Calculation: The total square footage is calculated by taking the sum of the area of all TCAD Parcels with valid signatures including one-half of the adjacent right-of-way that fall within 200 feet of the subject tract. Parcels that do not fall within the 200 foot buffer are not used for calculation. 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
-1	0425130304	8000 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	SHAGAM PATRICIA M	no	273.28	0.00%
2	0425130305	8002 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	HINSON FELIX MARC	yes	5212.20	0.70%
3	0425130306	8004 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	BOWEN BRIAN P	yes	8823.76	1.18%
4	0425130307	8006 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748 300 MAIRO ST	BEARD BRIAN C & CURAH M WILLIAMS JONES MARK D &	no	9465.95	0.00%
5	0425130308	78748	TAMRA K TORRES	no	15134.16	0.00%
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7	0425130317	CREEKMERE LN 78745 8003	DAVIS TERRY	no	925.36	0.00%
8	0425130318	CREEKMERE LN 78745	RAMON GREGORY & SAN JUANITA	yes	10.02	0.00%
9	0425130501	8100 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	LEWRIGHT JACK L & JESUESA LIFE ESTATE	yes	13865.07	1.86%
10	0425130502	8102 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	MONTERROSO MARTHA MCELHANEY GARY	yes	8319.28	1.12%
11	0425130503	8104 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	LYNN & VIRGINIA BETH	yes	8268.71	1.11%
12	0425130504	8200 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748	DILLEY STEPHEN C & ANDREA P PALPANT CHEUNG WILLIAM	yes	6888.07	0.92%
13	0425130505	8202 PEACEFUL HILL LN 78748 8105	KWOK CHU & ANITA A CHEUNG	no	1741.29	0.00%
14	0425130517	BEACONCREST DR 78748 8103	MURPHY KENNETH	yes	753.92	0.10%
15	0425130518	BEACONCREST DR 78748 8101	HOYT SHELLEY M	yes	1548.74	0.21%
16	0425130519	BEACONCREST DR 78748	VASQUEZ ANDREW	no	2611.72	0.00%
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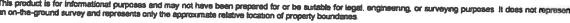


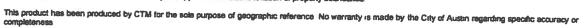


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#### Peaceful Hill Lane/Parkridge Gardens Issues and Solutions

**Environmental Setbacks:** Perimeter tree/vegetative brush setback of 25-30 ft. This will preserve maximum amount of urban forest and ecosystem protection, two issues that are important to the City Council and various environmental groups, as well as the neighborhood. This plan is of advantage to your client as well in that it creates a partial noise buffer between your project and the salvage yard. That noise is already a BIG issue on that property, due to constant beeps and occasional airhorns.

**Visual Setback:** Our understanding is that you intend to build a number of one-story buildings and a lesser amount of two story buildings. We request a breakdown regarding the proportion of each home type (one- versus two-story). In addition, building the two-story structures in the central part of the development will visually screen larger homes and make the one-story homes consistent with the surrounding neighborhoods. As above, this plan is of advantage to your client as well in that it creates a visual buffer between your project and the salvage yard.

**Tree Survey:** We request a formal tree survey of the property be done PRIOR to construction. We understand that this is a site issue in most cases, but we believe that the best possible information regarding tree protection be available to all. Once again, this is favored by the neighborhood, but would also address Austin's ongoing desire to protect heritage and other trees. (Note: this may have been done already, but we haven't heard about any results.)

Traffic Cut-Throughs/Pedestrian and Bike Safety: Our neighborhood remains vigorously opposed to any automobile cut-through from Peaceful Hill Lane to Parkridge Gardens. We remain convinced that while "connectivity" has merit as a general planning concept, an automobile cut-through is wholly inappropriate given the unusual location and configuration of this particular property. We will continue to argue to Council that a gated private road through any development would help

ameliorate many neighborhood concerns re school child safety and several other key issues. This, in turn would greatly enhance the possibility of reaching consensus on other issues. (I will forward an independent engineering/ traffic analysis of why a cut-through is particularly hazardous in this particular case. (See the forthcoming engineering report, under the section entitled *Transportation Analysis/ Evaluation, March 2012*).

To the degree possible, the development should be bike and pedestrian friendly. This would be more likely if a pedestrian friendly sidewalk is built to aid children and parents. In addition, a dedicated bike lane should be included. It is not desirable to have pedestrians and bicyclists trespassing on each other's turf. In addition, both pedestrian/ bike paths should be isolated from car traffic by a short vegetative berm (preferably xeroscaped) to separate bikers and pedestrian traffic from the many autos that will be exiting and cutting through the proposed development.

(Note: Since the intersection of Dittmar Rd. at SouthCongress is washed out and closed for the foreseeable future, new detour traffic through Peaceful Hill makes automobile behavior more unpredictable and pedestrian/bike safety issues more pressing).

Repair of adjacent safety infrastructure: There are two corner sidewalks directly across from your property at peaceful Hill and Mairo Street. I will send you pictures). One is in disrepair and thus not ADA compliant. The other curb is not handicapped accessible at all. We request that both corners be brought up to current ADA standards. (Note: according to the City of Austin, half of all newly constructed ADA ramps are built by private developers.)

Participation in Child Safety/Community Participation Program: This is an preexisting, well-established Public Works Department program in which developers and community members can contribute financially to create funds earmarked for specific neighborhood infrastructure repairs (added ramps, sidewalk repair/replacement, replacing missing sidewalk segments, small landscape buffers, etc. Most of these involve pouring relatively small amounts of concrete, which is easily accomplished - and quite inexpensive - compared to the total cost of proposed construction. We will work with you and Child Safety to develop a set of specs and a cost for a reasonable amount of infrastructure repair.

Speed Mitigation and Cut-Throughs: The likelihood of excess speed through the proposed development is a very large concern by residents of the Peaceful hill neighborhood and Parkridge Gardens. The City of Austin is now very restricted in placing speed mitigation infrastructure (speed tables/humps, stop signs, etc.) due to their newly instituted Local Area Traffic Management regulations and requirements. However, I am informed that a private road created as a result of development is allowed to use any reasonable speed reduction infrastructure they choose. It is only prudent to have AT MINIMUM speed table/stop sign combinations at the Shallot Way and Peaceful Hill exit points. There should also be such other speed mitigation devices placed to discourage non- neighborhood traffic cutting through. In addition "Local Deliveries Only" signs would restrict truck traffic cut-throughs.

**Drainage:** Many members are opposed to ANY development that creates additional runoff through the toxic soil associated with capital hill Salvage yard, which in turn, ends up in Boggy creek. This issue is especially acute now because repair and closure of the washout of West Dittmar and South Congress, which has created a new and significant challenge to watershed protection.

Fortunately, there is a well-established engineering solution that would prevent ANY drainage into the salvage yard. To insure accuracy, I am quoting directly from an engineering analysis by Bruce Melton, P.E., an engineer retained by our neighborhood to advise us in these matters:

#### **Hazardous Material Leaching From the Wrecking Yard:**

It is unfortunate that upstream development has proceeded without regards to the additional runoff coursing through this, what is likely a place where heavy metals and hazardous materials are abundantly spread across the site. This is not meant maliciously, this facility has been

in operation for generations, before many of our current hazardous materials rules and regulations were enacted.

But this does not mean that the accidental or purposeful wasting of hazardous fluids, and indiscriminate leaching of heavy metals has not occurred or will not continue. Before the rules were put into place, used motor oil was commonly disposed of along fence lines to keep the weeds down or used on caliche roads to keep the dust down. Waste anti-freeze and brake fluid were drained into the dirt and asbestos laden brake dust blown and washed off brake pads and parts indiscriminately.

But because these acts were all legal back in the day does not mean the results of these acts are any less hazardous. Nor does it mean that those hazardous materials are not still in the soils of the wrecking yard leaching out with every runoff event. Adding further significant volumes of stormwater runoff from this proposed development compounds that situation even further.

My knowledge knows of no existing precedent to address this sort of serious problem. It is not likely that the site is not contaminated enough to be a superfund site, so then what else is there? The contamination is likely considerable.

This is a decision that the council of an environmentally friendly city should make. A negotiated solution with this developer would include an oversized stormwater facility capable of capturing the 100-year flood (or whatever flood that staff determines appropriate) and piping the discharge off-site to an appropriate discharge area (down Peaceful Hill Lane to the creek.) The discharge piping would likely be a two-inch force main, so the cost would not be extraordinary and these types of systems have certainly been installed on numerous sites across the city and region. Over the Recharge Zone a forcemain piping and irrigation system is virtually required by City rules for every development following current development standards.

**Other Issues:** I have attempted to be as complete as possible in reflecting the major views and issues raised by our neighborhood, however I may have missed some. I will apprise you ASAP if additional issues or solutions come to light.

Thanks for your time and consideration.

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