

#### **ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET**

<u>CASE</u>: C14-2013-0025 Spicewood Springs Homes <u>Z. P. C. DATE</u>: 05/21/13

ADDRESS: 4101 Spicewood Springs Road AREA: 5.43 acres

**APPLICANT:** Harold Silberberg **AGENT:** PSW Real Estate

(Ryan Diepenbbrock)

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AREA: N/A CAPITOL VIEW: No

T.I.A.: Waived – See the Transportation HILL COUNTRY ROADWAY: No

Reviewer's comments.

WATERSHED: Shoal Creek DESIRED DEVELOPMENT ZONE: Yes

**ZONING FROM:** SF-3 Family Residence

**ZONING TO:** SF-6 Townhouse Condominium Residence.

#### **SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends SF-6-CO, Townhouse Condominium Residence, Conditional Overlay. The Conditional Overlay would prohibit access to Comfort Cove and Moritz Lane and limit trips to 2,000 trips per day.

#### **ZONING & PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

#### **DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:**

The property is currently developed with a single family residence with a guest house and pool. The applicant is proposing a thirteen unit townhome/condo complex and the original owner will retain the existing house on the back of the property. This zoning case is located on a 5.4 acre lot south of Spicewood Springs Road and is not located within the boundaries of a neighborhood planning area. Surrounding land uses includes an office building to the north on Spicewood Springs Road, single family houses to the south, duplexes to the east, and single family houses and office buildings to the west. The property is located within the boundaries of the Barton Creek Contributing Zone, as identified on the Imagine Austin's Growth Concept Map, found in the Image Austin Comprehensive Plan (IACP). However, the overall goal of the IACP is to achieve "complete communities" across Austin, where housing, services, retail, jobs, entertainment, health care, schools, parks, and other daily needs are within a convenient walk or bicycle ride of one another. Page 107 of the IACP states, "While most new development will be absorbed by centers and corridors, development will happen in other areas within the city limits to serve neighborhood needs and create complete communities. Infill development can occur as redevelopment of obsolete office, retail, or residential sites or as new development on vacant land within largely developed areas. New commercial, office, larger apartments, and institutional uses such as schools and churches, may also be located in areas outside of centers and corridors. The design of new development should be sensitive to and complement its context. It should also be connected by sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and transit to the surrounding area and the rest of the city. It should also be connected by sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and transit to the surrounding area and the rest of the city. The Growth Concept Map not only guides where Austin may accommodate new residents and jobs but also reflects the



community intent to direct growth away from environmentally sensitive areas including, but not limited to, the recharge and contributing zones of the Barton Springs segment of the Edwards Aquifer, and to protect the character of neighborhoods by directing growth to areas identified by small area plans." The following Imagine Austin policies are taken from Chapter 4 of the IACP, which specifically discusses the promotion of a variety of housing types:

- LUT P22 Protect Austin's natural resources and environmental systems by limiting land use and transportation development in sensitive environmental areas and preserving areas of open space.
- **H P1.** Distribute a variety of housing types throughout the City to expand the choices able to meet the financial and lifestyle needs of Austin's diverse population.
- **H P5.** Promote a diversity of land uses throughout Austin to allow a variety of housing types including rental and ownership opportunities for singles, families with and without children, seniors, persons with disabilities, and multi-generational families.
- N P1. Create complete neighborhoods across Austin that have a mix of housing types and land uses, affordable housing and transportation options, and access to schools, retail, employment, community services, and parks and recreation options.

Based on the property being located adjacent to nearby subdivisions, and the Imagine Austin policies referenced above that supports a variety of housing types throughout Austin, staff believes that the proposed residential use is consistent with the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

## BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

1. The proposed zoning should be consistent with the goals and objectives of the City Council.

Granting the proposed zoning would be in keeping with the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

# **EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:**

	ZONING	LAND USES Single family residential		
SITE	SF-3			
NORTH	LO	Office building		
SOUTH	PUD	Single family residential Single family residential		
EAST	CBD-CURE			
WEST	PUD/LO	Single family residential/Office building		

### **CASE HISTORIES:**

CASE NUMBER	REQUEST	PLANNING COMMISSION	Approved PUD [Vote: 7-0]	
C814-73-004 Old Town East PUD	From SF-2 to PUD	Approved PUD [Vote: 7-0]		
C14-86-255 From LR to P		Approved P [Vote: 7-0]	Approved P [Vote: 7-0]	



# **NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION:**

- Austin Neighborhood Council
- Northwest Austin Civic Association

#### **SCHOOLS:**

Hill Elementary School, Murchison Middle School, Anderson High School

#### SITE PLAN:

- 1. Any new commercial development is subject to Subchapter E. Design Standards and Mixed Use. Additional comments will be made when the site plan is submitted.
- 2. Compatibility Standards will apply if the use proposed on this property is SF-6 or less restrictive, due to the adjacent single family use.
- 3. This property is within the Neighborhood Restricted Parking Area. Ordinance # 030171-131.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL:**

- 1. The site is 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. 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.
- 4. 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.

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# **TRANSPORTATION:**

TR1. The Austin Metropolitan Area Transportation Plan calls for 140 feet of right-of-way for Spicewood Springs Road. If the requested zoning is granted for this site, then 70 feet of right-of-way from the existing centerline should be dedicated for Spicewood Springs Road according to the Transportation Plan [LDC, Sec. 25-6-51 and 25-6-55] at the time of subdivision and/or site plan.

TR2. A traffic impact analysis was waived for this case because the applicant agreed to limit the intensity and uses for this development. If the zoning is granted, development should be limited through a conditional overlay to less than 2,000 vehicle trips per day [LDC, 25-6-117].

TR3. Existing Street Characteristics:

Name	ROW	Pavement	Class	Sidewalk?	Bus Route?	Bike Route?
Spicewood Springs Road	varies	MAD 4	Arterial	Yes	No	No

CITY COUNCIL DATE: June 20th, 2013

**ACTION:** 

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1<sup>S</sup>

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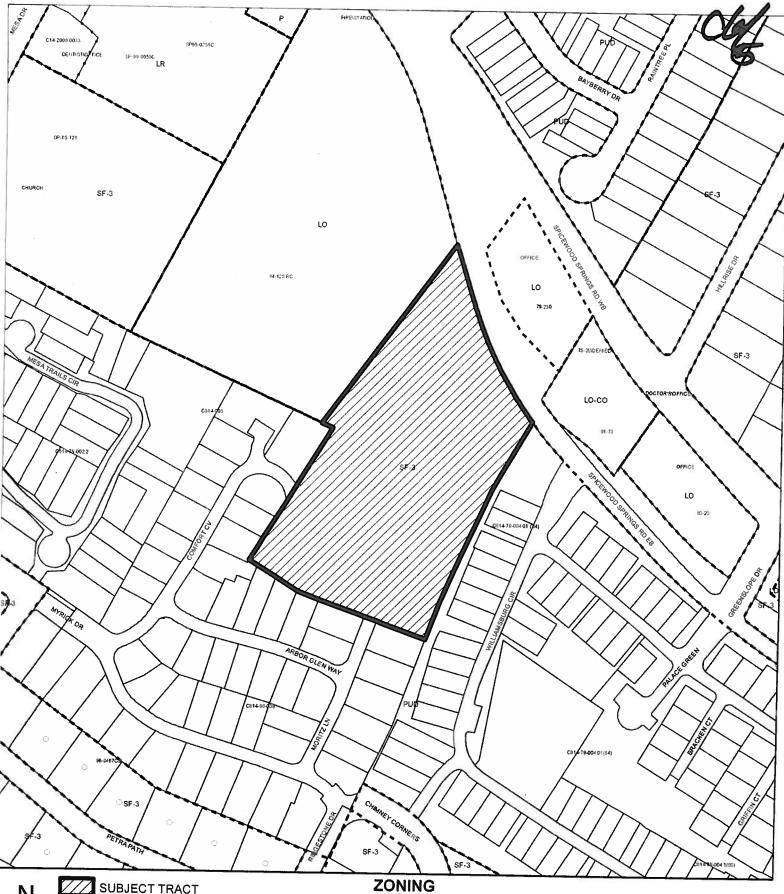
**ORDINANCE NUMBER:** 

CASE MANAGER:

Clark Patterson

Clark.patterson@ci.austin.tx.us

**PHONE:** 974-7691



SUBJECT TRACT

ZONING CASE#: C14-2013-0025

PENDING CASE



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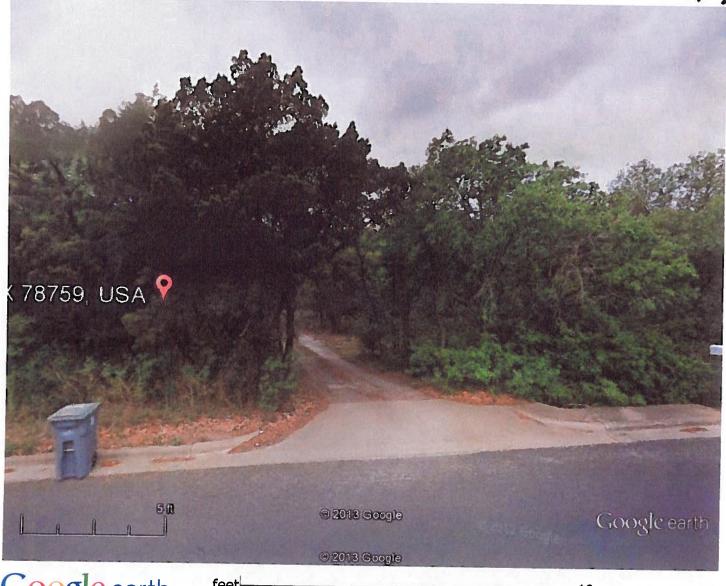


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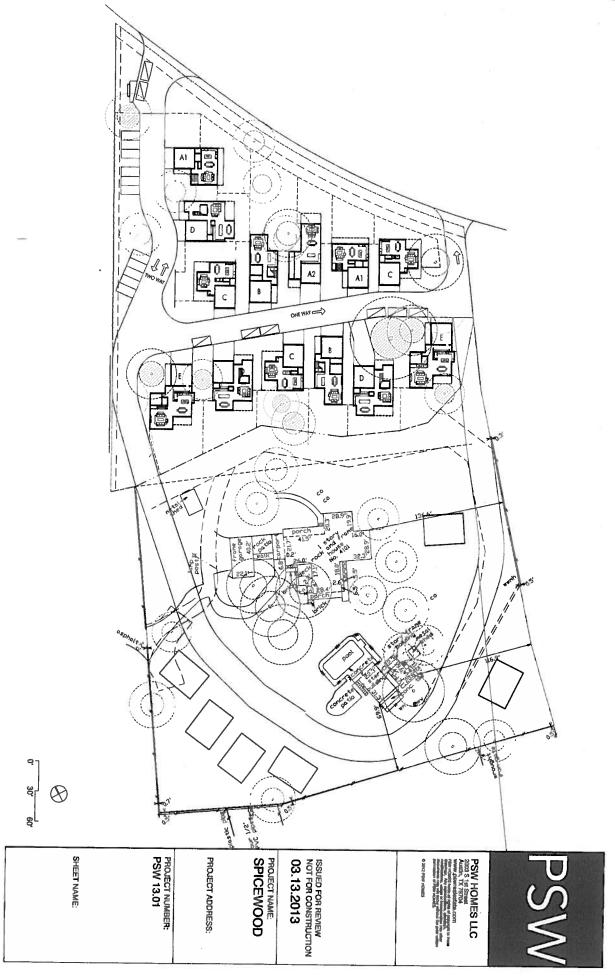
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#### Patterson, Clark

From:

Eduardo Garza deduardo Como destate.com>

Sent:

Friday, April 26, 2013 1:42 PM

To: Subject: Patterson, Clark FW: Mesa Forest

Clark:

Here's an email that I received from the president of NWACA recently. Would this email suffice as written confirmation from the neighborhood association, or would you need something more formal?

Thanks, Eduardo Garza PSW Real Estate

From: Ernest Saulmon [mailto:ernie.saulmon@saulmon@

Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2013 11:17 AM

**To:** Eduardo Garza

Cc: Ann Denkler; J. RyanDiepenbrock

Subject: Re: Mesa Forest

I'm in and out so anytime would be fine, but I can tell you right here. The Northwest Austin Civic Association could fine no reason to object to your zoning change request. In fact they want to compliment PSW Real Estate on their involvement with the local community organizations like NWACA and the Home Owners to address their concerns. Your commitment not to use the gates was a big part of this. Call if you have any questions and need more information.

On Thu, Apr 11, 2013 at 6:40 AM, Eduardo Garza < <u>eduardo@pswrealestate.com</u>> wrote: Thank you, Ann.

Ernie, would there be a good time to call you to discuss this today? We'd really like to hear how it went and what concerns might have been raised.

Thanks, Eduardo Garza

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 10, 2013, at 5:30 PM, Ann Denkler < milden de la wrote:

The new President of the Homeowner's Association just south of the tract the Silverbergs are proposing to develop is:

Darlyn Cartwright darlyncortwright C 708-0100.

I'm not able to fill you in about the meeting tonight. Ernie will be briefing the board and can answer any questions you might have about the meeting or the position they took.



#### Patterson, Clark

From:

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Sent:

Friday, May 03, 2013 1:24 PM

To:

Eduardo Garza

Cc:

'Ernest Saulmon'; NWACA\_Richard Anton; Patterson, Clark

Subject:

NWACA: Mesa Forest

Mr. Garza,

I've copied the case-manager on this email.

The Northwest Austin Civic Association Board reviewed the plans for the Mesa Forest rezoning and took no action to support or oppose the rezoning.

They were pleased that the owner and yourself shared your plans for the property.

Cordially,

Ann Denkler
Northwest Austin Civic Association
Zoning Committee Chair

cc: Richard Anton, President, NWACA

On 5/2/2013 5:39 PM, Eduardo Garza wrote:

Thanks, Ann.

Since there is no opposition from your neighbors, would it be possible to get a letter from NWACA stating where you stand on the case? It would not have to be anything lengthy, just a quick letter, signed by either you or Ernie stating that you've discussed the matter with your neighbors and there is no opposition to our development plan.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss this first.

Thank you,

Eduardo Garza **PSW Real Estate** 2003 S. 1st Austin, Texas 78704

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