



BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Emma S Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Advisory Board

Recommendation Number: (20140305-007) : Protected View Corridor

Whereas the Rainey Street Historic District was created by Austin City Council to insure the area is remembered for its historic character as one of the first Mexican American neighborhoods of Austin,

Whereas the Emma S Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center is the cultural and symbolic anchor for the newly created City of Austin Rainey Street Historic District which will host the future Rainey Street History Center somewhere within the district and offer other historic landmark amenities,

Whereas the Emma S Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center is rooted in the cultural heritage and forty year activism of the Mexican American community of east Austin,

Whereas the Hispanic community of Austin has expressed an intense interest in preserving the sight lines of the Emma S Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center from obstruction by development along the main entrance on River Street,

Whereas the preservation of the view from the main entrance of the Emma S Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center eastward along River Street as a symbolic gesture to its historic roots in the East Austin Hispanic community would create a grand entrance approach,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Emma S Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center Advisory Board recommends that city council direct the Planning Commission to begin the process to help preserve a protected view corridor east along River Street from the entrance of the ESBMACC to the west frontage road of Interstate Highway 35 on both north and south sides of River Street to the extent possible.

Date of Approval: MARCH 5, 2014

Record of the vote: (Unanimous on a 7-0 vote, 4-3 vote with names of those voting no listed)

Attest: 

(Staff or board member can sign)

Motioned to approve:  
Juan Oyervides, Chair  
Velia Sanchez-Ruiz, Member  
Cassie Smith, Member  
Anna Maciel, Member

Opposed:  
David Carroll, Co-Chair