RESTRICTIVE COVENANT AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET

CASE:

C14-2009-0151(RCA)

Shoal Creek Walk

P.C. DATE: November 12, 2014

October 28, 2014

ADDRESS:

835 West 6th Street

AREA:

2.6 acres

OWNER:

Schlosser Development (Bradley Schlosser)

AGENT:

A. Glasco Consulting (Alice Glasco)

ZONING:

DMU-CURE

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the restrictive covenant amendment, with conditions.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

November 12, 2014: TO GRANT RESTRICTIVE COVENANT AMENDMENT AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, APPROVED ON CONSENT 8-0-1 (S. Oliver- 1st, A. Hernandez- 2nd; L. Varghese- Absent)

October 28, 2014: TO GRANT POSTPONEMENT AS REQUESTED BY APPLICANT TO NOVEMBER 12, 2014, ON CONSENT (8-0) [J. STEVENS- 1ST, A. HERNANDEZ- 2ND; B. ROARK- ABSENT]

ISSUES:

The Applicant proposes removing one of the restrictions included in the public restrictive covenant (RC) that was created when the property was rezoned to DMU-CURE in 2010 (City File # C14-2009-0151). Please refer to Exhibit A (Restrictive Covenant). The Applicant proposes removing the following requirement:

"Green roofs. At least 20,000 square feet of green roof design shall be provided as a means to improve the quality of the air, reduce stormwater runoff and improve energy efficiency of the structure beneath. The green roof system shall be designed according to City approved requirements and standards."

In lieu of the green roof requirement, the Applicant proposes an alternative water quality compliance program designed to City specifications. No other changes to the DMU-CURE zoning or other RC restrictions are proposed with this request.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The subject property is located at the southeast corner of West 6th Street and Bowie Street, and is currently developed with a parking lot. The eastern boundary of the property is formed by Shoal Creek. Across Bowie Street to the west is Whole Foods grocery, which is zoned DMU. Across 6th Street to the north is the GSD&M headquarters and surface parking lot, both zoned DMU. To the south, across West 5th Street, are a bar and a mixed-use apartment building, zoned DMU and DMU-CURE-CO, respectively. The property is also within the boundaries of the Capitol View Corridor. Please refer to *Exhibits B and C (Zoning Map and Aerial Exhibit)*.

Zoning History. The green roof requirement was one of several site development requirements attached with a public RC when the property was rezoned to DMU-CURE in 2010. CURE zoning is designed to provide flexibility and incentives for development within the downtown area, including changes to site development standards and waivers from development fees. Projects offer improved development standards and other benefits in exchange. The 2010 zoning case included CURE zoning because the Applicant wanted to achieve a higher floor-to area ratio (FAR). Since the site is significantly impacted by floodplain and the Capitol View Corridor, the Applicant worked with the City to develop a list of items to offer as community benefits. In addition to the green roof requirement, the restrictive covenant included green building, Great Streets, open space, and hike and bike trail requirements.

Since the 2010 project was planned immediately adjacent to Shoal Creek and so close to Lady Bird Lake, the Applicant agreed to use an innovative green roof system with a rainwater harvesting system to replace the standard sedimentation-sand filtration system. Such a system would provide multiple benefits for the site as describes in the restrictive covenant, "improve the quality of the air, reduce stormwater runoff and improve energy efficiency of the structure beneath."

<u>Amendment.</u> In lieu of the green roof requirement, the Applicant proposes an alternative water quality compliance program designed to City specifications. Please refer to *Exhibit D (Applicant Letter)*.

At time of this report, some details have not been finalized, but Staff recognizes that the intent of the original restrictive covenant may be met through other methods than a green roof. Additionally, a site plan is currently under review for a building on a portion of the site that will be five (5) stories high. There are no plans to make the rooftop accessible to the public, and the building elevation may preclude visibility of a green roof from nearby buildings. The Applicant and Staff are working on a phased plan that would allow the possibility that the vegetative area be provided on a green roof or at ground level.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff supports the restrictive covenant amendment, with conditions as outlined below. The conditions reflect input from Planning and Development Review and Watershed Protection Department, and are intended to provide flexibility while upholding the goals and priorities of the original restrictive covenant.

- 1. A water quality pond shall be sized to accommodate 100% of site stormwater; due to site engineering constraints, a minimum of 93.3% of the site's impervious cover shall be treated in the pond using a sedimentation-sand filtration system. The remaining 6.7% of stormwater volume will be addressed via a fee-in-lieu payment.
- 2. A phased vegetation plan shall be provided that allows the option of rooftop or ground level plantings. Phase 1 shall provide a minimum of 20,000 square feet of green roof and/or ground level vegetation. This riparian planting area would provide natural function (e.g., bank protection, habitat, urban heat island abatement, etc.) equivalent to a green roof of the same size. Phase 2 provisions will be addressed prior to City Council amendment of the restrictive covenant.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

| | ZONING | LAND USES |
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| Site | DMU-CURE | Parking lot |
| North | DMU | Office, Parking lot |
| South | DMU-CURE-CO | Mixed use building, Cocktail lounge |
| East | P, DMU, CBD-CO | Shoal Creek Greenbelt, Commercial Liquor Sales, |
| | | Restaurant, Condominiums |
| West | DMU | Retail |

CITY COUNCIL DATE & ACTION:

November 6, 2014: This item was postponed on consent to November 20, 2014 at the staff's request on a 6-0 vote. Council Member Spelman was absent.

November 20, 2014: This item was postponed on consent to December 11, 2014 at the staff's request on a 7-0 vote.

December 11, 2014:

ORDINANCE READINGS:

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

<u>CASE MANAGER:</u> Heather Chaffin e-mail: heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov

PHONE: 974-2122



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Zoning Case No. C14-2009-0151

RESTRICTIVE COVENANT

OWNER:

Shoal Creek Walk, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership

ADDRESS:

601 North Lamar Blvd., Suite 301, Austin, Texas 78703

CONSIDERATION: Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid by the City of Austin to the Owner, the receipt and

sufficiency of which is acknowledged.

PROPERTY:

A 2.6 acre tract of land, more or less, being a portion of Lots 1-3 Block 5, Subdivision of Raymond Plateau, Outlot 11, Division Z, City of Austin, and a 4,940 square feet tract of land being a partial vacation of the Bowie Street right-of-way, the tracts of land being more particularly described by metes and bounds in Exhibits "A" and "B" incorporated into this

covenant.

WHEREAS, the Owner (the "Owner", whether one or more), of the Property and the City of Austin have agreed that the Property should be impressed with certain covenants and restrictions:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is declared that the Owner of the Property, for the consideration, shall hold, sell and convey the Property, subject to the following covenants and restrictions impressed upon the Property by this restrictive covenant ("Agreement"). These covenants and restrictions shall run with the land, and shall be binding on the Owner of the Property, its heirs, successors, and assigns.

- 1. All residential and commercial development shall comply with Austin Energy Green Building Program (GBP) for a minimum two-star rating.
- 2. The Owner shall design and construct streetscape improvements in full compliance with the City of Austin Great Streets design criteria as it exists May 2010. Design, permitting and construction of streetscape improvements will be at Owner's expense. The Owner shall coordinate the design of the streetscape improvements with the Urban Design Section of the Planning and Development Review Department. The Urban Design Section shall inspect and approve the streetscape improvements prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.
- 3. Green roofs. At least 20,000 square feet of green roof design shall be provided as a means to improve the quality of the air, reduce stormwater runoff and improve energy efficiency of the structure beneath. The green roof system shall be designed according to City approved requirements and standards.

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4. Open Space. If building development on the Property exceeds 482,687 square feet of gross leasable area, the Owner/Developer shall provide the following:

At least thirty thousand (30,000) square feet of the total development on the Property shall be provided as green and/or open space (hardscape and/or landscape) accessible for public use. At least 5,000 square feet of green/open space shall be along Shoal Creek.

5. Bowie Street Bike Lane.

- a) Prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for any phase of the project, Owner/Developer shall design and install a five foot monolithic curb bicycle lane on the east side of Bowie Street between 5th and 6th Streets. Design and construction shall be as generally depicted on Exhibit "C" attached to this Agreement.
- b) Installation shall include all necessary signing and striping, and sealcoating of any remaining and existing asphalt.
- 6. Shoal Creek Improvements. Development under the current approved and released site plan, SP-06-0588C, as approved on December 28, 2007, or any successor site plan approved and released for development of the Property, shall include improvements to the Shoal Creek hike and bike trail as specified under SP-06-0588C. During maintenance and construction of the trail between West 5th and West 6th streets, signs shall be provided to direct pedestrian and bike traffic to alternate routes.
- 7. If any person or entity shall violate or attempt to violate this Agreement, it shall be lawful for the City of Austin to prosecute proceedings at law or in equity against such person or entity violating or attempting to violate such Agreement, to prevent the person or entity from such actions, and to collect damages for such actions.
- 8. If any part of this Agreement is declared invalid, by judgment or court order, the same shall in no way affect any of the other provisions of this Agreement, and such remaining portion of this Agreement shall remain in full effect.
- If at any time the City of Austin fails to enforce this Agreement, whether or not any
 violations of it are known, such failure shall not constitute a waiver or estoppel of the
 right to enforce it.
- 10. This Agreement may be modified, amended, or terminated only by joint action of both (a) a majority of the members of the City Council of the City of Austin, and (b) by the owner(s) of the Property, or a portion of the Property, subject to the modification, amendment or termination at the time of such modification, amendment or termination.



| EXECUTED on May | , 2010. |
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| | OWNER: |
| | Shoal Creek Walk, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership |
| | By: Shoal Creek Walk GP, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability company, its remeral partner. By: |
| | Bradley Schlosser, its Manager |
| APPROVED AS TO FREM: Assistant City Attorney City of Austin | |
| THE STATE OF TEXAS | 9 9 |
| COUNTY OF TRAVIS | § |
| This instrument was acknowledg Bradley Schlosser, Manager of Shoal Cre general partner of Shoal Creek Walk, Lto partnership. | ed before me on, 2010, by sek Walk GP, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability company i., a Texas limited partnership, on behalf of said limited |
| LISA R. ROSE Notery Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires March 08, 2015 | Notary Public, State of Texas |

After Recording, Please Return to: City of Austin Department of Law P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767-1088 Attention: Diana Minter, Paralegal

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