



PARK PLACE Airport Parking

February 10, 2015

Austin City Council Via Email

Re:

Agenda Items 77 and 78 – Postponement Request

Dear Council Members:

My family owns the Airport Fast Park located at Ben White and Spirit of Texas Drive. We have operated Airport Fast Park since 2003, and have served as an important option for many Austinites. Recently, I learned that Scott Airport Parking was awarded a bid to lease public property that is part of the Airport Master Development Plan. I was surprised to learn this since we were not invited to bid. Nevertheless, more surprising was the fact that the City was seeking to rezone the property to Aviation Services ("AV"), which would exempt the property from site development regulations, application of Subchapter E, and limit the type of uses that could be put on the property in the future. Because these properties (Agenda Items 77 and 78) may be within the Airport Master Development Plan, the private off-airport commercial parking vendor (Scott Airport Parking), will also be the beneficiary of several automatic variances found in Ordinance No. 20120628-014.

At this late stage, to afford appropriate evaluation by this Council, we would ask that Items 77 and 78 be postponed for at least 30 days to allow you an opportunity to determine the type of development standards that should be applied to these sites next to the Colorado River; the way in which the bidding for the opportunity to develop on public land was conducted and should be conducted; and the appropriate zoning to encourage flexible commercial zoning in the future at these sites.

Providing off-airport parking for Austinites is highly competitive. We would simply ask that each commercial enterprise be treated equitably. I am available to answer any questions concerning our facilities and operations; my phone number is 513-241-0429 x1111, and my cell phone number is 513-304-4266.

Regards,

AIRPORT FAST PARK

Manuel Chavez III