

40568 Austin City Council Item ID Agenda Number 43.

2/26/2015 Planning and Development Review **Meeting Date:** Department:

Subject

Consider an appeal by DeWayne Lofton of a Planning Commission decision to approve a conditional use permit (Springdale Multifamily, SPC-2014-0086C, located at 5605 Springdale Road). (THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THIS ITEM WAS HELD AND CLOSED ON JANUARY 29, 2015).

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing	
Language:	
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Andy Linseisen, (512) 974-2239; Nikki Hoelter, (512) 974-2863.
Information:	
Boards and	October 28, 2014 – Approved by the Planning Commission on a vote of 8-0 with
Commission	Commissioner Roark absent.
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MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

Interested Party DeWayne Lofton is appealing the Planning Commission's October 28, 2014 decision to approve a Conditional Use Permit site plan SPC-2014-0086C, Springdale Multifamily, located at 5605 Springdale Road. Mr. Lofton is an interested party by merits of speaking at the Planning Commission hearing on this case, and by being an officer in a neighborhood association (Pecan Springs/Springdale Hills Neighborhood Association).

The conditional overlay on the zoning for this site required that any multifamily use for this property obtain a commission-approved Conditional Use permit; Multifamily use is normally administratively reviewed and approved. This site consists of two tracts, zoned GR-MU-CO-NP, and MF-3-CO-NP. This site plan proposes 290 residential units, all of them to be constructed on the GR-MU-CO-NP tract, which fronts on Springdale Road. The MF-3-CO-NP tract is proposed to remain undeveloped, mostly dedicated as a drainage easement. The entire project has been designed and approved as meeting the affordability requirement of a SMART Housing project.

Mr. Lofton's appeal contends that (1) the case was not fully vetted due to the extreme late night hearing (the case was not discussed by the Commission until nearly 2:00 a.m.) discussion was further limited in timing, was rushed through and not given proper consideration; (2) the approval of the plan does not comply with the stated goals and objectives of the neighborhood plan, specifically, home ownership; and (3) the lack of a required Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) does not fully reflect the overall impact that this development has on the increased traffic and it will cause increased traffic in an already stressed and congested section of Springdale Road. This project will generate approximately 1800 trips per day; a TIA is required at 2000 trips per day.