

September 24, 2015

Historic Landmark Commission c/o Austin Historic Preservation Office Planning and Zoning Department PO Box 1088 Austin, TX 78767

RE: Historic Landmark Commission Initiation of Historic Zoning on Structure Located at 1101 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Dear Historic Landmark Commission Members,

It has come to our attention that Liz Purcell is again requesting initiation of historic zoning on a portion of Capital Metro's property located at 1101 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street. As the owner of the property, Capital Metro is opposed to the initiation of this rezoning.

Both the Texas Historical Commission and the City of Austin ("City") Historic Preservation Office have reviewed all of the buildings on the eleven acre property owned by Capital Metro. Through these reviews, it was determined that the structure located at 1101 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street does not meet the requirements of historic designation. The only structure the City Historic Preservation Office recommended be protected is the structure located at 414 Waller known as the Pine Street Station and Humble Oil Depot. The Historic Landmark Commission voted unanimously to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness to relocate this structure at the July 27, 2015 meeting.

Capital Metro has been working with the community on redevelopment plans for this site for over 10 years. We ask, again, that you not initiate historic zoning on this property.

Sincerely.

Linda Watson

President and CEO

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cc: Capital Metro Board of Directors

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