

As a Christian we also must assume that the property is used in conjunction with Christian beliefs and values. Why can somebody who call himself a Christian and at the same time do something deemed illegal? This doesn't add up.

[REDACTED]

Our second concern is that our property values in the entire neighborhood may certainly become negatively influenced by having to endure constant and regular noise from the amphitheatre. We live in the neighborhood since 1994 and paid more than \$100.000 in property taxes. We want to make sure our properties keep their values, because otherwise it could bring financial hardships to potential sellers.

We like you and the BOA to consider those aspects very seriously in your decision making process and hope that the decision will be based on following the laws as they are outlined in the City Codes.

Best regards,
Juergen & Maria Lutz

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[REDACTED]

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Heldenfels, Leane

From: Jamie Eveleigh [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 9:08 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

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Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

I am writing with respect to case C15-2015-0147, regarding LifeAustin Outdoor Amphitheater located at 8901 SH 71 West, Austin, TX 78736.

I am requesting that the Board of Adjustment please grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. Please also direct staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the Board of Adjustment.

Regards,

Jamie Eveleigh
Covered Bridge Drive

Covered Bridge

Property Owners Association

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Board of Adjustment HEARING: LIFE AUSTIN OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER

Residents who live in neighborhoods surrounding the LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater have expressed their concerns and opposition to the outdoor amphitheater for more than seven years. Two neighborhoods filed appeals regarding some of the unprecedented determinations made by city staff that allowed the outdoor amphitheater to be built.

It's important to note that under City code, *if a building permit or certificate of occupancy is determined to have been issued in error, it can be suspended and reversed by the City of **Austin Board of Adjustment (BOA)** regardless of the stage of building that has occurred.* LifeAustin and its pastor, Randy Phillips, were personally informed and in writing about this possibility well before they broke ground on building the outdoor amphitheater. Instead, they built the amphitheater and assumed the risk that they might not be able to use it in the future.

A hearing before the BOA is set for **November 9, 2015**; however, the neighborhoods have asked for a **postponement to December 9, 2015**. Please take a minute to share your personal experiences, opinions and/or areas of concern in an email to the BOA. Your email should go to **Leane Heldenfelds**, the staff liaison for the BOA. Ms. Heldenfelds' email address is Leane.Heldenfelds@austintexas.gov

Please reference: 1) the case number: **C15-2015-0147**, and
2) the address for LifeAustin: **8901 SH 71 West**

If you can, please send your email before November 8, 2015 so the BOA members will know on November 9th how many people are interested in the appeal. Please do not attempt to communicate directly with any member of the BOA. All communications must be sent to Ms. Heldenfelds.

Background Facts

- In May 2015, Court of Appeals overturned trial court decision as to HCE HOA. Court of Appeals' opinion said that trial court cannot decide standing to sue until BOA first decides standing issue.

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City's Approval of Outdoor Amphitheater Building Permit

- HCE HOA and CB POA filed appeal of City's and Guernsey's "interpretation" approving a building permit for LifeAustin's outdoor amphitheater.
- Staff refused to forward building permit appeal to BOA.
- In late 2012, staff sought an amendment to City Code Section 25-2-921(C) to authorize the building official to issue temporary use permits (TUP) in all residential zoning districts for outdoor benefits and festivals held on property used for education and religious assembly purposes.
- In November 2013, staff issued a new interpretation of Section 25-2-921(C) in a memo that said, due to non-enforcement, this code section no longer prohibits outdoor benefits and festivals on church and school property.
- HCE HOA and CB POA filed appeal of City's and Guernsey's "interpretation" of the TUP in December 2013 ("TUP Appeal").
- Staff refused to forward TUP Appeal to BOA claiming the November 2013 interpretation did not contain any "appealable" decisions.
- Since November 2013, outdoor benefits and festivals held on property used for education and religious assembly purposes has been allowed as interpreted in the November 2013 memo.

Two of Three Appeals Now Allowed to Proceed

- Staff agrees to send site plan and building permit appeals to BOA but not TUP Appeal.

Primary Appeal Issues for Site Plan and Building Permit Appeals

- Director Guernsey approved the outdoor amphitheater as a religious assembly use. He said the zoning code did not make a distinction between indoor and outdoor religious assembly. This is incorrect. Section 25-2-921(C) of the zoning code prohibits all outdoor assembly (public, historic and religious), including benefits, festivals and other events likely to attract a mass gathering of people in the RR to SF-3 zoning districts. The LifeAustin property is zoned RR.

Email your comments to BOA staff liaison, Leane Heldenfelds, Leane.Heldenfels@austintexas.gov

2. Please reference the case number: C15-2015-0147 and amphitheater address: 8901 SH 71 West.

3. Ask the Board of Adjustment to **grant** the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

4. Ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.


A hearing on the site plan and building permit appeals is on the BOA agenda for November 9, 2015 at 5:30 pm in City Council chambers. The neighborhoods have asked to postpone the hearing until December 9. We will update you later when the hearing date is set.

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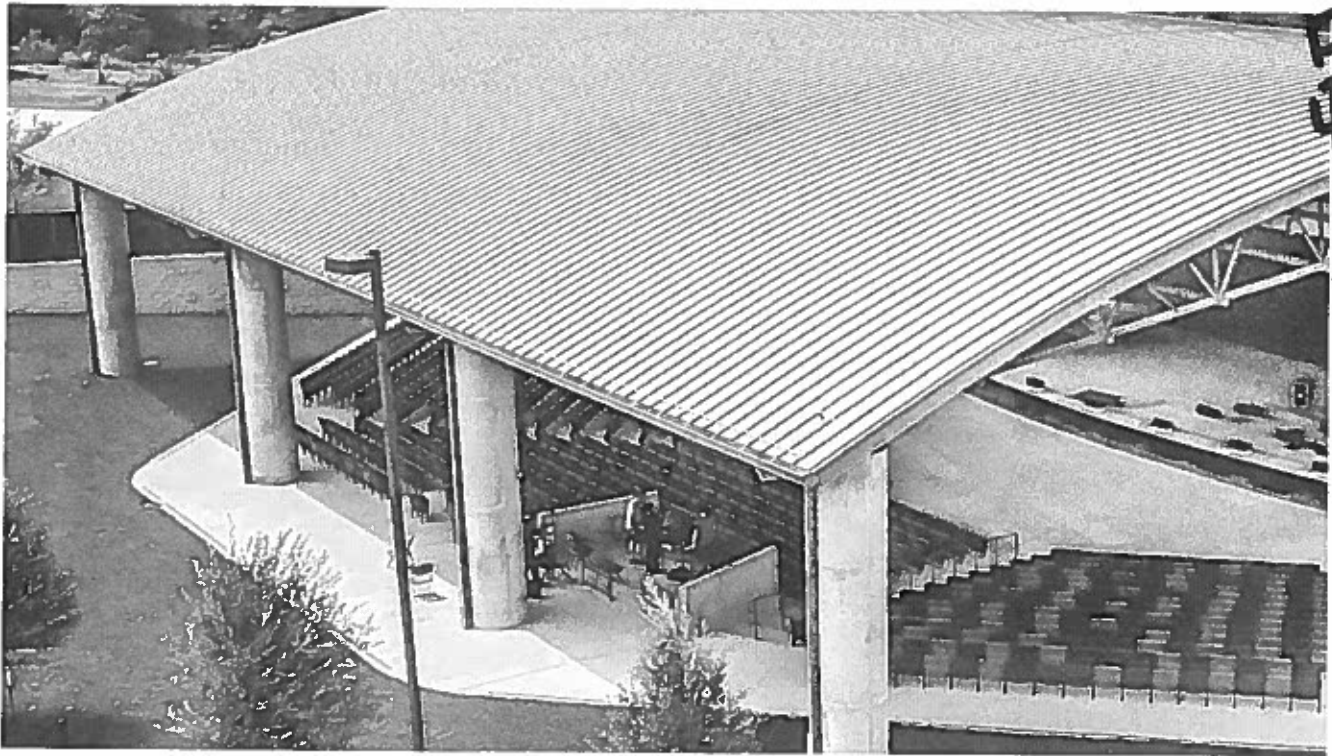
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[<http://www.coveredbridgeaustin.org/board-of-adjustment-hearing-life-austin-outdoor-amphitheater/>] by Eli.

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**LifeAustin**

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Supporters

"By signing below I hereby recognize and affirm that I am a member of LifeAustin Church. The LifeAustin Amphitheatre is an essential element of the Church's ministry. The Amphitheatre exists to bring transformation to the community through the arts given by the Creator in a setting that brings us closer to the Creator. One of the Church's guiding principles is to think and act on the imaginative ideas of the Holy Spirit in all that it does, including the expression of art, dance, drama, and music. The arts are a part of the way in which members of the Church prepare their hearts and minds to hear the word and to respond to that word."

Letter to

City of Austin Staff Liaison-Board of Adjustment Leane Heldenfels

Re: Case number C15-2015-0147

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John Capezzuti started this petition with a single signature, and now has 601 supporters. Start a petition today to change something you care about.

[Start a petition](#)**Updates**

1. 2 weeks ago
500 supporters
2. 4 weeks ago
LifeAustin started this petition

*Sent 12/7 -
★ indicates new signers since
pocket deadline end of day 11/23.*

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The Life Austin Amphitheater is a state of the art venue designed with great care to minimize noise while providing an enjoyable experience to those in attendance. I have been thoroughly blessed to attend concert there and worship God with the breeze blowing around me and the stars shining above me. It's a unique experience.

Stacey Clements, Leander, TX

3 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The amphitheatre provides an amazing place to introduce friends and family to Jesus Christ in a non-threatening environment through the arts.

★ Carl Bowen, Austin, TX

1 week ago

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Robert Merrill, Austin, TX

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It truly amazes me how difficult it has become to be a Christian family in America these days. It is politically correct to denounce religion and support all types of causes, unless they are Christian faith based. This theatre represents LifeAustin desire to reach the public through the Arts, and is the most unique approach to making the church a part of the Austin Community.

Ryan Boswell, Austin, TX

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Load more

I want to thank the leaders of the witch hunt in Covered Bridge for leading me to Life Austin, which I have just decided to join as my family church this week. I decided to check out the church and see what all the fuss was about. My backyard on Roaring Springs couldn't be any closer to the amphitheater and the only noise I hear is from a few select neighbors who incessantly complain about music. A few have even resorted to bullying those of us who don't support their cause on Nextdoor.com. They have complained about the "effect on property value" but apparently they haven't bothered to check tax records or MLS data, because property values have been on a dramatic and steady incline for years. As a former Realtor who practiced in Austin for fifteen years, I can assure you that a popular church is going to increase property value if anything. The signs these neighbors have placed about the amphitheater on our streets WILL drive away buyers, as will the posts on online neighborhood boards. If this were truly a noise issue, I would support it wholeheartedly, but from the behavior of these individuals and the lack of noise in my own backyard, I have to question their motives. The leader of the pack lives a street to the South of me, so my house is in between hers and the church. If the seven members of my household can't hear anything (and we've tried!), I find it very difficult to believe that she can. I have talked to the neighbors on my street and they haven't heard music either. I have come to the conclusion that this has to be either people still angry over losing the fight with the city or perhaps these people have something against christianity in general. I truly hope that is not the case. Enough of this, Covered Bridge! Let me live in peace. And thank you for pushing me to go investigate Life Austin for myself.

★ Sandra Heflin, Austin, TX
11 hours ago
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It needs to be signed.....

★ Phillip Freeburg, Austin, TX
2 days ago
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The LifeAustin Ampitheatre is an essential element of the church. The facility provides a family friendly venue for the expression of dance and music.

★ Debbie Maynor, Austin, TX
3 days ago
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south west Austin needs a place like this to add to the enjoyment of life.

★ william cravy, Austin, TX
4 days ago
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I have had the honor to attended many events at the Life Austin Amphitheater and find this has been a great assist to South Austin. This venue has the ability reach the community in a none threatening way. I believe that should the city leaders keep an open mind that having such a venue will continue to show Austins local talent and arts. Not to mention the great music talents... What better way than Keep South Austin Alive... with the Life Austin Amphitheater.

★ Inez Day, Austin, TX

4 days ago

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I believe that the Amphitheatre will prompt spiritual blessings on all who visit. This will apply to Christians and Non-Christians alike.

★ Robert George, Dripping Springs, TX

4 days ago

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This amphitheater is a plus for the whole community offering family entertainment usually free of charge!

★ Melissa Joseph, Tyler, TX
4 days ago
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This venue is amazing and I have been to about 7 or 8 events there in the last several months. All were Christ-centered and honoring of God as well as family oriented.

★ Annette frazier, Dripping Springs, TX
5 days ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I'm signing because I truly believe the Amphitheatre is a place of Christian fellowship. I am not a member of this church at this time, but I have been attending with my family for several months with plans of joint as members. The huge outreach to the community including the activities at the amphitheatre are major factors in that decision. I want my children to know the Holy Spirit exists in all activities of life.

★ Andrea Richardson, Austin, TX

6 days ago

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Every event I have been to here at LifeAustin Amphitheater has been inspirational, and has influenced my personal spiritual growth. The amphitheater is an important part of evangelizing and reaching people with the love of Christ.

★ Claire Cain, Austin, TX

1 week ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

the amphitheater brings everyone together to fellowship and grow in love and the Lord.

★ Melissa watts. Austin, TX
1 week ago

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I'm signing cause I've have known Pastor Randy and Bishop Phillips for years.I have traveled to Austin to attain services at Life Austin and The Promiseland for over 20 years and Randy has done what GOD has called him to do by Building Life Austin Church and the Amphitheatre. The City can cause all kinds of waves and the people around the church too but God is there on that land so he will protect what is his and what he had an awesome man of GOD build that I don't see any man destroy. Thanks Pastor Randy for an awesome place of worship.

★ Sammy Casarez. College Station, TX
1 week ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I'm signing this petition because I firmly believe the amphitheater is an asset to the community more than it could ever be a hindrance.

Rosie Debbs, Austin, TX

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I BELIEVE THAT THIS VENUE IS A BLESSING FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

✱**MARY DURHAM, AUSTIN, TX**

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The LifeAustin Amphitheater offers a valuable opportunity for anyone to come and praise God through joyful music. The amphitheater was built according to regulations and operates in good faith. We trust the city to appreciate the value it brings to so many and to bless us by denying the complaint.

Patricia Lewis, Wimberley, TX

1 week ago

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This area needs a faith based venue for promoting our Savior through the arts, music and event based community. I am proud LifeAustin has taken the initiative with the LifeAustin Amphitheatre!

Brian Sherman, Austin, TX

1 week ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I believe in what Life Austin is doing.



Elizabeth Carson, Austin, TX

1 week ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I want the theater and the buisness it will bring to town and for the church



Robin Moore, Dripping Springs, TX

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Carl Bowen, Austin, TX

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Robert Merrill, Austin, TX

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I am signing because we love love the amphitheater. An amazing outreach to the community, for all to enjoy and an amazing worship experience.



Lisa Fink, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

This facility is a venue of good and not that of ill will or bad behavior. This is an opportunity to bring the love of Christ to others not even associated with our church family. Good will and sharing this behavior with the arts is a decent and honest goal.



Bill B Zilar, Buda, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

This amphitheater is the BEST thing that could happen to Austin! It's clean family safe fun!



Rebecca Naddef, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I am signing because I have first hand watch events change the lives of teenage youth I have brought to events there. I watched a group of fatherless youth from East Austin, who were brought to a concert there and 5 of the 8 brought accepted Christ!! That would have never happened trying to get them into church. That was the vision of Randy Phillips and that is what has happened in the short time it as been open. So I tell be don't fight it until you have firsthand watched it change lives like I have!!!!!!!!!!

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Ron Bruno, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Please allow LifeAustin to continue sharing the love of God through our amphitheatre to the lost and lonely by transforming lives..."for once I was lost but now I'm found".

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Cynthia Fregey, Spicewood, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Being an elected official myself, I find anything that can bring a positive impact to the community and benefit the quality of life is always welcome. My understanding is that there was strong and thorough communication between the developer and code enforcement to make sure all was in compliance . City codes have been followed according to the set requirements and it is my hope that you continue to support the ordinance that you set in place. The people of LifeAustin care deeply about the citizens of Austin and the surrounding areas. LifeAustin has no intention of being a burden to the surrounding communities, but to enhance the quality of life. Please choose people over political endeavor.



Reed Norman, Marble Falls, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

This amphitheater is a vital part of our community and it offers opportunities to gather that would not otherwise be available.



Karen Lugo, Austin, TX

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The LifeAustin Amphitheater is a blessing to Austin, and the surrounding community. My hope, and prayer, is that the neighborhood will embrace LifeAustin and the Amphitheatre, as much as LifeAustin has embraced our neighbors.

Gary McLearen, Orlando, FL

2 weeks ago

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I support LifeAustin Amphitheatre

Allyson Rodriguez, Kyle, TX

2 weeks ago

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My wife and I attend this church. We are part of the Dream Teams and serve to help others be transformed in Christ. God uses many different avenues to change a persons life in order to make his or her life more hopeful. more joyous, to love others better etc. The amphitheater is able to bring people together through the arts and to share in one another's life issues to find the support each one of us needs.

★ Scott Mitzel, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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★ Ryan Boswell, Austin, TX

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This Amphitheatre is considered an outside Sanctuary and is an integral part of the church services. The events their are no different than "The Backyard" in Bee Cave which is even closer to residential areas and there have been no complaints.



Joseph Feste, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I pray that God's wisdom radiates to Austin's local government and he protects our new outdoor praise & worship center!



carlos myers, McAllen, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The last event I attended at Life Austin's amphitheater I listened to Tim Teebow speak among others. I pray that God protects our venue!

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carlos myers, McAllen, TX

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member of life Austin

Amphitheater is Christian way of praying/worship

janet mijares, austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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I'm a member of Life Austin church and have been blessed by Christian concerts held at the Life Austin amphitheatre. I'm also excited to volunteer with Compassion International at an upcoming event being held at the amphitheatre to help children in need around the world through child sponsorship.



Sharon Bryan, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I'm signing because the amphitheater is an amazing facility where everyone can gather to worship.



Barbara Adams, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I am a member of this church and I support the activities hosted at the Amphitheatre.



Meredith Knight, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

These services at this venue have impacted my life and family

★ William Ball, Del Valle, TX
2 weeks ago
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I am joining with & asking my fellow Austinites to request the existing approval to use the life Austin amphitheater tension in effect. 1. It's crucial to the ongoing integrity of the city & development of Austin that properly applied for, processed & granted licenses & approvals be honored. 2. This amphitheater is a huge part of an expanding expression of not only life Austin church but the Church At large. In its few months since completion, it had been used for life Austin specific events, events bringing worship leaders from all across Austin & performers of noe from all over the globe to enrich & further engage our community as a whole. Thank you for affirming the rule of law & good common community sense.

★ Shannon Black, Spicewood, TX
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I would like to see the wonderful ministry begun at the amphitheater continue to flourish.



Ben Warren, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I live in Covered Bridge. I am grateful that they built amphitheater for family and youth. Compare with Barton Springs where host many concerts that are not proper for youth and families. Please keep this amphitheater in my neighborhood.



Connie Sefcik-Kennedy, Austin, TX

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

While we are not members yet, we moved here from Tulsa in July and immediately began attending LifeAustin. Finding this church so quickly was a blessing for our family and was recommended to us from our minister in Tulsa. LifeAustin is such a positive, warm atmosphere in a world where sadness and evil are everywhere. We are so thankful we've found a church home where we can be fed while hearing the word ... through sermon and through the amazing music!



dana thames. Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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This venue is for the entire community to share uplifting Christian music, inspirational messages, fellowship with others to gain a deeper meaning with Christ as well as a better sense of community and laughter. It is a much needed venue in this part of Austin and the city should uphold the decisions that have been made as we continue to move forward.



Teresa Ketner. Austin, TX

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Amazing the good work done there. Brings so many people to the great church surroundings.



Charles Claiborne, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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The Ampitheatre is a wonderful venue for expanding the Arts scene in Austin.



Pauly Littrell, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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The Amp assists in spreading the Gospel!

★ Michael Littrell, Buda, TX

2 weeks ago

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I'm signing because I want to see this facility used by all the Austin arts community.

★ John Carson, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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This Amphitheater has been a great addition to the ministry of our Church, bringing people together in Worship.



Paul Daniels, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Because it is a blessing to the community and the city♥□



Tammy Boysen, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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It is my understanding that permits were properly obtained/issued for construction and use of this amphitheater originally; With regular Church based Praise & Worship events & activities occurring there currently/recently (per deign, function, and within timing guidelines). I fail to understand why now obstructionist, protest, and resistance is occurring? I obviously support the intentions and use of this venue for continued Church related Praise & Worship activities and events.



Mike Tibbets, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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I'm signing because it matters. I strongly support the continued use of this forum.



Shelia Taylor, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I have been so blessed by the concerts held at the LifeAustin ampitheatre, and believe it to be an important venue to bring spiritual transformation to Austin!



Dana Skillman, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I feel Life Austin has tried very hard to be a good neighbor in our community. We have installed jogging trails and opened them up to all in the community. We put in a dog park and all our neighbors are allowed to use it. We laid out and built a frisbee golf course and again all our neighbors are allowed to use it.

Our amphitheater is another venue which serves the community. We have Christian music concerts and other church related events. We plan to have the venue available for different recitals for schools in the community.

It is too bad a vocal few oppose this venue which is an asset to the Oak Hill community.



Pame Smith, Austin, TX

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Patricia Escriu, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I'm signing because this amphitheater is part of a vision to uplift God's kingdom. It enhances God's word through music. I know when I came to LifeAustin the churches vision to build an Amphitheater had me in sheer amazement. Now that it's a reality. I have enjoyed the different venues we've been blessed with. It would be a shame for this amphitheater to no longer be available to bless others.



Derrick Townsend, Austin, TX

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The LifeAustin Amphitheatre is a family friendly venue that is open and welcoming to the community. Over the past few months, I have had the opportunity to worship, enjoy healthy entertainment, and serve/volunteer, while simultaneously meeting and enjoying the company of several others from LifeAustin and beyond. As an educator, it breaks my heart to know that something that was intended for the good of individuals, family, and community has been and continues to be met with opposition.



Roberta Turnipseed, Austin, TX

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The Life Austin amphitheater is a beautiful place of worship, where many come together to praise God.

★ Natalie Villanueva, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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I have experience a great beautiul connection with the holy spirit during their praise and worship services. This is a holy uplifting place were christians can come together and praise and lift up our father.

★ Amanda Cardona, Austin tx, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I believe the amphitheatre is an important part of the ministry that reaches out to so many.

✱ John Miller, Austin, TX

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This is such a refreshing approach to worship. The venue is more intimate so it gives me the chance to meet people I might not otherwise see. The family and neighbors we have invited to come with us have all thoroughly enjoyed the Amphitheater and appreciated its value to the community.

☆ Judi George, Dripping Springs, TX

2 weeks ago

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Life Austin is such a loving, giving church and the Amphitheatre provides a wonderful stage to demonstrate that.

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Karen McCoy, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Austin is the "Music Capital of the World" then why shouldn't we, LifeAustin, be able to have the same opportunity as other music venues in town. Our music is uplifting and positive and needed to today!



Karen Meeks, Austin, TX

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The LifeAustin Amphitheatre's calling remains consistent with the principal use of religious assembly. The arts and in particular faith based music continue to be a powerful tool used by God in my life transforming me into a more loving and caring person and citizen of our unique community.

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Bob Shepard. Austin, TX

~~★~~ 2 weeks ago
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This amphitheater was specifically designed to have a minimal noise impact to the community area and is not hurting anyone. I live in the area.

~~★~~ **Daniel Reeves. Austin, TX**
2 weeks ago

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The LifeAustin Amphitheatre is an excellent outdoor venue and I have enjoyed attending praise and worship events there personally. All of the LifeAustin Amphitheatre events on which I have seen information are focused on the extension of the Church's ministry.

~~★~~ I am a little perplexed by the City of Austin's revisiting of the Amphitheatre permits. As during the original permitting process, this venue would have been evaluated for community concerns. To have been originally permitted, all City of Austin requirements were met and/or exceeded and approved by city officials. Therefore, since the requirements have not changed in the past few months, it seems this

one venue providing additional worship opportunities to our community of faith in Austin may be unique in receiving additional inspection. I trust that the City will be committed to the diversity of the Austin community and maintain the integrity of its permitting process by ensuring the permits provided stand as issued.

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★ Wendell Meeks, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I'm signing because Life Austin is a great church that is reaching a large number of people in this city and transforming thier lives in a wonderful way. the amphitheater is used 100% in a religous manner to support this cause and to deny it's use in doing such would be an incredible sin. Thanks

★ Sykes George, Austin, TX

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I support Life Austin amphitheater

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★ Lisa Montanio. Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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The amphitheater is a place for us to worship and for people to express their God given talents. It should not be hindered!

★ Barbara Barlow. Leander, TX
2 weeks ago
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Important ministry that serves the community

★ Paula Segura. Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Because this venue was built above the specs that the city approved with money donated by the people who shared this vision. The city has no right to now comeback and reverse its decision now that it is already built.

★ Jay Corenblith, Spicewood, TX
2 weeks ago
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This venue is incredible! It is a place that unites people from all walks of life, all social economic statuses, and demographics for the purpose of sharing the love and peace of God with all. Just because my worship is demonstrative and expressive does not negate the fact that it is worship.

★ Terry Bell, Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I love Jesus and Life Austin is my church.

In order to get the TRUTH out there is a City this size you need a venue!!!!



Deborah Kruse, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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I'm signing because I believe that the Life Austin Ampitheater is beneficial for building community in Austin.



Janet and Rick Pyne, Austin, TX

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The amphitheater is an essential and performing act of worship to God Almighty. The God of all creation and the source of all truth.



jesse saucedo, Austin, TX

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Because I have been to a couple of Awesome concerts there recently & was so Blessed. Phillips Craig & Dean & Larry Gatlin & Brothers A.Fabulous facility & a great addition to SW Austin



Jane Diane Mullett, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Love LifeAustin



Allison Anders, Houston, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

We love the ministry that the church offers through this venue.



Cheryl Newcomer, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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I agree that this space is being used for worship in different forms and has already been proven a success and at the same time thoughtful of the neighborhood

★ Debbie Boettner, Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I love and support this church no matter where is am.

★ marc spinder, Naperville, IL
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

My family is part of Life Austin, and I was too when I lived in Texas.

★ Leah Malcolm, Naperville, IL
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

The amphitheatre is a very important part of LifeAustin's approach. we don't just sit and listen...we are active participants in worship. Praise and worship has many facets. What touches my heart may not touch yours but it could allow you to look at things just a little differently. The Amp broadens the horizon of the community which is LifeAustin.

★ Denyce E Deadrick, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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I believe that Austin is the music capital of Texas. Music shouldn't be held from the public based on the type of music that's being performed.

★ Juan Bastida, Austin, TX

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

This is a beautiful venue that's being used to glorify our God and Saviour. It is a wonderful way to draw people to an awareness of God's love for us. While I don't live in Austin, I consider Life Austin my church away from home



Joan Amoriello, El Paso, TX

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The LifeAustin Amphitheater is a vital addition to the Austin faith community. I am grateful our family has this beautiful new venue in which to worship.



Phyllis Rhea, Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I believe in the mission of Life Austin Church and live music in Austin

★ Kip Nanninga, Cedar Park, TX
2 weeks ago
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I care!

★ Bryan King, Del Valle, TX
2 weeks ago
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The amphitheatre reminds me to look up and understand that God is not confined to church walls. We were always intended to marvel at creation.

Joshua Contreras. Austin, TX

2 weeks ago

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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Im not a member of this particular church, but it look like a wonderful venue.

Cynthia Keith. Kyle, TX

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I believe in the Kingdom of God!

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★ Melissa Rodriguez, Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

Great venue for entertainment, adds value to Austin.

★ YVONNE ESPARZA, Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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I believe in this church even if I don't go there. This place can be used as a powerful ministry in the community!

★ Jackson Campbell, Jeffersonville, KY
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

I believe

★ Caleb Waller, Driftwood, TX
2 weeks ago
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Thank you for taking the time to report content. Our team will review your claim, and contact you if we need more information.

This has been an amazing outreach for our family, for the community & for our kids! They love dancing to music, watching kids films, worshipping and being free to run around w others!

★ Angie Ray, Austin, TX
2 weeks ago
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Heldenfels, Leane

From: Carol Ramberg <gramberg@austin.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 5:10 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: Carol Ramberg
Subject: C15-2015-0147

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To the Board of Adjustment:

I am writing to address concerns in reference to case number C15-2015-0147

I am a long time resident of Covered Bridge and my husband and I have been involved in many, many meetings during the past with Promised Land, now LifeAustin.

We ask that you grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA and to direct the staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

We are in objection to the outdoor amphitheater noise levels that that disturb the quality of life of residents who live in this rural residential zoned community.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

Carol Ramberg
8716 Samuel Bishop Dr
Austin TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: cgrossman [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 4:21 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Life Austin C15-2015-0147

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Leane,

My name is Cheryl W Grossman and for nearly forty years I have lived in one of the neighborhoods near the Life Austin Church campus (8901 SH 71 West, 78736). This area of West Oak Hill is zoned rural residential. I am completely baffled as to how what is essentially a commercial outdoor concert venue got approval from City Neighborhood Planning and Zoning...apparently done without public hearings/notifications and under the guise of religious assembly. We are established neighborhoods in which amplified, live outdoor performances are incompatible on every level.

At a meeting several years ago, after construction was already underway, church leaders met with neighbors at a meeting hosted by Oak Hill Association of Neighborhoods. Despite assuring the gathered neighbors that the church intended to monitor the sound with care and to address traffic concerns on Highway 71 West, the church has delivered a very different reality. Neighborhoods closest to the church have been negatively impacted by unwanted amplified performance and traffic has been negatively impeded. Neighborhoods not contiguous to the church have also been disturbed by the noise. My neighborhood, as a member of OHAN, has voted in favor of the multiple resolutions supporting Hill County Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA.

Despite assurances that the amphitheater would be used on a limited basis for religious assembly, here is the reality in a recent mailing: Life **Austin Amphitheater** has scheduled 3 performances (2 music, 1 dance) this month. And yes, in the most recent mailing Life **Austin Amphitheater** is exactly how this concert venue is being marketed. How does this fit with religious assembly? The church has essentially deprived neighbors of the full use of their own property in order to stage concerts. Those of us who live in this rural residential neighborhood do not want to see this usurpation set a precedent.

I support the appeals filed by Hill County Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA as well forwarding the appeal to the Board of Adjustment.

Thanks,
Cheryl W Grossman
9600 Wier Loop Road
Austin, Texas 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Larry Akers [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 9:46 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Board of Adjustment case C15-2015-0147 -- LifeAustin

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One cannot have lived in Austin without seeing that large outdoor events are highly controversial and impactful of surrounding areas. The cases and accounts of problems are too numerous to mention. As a long-time resident of the Zilker and Barton Hills neighborhoods, I have long experienced the disruption of mobility and loss of privacy and quiet enjoyment of the home that these events bring.

Allowing to stand an administrative approval that supports the conduct of large outdoor events without conditional or temporary use permits would be a horrible decision and set a precedent that could impact any residential neighborhood anywhere in the City.

Please do not allow the administrative approval to stand.

Larry Akers
2311 Ridgeview

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Sent with Postbox

C15-2015-0147

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Linda Bailey [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 9:10 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LIFEAUSTIN OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER

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Hello Leane,

Please DO NOT approve zoning for LifeAustin Amphitheater. It will be a huge disruption to the neighborhood - uncontrolled traffic, uncontrolled noise and against the zoning people expected when they purchased home across the valley.

I've been to the adjacent neighborhoods and would not want to raise a family there with the proposed changes.

thank you,

Linda Bailey

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Jeanne Kirk [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 10:09 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: Kirk, Jeanne
Subject: LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West - Case number: C15-2015-0147

PA
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Importance: High

Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

I am contacting you in your capacity as staff liaison for the Austin Board of Adjustment (BOA). I have been a Covered Bridge community resident since 2008 and have lived through years of frustration with the intrusive behavior of Promiseland West/Life Austin Church and their determination to install an open air music venue with permanent sound amplification and a heavy schedule of events, including late night concerts, in the middle of our Rural Residential (RR) zoned neighborhood. This intrusion was inappropriately and illegally enabled and abetted by the City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department and its director, Greg Guernsey, refusing to forward our appeals of their decisions to the BOA, as required by law.

The Covered Bridge and Hill Country Estates neighborhoods have suffered with this intrusion for years. The neighborhoods have had to spend large sums of money trying to stop the building of the amphitheater and to contest the vacillating decision and obstruction presented by Mr. Guernsey and other city staff. We have had multiple meetings with the church and offered many reasonable options, none of which were adopted. Now that the church has proceeded with building and operating this illegal music venue, residents in these neighborhoods and others are having to deal with these intrusive sounds in their homes with doors and windows closed!

Please help us make this right by the following requests:

- I ask the Board of Adjustment to GRANT the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA
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- The hearing on the site plan and building permit appeals is currently on the BOA agenda for November 9, 2015 at 5:30 pm in City Council chambers. I ask that the request by the neighborhoods to postpone the hearing until December 9, 2015 be granted

Thank you for your assistance!

Jeanne

Jeanne C. Kirk
Covered Bridge
8601 Foggy Mountain Drive, Austin TX 78736
jeanneckirk@gmail.com

Heldenfels, Leane

From: JJ Colburn [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2015 10:55 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West - Case number: C15-2015-0147

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Thank you for your assistance,

George

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George Colburn

Covered Bridge

7619 Crackling Creek, Austin TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Leonard Baumel [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 9:09 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: case number C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

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Dear Ms. Heldenfels;

I am writing in regard to case number C15-2015-0147, the amphitheater at the Life Austin Church, 8901 SH 71 West.

First of all I would respectfully request that the hearing before the Board of Adjustment scheduled for November 9, 2015 be postponed until December 9, 2015.

Next I would like to strongly urge the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. The presence of the highly amplified sound that is blown in every direction by the varying winds and atmospheric conditions has disrupted the lives of neighbors and neighborhoods on all sides of the amphitheater. When people can hear the amphitheater from the inside their homes, the situation becomes intolerable. This amphitheater was built in defiance of common sense due to an erroneous interpretation of the City's zoning ordinances.

We beg the Board of Adjustment to accept our appeals and rectify the injustice that has been done to us and our neighbors.

Thank you.

Leonard Baumel

Ingbaumel@sbcglobal.net

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Janice Faries [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 8:55 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: BOA hearing case number: C15-2015-0147 - Covered Bridge Property Owners Association and Hill Country Estates HOA

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To: Leane Heldenfelds

Re: LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater, 8901 SH 71 West, Austin, Texas

Case number: C15-2015-0147, and

I support the Covered Bridge Property Owners Association, the Hill Country Estates HOA and the residents in surrounding neighborhoods who oppose LifeAustin's outdoor amphitheater. We are asking that the City of Austin's Regulations and Codes be followed now, as it was apparently ignored in the past. The surrounding neighborhoods quality of life has been disrupted by the noise from the entertainment events of LifeAustin's professionally engineered, high-powered amplified outdoor venues. Nearby neighborhoods such as Westview Estates, the Thomas Springs neighborhood, Blue Hill neighborhood and others are also being impacted.

Many moved to this area many years ago to avoid the noise and activity of dense city life. The above mentioned neighborhoods did not move to the area after the building of the LifeAustin's outdoor amphitheater, LifeAustin built in the existing neighborhood instead. These previously established neighborhoods now have no choice but to accept, move, or put up with this disruption and hope soon the City of Austin will consider their staff's previous failure to completely follow the City Codes and Regulations and reverse their previous decisions.

Possibly an enclosed structure can hopefully solve the majority of the LifeAustin noise issue. Therefore, I urge the City of Austin to consider

the surrounding neighborhoods concerns and complaints regarding the
above issue.

Thank you very much.

Janice Faries

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Heldenfels, Leane

From: Tim Wooten [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 8:06 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Amphitheater - Case # C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

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Dear Leane Heldenfels,

My wife and I are residents of the Hill Country Estates community at 6701 Midwood Pkwy. We have been members of our community for the past 18 years and love our home and neighbors. Due to the noise originating from the amphitheater located at 8901 SH 71 West, our lives have been disrupted. Objections to the noise generated by the sound checks, shows, and concerts performed at this amphitheater have been filed with the city of Austin via numerous 311 telephone calls. We wish to reference the current case number, C15-2015-0147, to ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates Home Owners Association and the Covered Bridge Property Owners Association. We also ask that the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by the Hill Country Estates Home Owners Association and the Covered Bridge Property Owners Association.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
Tim and Jayne Wooten

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Heldenfels, Leane

From: Phillip Georg [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 6:54 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Ref; case C15-2015-0147 LifeAustn [REDACTED]

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I was writing to ask the Board of Adjustment to to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA..

In addition I ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

I moved to Covered Bridge in Mid 2009 after retirement. I have spent a life time defending due process as Police officer. We were not informed of of any attempt to build a Amphitheater for any reason as there was no public knowledge. The Austin City Staff failed to give public notice. This is my retirement home and I do not want the possibility of our peace being deserted by concerts for any purpose and I am a Christian. As my neighbor in Country Estates said " I don't care if it is Silent Night, if I can hear it in my home it is not acceptably."

Thanks for your attendance to this matter.

Phillip W George
Police Sgt. Retired
7515 Roaring Springs Dr
Austin, TX. 78736

512-810-1289

Heldenfels, Leane

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 6:47 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Appeals for Cq5-2015-0147
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Re:case number: C15-2015-0147 and amphitheater located 8901 SH 71 West.

We live 2 miles from where the concerts are held and we can hear the thumping bass, like when a car has a loud stereo and drives by our house. But the thumping doesn't "drive away". It's constant during a show.

Board of Adjustment, please grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

And direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

Thank you,
Gina Lovelace
7005 Chinook Dr.
Austin, TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 4:52 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Fwd: [covered_bridge] INFORMATION RE: BOA HEARING ABOUT LIFE AUSTIN OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER

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Hi

I am writing to express my concern over the Life Austin amphitheater, the way it was approved and the ongoing deceptive actions taken by city staff to avoid any retraction of permits for the outdoor event center.

Having a home within view of the facility isn't an issue for me. What is an issue is the noise nuisance created by it. We didn't move to the nuisance, but rather it came to us. The facility isn't for religious expression or practice. It is being used for commercial purposes. We have called 311 every time they have a concert because we not only hear it while trying to relax outside, but also while we are inside our home.

All of the points listed below are in line with our concerns and I ask the BOA to retract any permits unfairly provided to this facility. They are not acting in good faith and are not being a good neighbor, as promised. If they want to have services outside, there is no need to have evening concerts not at a decibel level that disturbs the neighborhoods surrounding them.

Thanks

Please reference: 1) the case number: C15-2015-0147, and
2) the address for LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West

If you can, please send your email before November 8, 2015 so the BOA members will know on November 9th how many people are interested in the appeal. Please do not attempt to communicate directly with any member of the BOA. All communications must be sent to Ms. Heldenfels.

Background Facts

The following is a very brief description of how the outdoor amphitheater was administratively approved without any public hearings, and how City staff blocked all attempts to allow neighbors to appeal the unprecedented approvals:

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City’s Approval of Outdoor Amphitheater Building Permit

- HCE HOA and CB POA filed appeal of City’s and Guernsey’s “interpretation” approving a building permit for LifeAustin’s outdoor amphitheater.
- Staff refused to forward building permit appeal to BOA.
- In late 2012, staff sought an amendment to City Code Section 25-2-921(C) to authorize the building official to issue temporary use permits (TUP) in all residential zoning districts for outdoor benefits and festivals held on property used for education and religious assembly purposes.

· In November 2013, staff issued a new interpretation of Section 25-2-921(C) in a memo that said, due to non-enforcement, this code section no longer prohibits outdoor benefits and festivals on church and school property.

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· HCE HOA and CB POA filed appeal of City's and Guernsey's "interpretation" of the TUP in December 2013 ("TUP Appeal").

· Staff refused to forward TUP Appeal to BOA claiming the November 2013 interpretation did not contain any "appealable" decisions.

· Since November 2013, outdoor benefits and festivals held on property used for education and religious assembly purposes has been allowed as interpreted in the November 2013 memo.

Two of Three Appeals Now Allowed to Proceed

· Staff agrees to send site plan and building permit appeals to BOA but not TUP Appeal.

Primary Appeal Issues for Site Plan and Building Permit Appeals

· Director Guernsey approved the outdoor amphitheater as a religious assembly use. He said the zoning code did not make a distinction between indoor and outdoor religious assembly. This is incorrect. Section 25-2-921(C) of the zoning code **prohibits all outdoor assembly**(public, historic and religious), including benefits, festivals and other events likely to attract a mass gathering of people in the RR to SF-3 zoning districts. The LifeAustin property is zoned RR.

· Section 25-2-921(C) of the zoning code authorizes the City Building Official to issue temporary use permits for outdoor gatherings of up to 50 people in SF-4 and less restrictive zoning districts. To have a gathering of more than 50 people, the property must be located in a non-residential zoning district.

Some Areas of Concern

· Staff did not have the authority to administratively approve LifeAustin's construction of an outdoor amphitheater.

· Ticketed concerts, plays and other forms of entertainment are not religious assembly.

· City should enforce the zoning code as it is plainly written.

· Staff's interpretations set a precedent to allow all church grounds to become outdoor entertainment venues.

· If the code says non-residential zoning is required to have an outdoor event with more than 50 people, how can staff approve gatherings of 1,500 people in the RR zoning district?

• The zoning code requires a "conditional use permit" (and public hearings) to be obtained before property owners can hold graduations, theatrical plays/productions, meetings, concerts, recitals, ballets, family movie nights, and other events in an event center. This requirement has been ignored by staff.

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- The amphitheater should be enclosed.
- Rural Residential zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood.
- The LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater is not a residence and it is not quiet.
- Loud concerts on school nights are bad for school aged children.
- Harms property values. How would you feel if you could hear concert music inside your home?
- The approval of the outdoor amphitheater violates the letter and the spirit of the zoning code.

Actions YOU can take

1. Email your comments to BOA staff liaison, Leane Heldenfelds, Leane.Heldenfels@austintexas.gov
2. Please reference the case number: C15-2015-0147 and amphitheater address: 8901 SH 71 West.
3. Ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
4. Ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

A hearing on the site plan and building permit appeals is on the BOA agenda for November 9, 2015 at 5:30 pm in City Council chambers. The neighborhoods have asked to postpone the hearing until December 9. We will update you later when the hearing date is set.

Jeanne C Kirk, CMP
National Account Manager
Experient
Sent from my iPhone

Posted by: Jeanne Kirk 

Heldenfels, Leane

From: William-Bobbie Moore [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 4:42 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Reference to case # C15-2015-0147 - Life Austin Amphitheatre at 8901 SH 71 West

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Ms Heldenfels,

I am writing this in reference to the Life Austin Amphitheatre on Hwy 71 West. While I am not a resident of any community that is affected by the noise created by this facility, I was house sitting for my daughter one weekend when there was a concert. I live in the Views of Belterra behind the Nutty Brown Cafe. Before we purchased our home we had researched the complaints about their amphitheatre and while we are occasionally able to hear a slight noise, it is nothing that disturbs us or our guests when enjoying evenings outdoors. When I heard the noise coming from the Life Austin Amphitheatre I felt like I was sitting in the middle of the performance. I could hear every word sung hear every note played and the crowd noise was very disruptive.

I am asking that the BOA grant the affected neighborhoods their requested appeal. The quality of life in these neighborhoods is certainly affected by the unsolicited noise coming from this facility. This does not seem to be the sort of facility that would be conducive to a residential zoning.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, Bobbie Moore

Heldenfels, Leane

From: RONI SEEMANN [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 4:23 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147 Resident of Covered Bridge

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Hello Ms Heldenfels,

I am writing to you in reference to case number: C15-2015-0147 and the Life Austin amphitheater located at 8901 SH 71 West. I am urging you to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. I want you to know that initially we were thrilled to hear we had a church moving in to our neighborhood but when the amphitheater was slipped in to the equation at the last minute with no public input I lost faith with the City of Austin having the best interest of it's citizens.

Here is an opportunity for the city to show that it does care about the quality of life of a lot of its' citizens over the personal wealth of one domain. I encourage you to please ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA. The church has done everything to undermine the quality of life of all it's neighbors. Please come visit the surrounding neighborhoods during one of the concerts. It won't be possible before Dec 9 because they changed the schedule in fear that you all might hear how intrusive they truly are to the peace and quiet of their neighbors. The next big concert is Dec 18 and they are charging for "passes" from \$13-\$45. All this under a Residential zone. I'm sure you've heard it all before but I feel compelled to do my part to encourage the city to do what is right and good for our area.

Thanks!

Roni Seemann
7324 Black Mountain Dr (Covered Bridge Subdivision)
Austin TX 73746

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Cynthia Harp [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 4:08 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin Church noise

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Dear Leane,

IN reference to case: C15 2015 0147
8901 SH 71 West [REDACTED]
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My home in Hill Country Estates is situated the furthest location from the Life Austin Amphitheater. I can hear the music in my backyard and on occasion the music has been so loud as to hear distinct lyrics. If I lived closer to the Amphitheater, I would consider my house not a home and I would sell it and move. The noise is that destructive.

This Amphitheater should never have been permitted.

Please grant the appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA and forward the TUP to the BOA.

Please go against what has been wrongly done. Please hear the voice of all families in these surrounding neighborhoods.

We are in no way opposed to the church and their activities. It is the level of intrusive and offensive noise that they create.

Best Regards,
Cynthia Harp
Hill Country Estate Resident

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Kristen Cox [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 3:55 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147
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Good Afternoon -

I'm a resident of Covered Bridge, a neighborhood in south Austin and in close proximity to Life Austin (8901 SH 71 West).

For many years my husband and I have expressed our concerns about the 1500 seat amphitheater that was dreamed for the property, planned and mapped for the property, constructed on the property and ultimately, to our amazement, launched on their property. Throughout this time, we have hoped for the best and prepared for the worst.

In 2010 we went so far as to put our home on the market. While we love where we live, we couldn't face the likelihood that our property values were going to dive once the amphitheater was built. It would ruin us financially. For 3 months, potential buyers expressed interest in purchasing our home and turned away once they learned that the large church under construction behind us was the one that planned to build the dreaded outdoor concert venue.

Last night was a prime example of life with an amphitheater in our back yard. I hosted a dinner party and had music playing throughout my house as well as on our 2 decks. As 6 of us on my lower deck were eating and talking, noise consumed our conversation. "What is that?" asked one of my guests. Another of my guests who is a sergeant with the Travis County Sheriff's Office answered her question, "That's an amphitheater. We get calls complaining about that thing all the time." The noise was audible above the music I was playing and our dinner conversation. This is the irritation we live with.

I implore you to accept our appeals regarding this matter.

Kind regards,
Kristen Cox
7312 Covered Bridge Dr.

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From: JDullnig [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 3:25 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Our concerns about the amphitheater at 8901 SH71 West

My wife and I share this email address and want to express our concerns about an amphitheater that is very near our home. The case number is C15-2015-0147 and the address of the amphitheater is 8901 SH 71 West.

We request that you ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. Please ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

This amphitheater is a significant inconvenience. We have concerns about the negative impact it may have on the value of our property and the noise it creates. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please let us know if you have any questions that we may answer regarding this matter

Jon and Judith Dullnig
7325 Black Mountain Drive
Austin, Texas 78736
512-288-1282

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From: Brad Pollard [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: case number: C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

Re: LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West

I live in Travis Country West, at least a mile (as the crow flies) from Life Austin and the amphitheater. Further, we are across highway 71 from the church, and the amphitheater points away from our neighborhood. I am still amazed that at night I can hear the music/bass from the amphitheater. We aren't even close to the church! I would be livid – beyond upset – if my home was closer to this amphitheater. The noise carries! It is loud!!

It seems crazy to me that this got approved in a residential area. Something is flawed in the process.

Brad Pollard

8413 Cobblestone, 78735

Heldenfels, Leane

From: MBBSBB [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case Number C15-2015-0147 re: 8901 SH 71 West
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TO: Leane Heldenfels, Staff Liaison, City of Austin Board of Adjustment

Ms. Heldenfels,

We are residents of the Covered Bridge neighborhood in Austin and are requesting that the Board of Adjustment take the following actions with regard to the outdoor amphitheater constructed without required neighborhood input at 8901 SH 71 West:

- 1) We are asking that the BOA hearing on this matter be postponed until December 9, 2015 so that the Board has sufficient time to review this complex issue
- 2) We are asking that the Board grant the appeals filed by the Covered Bridge Property Owners Association and the Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association of the city decisions on the site plan and building permit for this amphitheater
- 3) We are asking that the Board grant the associations' appeal to the temporary use permit granted for this amphitheater.

The construction of an outdoor amphitheater in our rural residential neighborhood, by any organization, degrades the quality of life for those of us who live here and is inconsistent with city of Austin zoning regulations.

We appreciate the Board of Adjustment's consideration of this request.

Thank you.

Mary Braunagel-Brown
Bruce Brown
7321 Roaring Springs Dr.
Austin TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Sandra Heflin [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 2:51 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case #: C15-2015-0147

Handwritten initials: SH

Regarding Case # C15-2015-0147
Address: 8901 SH 71 West, Austin TX

Leane, I am writing you to let you know about my concerns regarding what I have seen since moving into Covered Bridge neighborhood in Oak Hill this past August. I couldn't live much closer to the amphitheater, I'm right up against the greenbelt on Roaring Springs. I could walk to the church if I wanted to.

I'm writing you to complain about noise, but not music. The noise from a couple of my neighbors complaining about this amphitheater is non-stop. I was dreading the first "concert" Life Austin put on because these neighbors (who are all online- I've never actually met anyone who has heard music from the church) are complaining so much. It turns out, i can't hear any music at all and this whole drama has been unnecessary.

Since August, my family, which consists of seven members, has heard music only ONE time and that was on ACL weekend, so we are not sure of the source.

We've had ample opportunities now to hear this "nuisance" and yet, we've heard nothing. I mentioned just that on a neighborhood website, Nextdoor, and I was quickly told that I need to support the neighbors who could hear it because it was the right thing to do. I was told to lie and say I could hear this mystery music because supposedly someone else could. When I responded, weeks later, that I did not feel comfortable doing so, as I would essentially be accusing someone of doing something I had no evidence of, several neighbors responded with such vitriol that I have removed myself from the board, in fear that these irate people may harm my property or family.

In part due to the online bullying, I am beginning to believe this whole amphitheater fight has nothing to do with sound coming from the amphitheater. I think it has more to do with a long-fought battle that some in the neighborhood are bitter about losing. I suspect that there may also be some anti-Christian sentiment going on because I was warned by a neighbor that several homes have had their Christian Christmas decorations vandalized in recent years. I really hope that is not the case.

Whatever the cause, I am saddened that this is the reality of the neighborhood I have just spent a lot of money and effort to move my family to. There are certainly much worse things that we could live next to than a church.

I implore you to research this and find the truth. I don't think any facility should be bullied like this by a few select neighbors, no matter how loud or organized those neighbors may be. From what I've read, this battle was

already fought and the church agreed to keep their sound to a residential level. Either they have excellent acoustics or the "residential level" doesn't carry very far.

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Thank you for your time. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sandra Pearson
512.994.7904

Sent from my iPhone

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Linda Lievens [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 2:42 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: Ron Lievens
Subject: LifeAustin Amphitheater

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Case number: C15-2015-0147
RE: LifeAustin [REDACTED]
8901 SH 71 West
Austin, TX

Dear Leane,

I have lived in the Covered Bridge neighborhood for 10 years and have attended many meetings over these years regarding the building of the Dream City amphitheater, now called Life Austin. As a community, I feel we were never opposed to the church being built but were always concerned and intended to oppose the building of an outdoor musical amphitheater between many neighborhoods. This just never made sense and would surely have been opposed if we would have been given a chance to voice our opinions. We were told by Randy Phillips and other church representatives over the various meetings that this church intended to be a good neighbor, that our concerns were important to them and that they would NOT charge admittance to any concert because it was not a profit based venue.

While building the venue, they did install sound proofing, but even with that we can always hear their concerts. Even now as I am typing this email on a Sunday afternoon, a concert is going on and we can hear it when stepping out our front door. This is not what we anticipated when we build our beautiful home in the hill country in what was originally a nice fairly quiet subdivision. We can hear their concerts on Saturday evenings sitting outside in our backyard. They DO charge admittance for their concerts. And lets be honest... the pastor belongs to a successful Christian rock group so we knew that building this amphitheater meant music whenever they wanted and they truly do NOT take the concerns of their neighbors seriously because we have voiced our concerns over this amphitheater many, many times.

Please consider any options possible to stop this music venue. We were denied a voice as a community when it was approved and hope that there is some way to be heard now. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Regards,
Linda Lievens

Linda Lievens
8818 Towana Trail
Austin, TX 78736
512/913-1514

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Sandra Heflin [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 2:39 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Covered Bridge / Life Austin

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Sandra Pearson
512.994.7904
Sent from my iPhone

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, November 08, 2015 1:37 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: C12-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

Dear Ms Heldenfels,

I would like to first thank you for taking the time to "listen" to the many neighborhoods that have been writing to you.

My husband and I researched a dream home where we would have beautiful quiet nights with a sky full of stars. Neighbors that that would become dear friends, almost like family. In 1986 we found it. Hill Country Estates became our dream. We worked hard to make our back yard part of our living area. My 95 year old father came to live with us. He too loved being outside. Our dream has been shattered by a church, on 8901 SH 71 West, "Life Austin"!

The extreme loud "music" that we hear from their outdoor theater has changed our life. I want to share just two incidences among many with you. I have migraines. On night I had a severe migraine. The music from the church was so loud inside my house, my migraine became worst. I had no where to go to get away from the rattling windows and the booming base. My husband found me on the floor in the bathroom after vomiting for hours! Never has this happened! My 7 grandchildren cannot sleep when they come to visit because of this illegal outdoor theater!

I ask for your help and compassion to support the appeals filed by Hill Country Estate HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

I also plead your help to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by the Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

We bought the lot next door to us as an investment. I seriously doubt it is an investment anymore. This MUST stop. This is NOT what our Austin is about.

Would you like to have this situation next to your home?

Thank you again for helping us.

Stephanie Werner
6907 Midwood Parkway
Austin, Tx 78736

Stephanie Werner

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Erica Brumleve <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, November 07, 2015 5:37 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: RE: C15-2015-0147 and Outdoor Amphitheater located @ 8901 SH 71 West

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Ms. Heldenfels-

I am writing to request that the Board of Adjustment take the following actions regarding C15-2015-0147 and The Outdoor Amphitheater @ 8901 Hwy 71 West:

1. To request that the Board of Adjustment grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
2. To request that the Board of Adjustment direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates (HCE) HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

As you may be aware, the following has transpired pertaining to this issue:

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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Erica Brumleve
7301 Black Mountain Drive
Covered Bridge Neighborhood
Austin, TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Janet Stakes [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 5:27 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case #:C15-2015-0147
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RE: Case: C15-2015-0147
Life Austin-8901 SH71 West

Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

My husband and I have lived in Hill Country Estates for 21 years. We loved it because it was a small neighborhood, peaceful and quiet and away from the city lights and sounds. We have enjoyed that serenity all of these years until the last 4 or so years when our neighborhood found out that Life Austin Church was planning on building an amphitheater that would highly impact our peaceful enjoyment of our neighborhood. Now that it has been built, might I add without the proper channels of approval and against city zoning laws, it is definitely impacting our peaceful and quiet enjoyment.

I live at the far end of our neighborhood, furthest away from the venue. I opened my front door one Thursday night in particular and it sounded like the music was coming from a house on my cul-de-sac it was so loud. It took me a few minutes of looking up the street (which only has 9 houses on it) to realize it was coming from the amphitheater at Life Austin. I could tell because when the music stopped I could hear them talking to the audience. I couldn't believe how loud it was and felt sorry for my neighbors living on the side of the neighborhood closest to the venue. One neighbor who lives on the closer proximity side recently told me they had difficulty getting their very young children to sleep on a Thursday night because the music was so loud and it was literally rattling the windows in her house. I personally have called and registered a noise level complaint to Austin 311 on several occasions.

We were denied our proper and legal rights in regards to this venue, and based on the City of Austin zoning laws the amphitheater should not have been built on this site. We ask that you require them to tear it down or enclose it. Rural Residential zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood. We ask that the Board of Adjustment grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. We ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

This situation could also harm our property values. We have lived here too long to have this disrupt our lives, yet it is doing so. We demand this case be strongly considered by the BOA and ask their consideration of the laws violated be properly dealt with at this time.

Thank you for your time and consideration

*Janet & Doug Stakes
9609 Streamside Dr.
Austin, TX 78736
512-940-2422*

Heldenfels, Leane

From: KRISTIN DANSON [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 4:28 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Reference to case # C15-2015-0147 - Life Austin Amphitheatre at 8901 SH 71 West [REDACTED]

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Ms. Heldenfels,

I am one of the homeowners in Hill Country Estates, and own 6801 Bright Star homestead, and 6805 property. We greatly appreciate the BOA taking the time to hear the issues with the Life Austin Amphitheatre. I have lived in this neighborhood since 1999, and for the first time in the 16 years, I have considered moving out of the neighborhood. This summer and fall, with the numerous concerts and sound checks, I have not wanted to be home on Friday, Saturday, and Sundays. A time when typically I get to relax with family and friends by grilling out, lounging by the pool, and instead, I found myself trying to be gone from my home due to the noise of the Amphitheatre. We've had a church at the corner of Midwood Pkwy & 71 for 15 years, and have had no issues, so be clear this is not about a religious venue. With the Life Austin Amphitheatre at 8901 SH 71 West, it has completely disrupted our neighborhood. The music is so disturbingly loud that I can hear the lyrics clearly inside and outside my house, the bass thumps in my master bedroom and has wakened me from sleep, as well as the crowd cheering and performers yelling in the microphones. It's not pleasant. When I want to go to a concert, I go to enclosed arenas that are not in a residential areas, e.g. the Moody Theatre.

We ask that our residential area be respected. If I were to have a band at my house every weekend with hundreds of people, I am quite certain that Austin PD, the community, and my neighbors would all have something to say about it, and most definitely shut it down.

I am asking, that the BOA listen to our complaints and put themselves in our shoes, and grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA, as well as, direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed, before our property values go down, and our quality of a peaceful life in our little neighborhood goes away completely.

Please understand that in:

- section 25-2-921 of zoning code prohibits all outdoor assembly (public, historic and religious), including benefits, festivals, and other events likely to attract a mass gathering. Life Austin is zoned RR. (I would say 1500+ people is a mass gathering)

The approval of the amphitheatre has been such a violation of our civil liberties, the letter and spirit of the zoning code, and simply our quality of life.

I invite anyone on the committee to come to my house at 6801 Bright Star Lane when a concert is in play to understand the severity of this.

Thank you for your time and understanding.
Kristin Danson

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Kitten Ferrell [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 10:54 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: BOA Case C15-2015-0147

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Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

I am writing you regarding the upcoming Board of Adjustment meeting in which the above referenced case (C15-2015-0147) will be heard.

I am asking that the BOA give our homeowners due process regarding the Life Austin Church Amphitheater located at 8901 SH 71 West.

Specifically, I ask that the BOA grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association and Covered Bridge Property Owners Association.

I also ask that the BOA direct the City of Austin Staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by Hill Country Estates and Covered Bridge Associations to the BOA.

As a homeowner in Hill Country Estates, I am very concerned that this facility was ever allowed in a rural residential zoned area, and the lasting negative impact it is having on our homes, lives, and neighborhood.

The City of Austin's interpretation of religious assembly and the broad stretch of this interpretation that the City of Austin allowed this facility to use in constructing the amphitheater is gross over-reach under the guise of religion.

The zoning was never changed; the site plan went through under one person's interpretation of religious assembly (Greg Guernsey) ; we homeowners were never given notice; we were never given a public hearing; and the facility was built. Then the Life Austin Church applied for a sound permit, and then withdrew their application. They are currently operating their amphitheater under the residential sound code. I know of no "residences" that seat 1000+ people and CHARGE ADMISSION to events. This facility is a commercial venue and should have been zoned as such , (or turned down) and they should have to operate under the Temporary Use Permit guidelines as other events comply with. I find the continual sidestepping around zoning, codes, and regulations by this church reprehensible.

I ask for your fair and thoughtful consideration on this matter.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn (Blickhan) Ferrell and Robert Ferrell
6813 Bright Star Lane
Austin, TX 78736
(512) 288-4294

Sent from my iPad

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Kim del Angel [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 1:49 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Subject: Case Number C15-2015-0147 Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater 8901 SH 71 West

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Leane,

I am emailing on behalf of myself, my husband and our three boys as 10 year residents of Covered Bridge and Oak Hill. We love our neighborhood and Oak Hill. We built our home here because of the beauty and peace and quiet in the area and are truly heartbroken by the unjust decisions of city staff to allow the illegal building of the LifeAustin amphitheater.

The amphitheater is so disruptive to the area residents we can not relax in our backyards or homes and enjoy our precious family time without hearing rock concerts and seeing spotlights.

We are, to be quite honest, absolutely stunned the city staff would continually disregard our rights as citizens of Austin living in an appropriately zoned rural residential area expressly excluding amplified sound.

We are pleading with the board to put themselves in our shoes. What if it was their home, their peace and quiet, time with their family, their property value and their rights that have been so carelessly and heartlessly disregarded.

We respectfully request:

- The Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
- The Board of Adjustment to direct city staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.
- The hearing on the site plan and building permit appeals is currently on the BOA agenda for November 9, 2015 at 5:30 pm in City Council chambers. I ask that the request by the neighborhoods to postpone the hearing until December 9, 2015 be granted.

Thank you for your time.

Kim and Eli del Angel

Sent from my iPhone

Heldenfels, Leane

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 11:01 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: case ref number C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

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Dear Ms Heldenfels,

My wife and I have been a resident of Austin since 1995. We live in a very pleasant neighborhood called Hill Country Estates. Recently a new church " Life Austin " built a facility adjacent to our neighborhood. This is fine except they also built an out door music venue which is very loud and is having a negative effect on our pleasant home.

We pay our property taxes (about \$100,000 to date) to live here. We expect that the Government agencies will do their job and enforce the laws and statutes to protect us from intrusions of nuisances such as the out door music venue that Life Austin has illegally built and operated at 8901 SH 71 West. If this problem is not rectified we will lose our peaceful neighbor hood and a substantial loss of property value (probably as much as the taxes we have paid).This is wrong!

This is not the Austin we have come to know and love.

This can be fixed. Please

1. Ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
2. Ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

Respectively,
Fred and Faith Andrews
9405 murmuring Creek Drive
Austin ,Texas
E mail fandrews1@austin.rr.com

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Frank Goodloe [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 10:52 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West - Case number: C15-2015-0147

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Subject: Case Number C15-2015-0147
Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater 8901 SH 71 West

Ms. Heldenfels,

I am contacting you in your capacity as staff liaison for the Austin Board of Adjustment (BOA). As an 8 year resident of the Covered Bridge community, I have lived through 7 years of frustration with the intrusive behavior of Promiseland West/Life Austin Church and their determination to install an open air music venue with permanent sound amplification and a heavy schedule of events in the middle of our Rural Residential (RR) zoned neighborhood. This intrusion was inappropriately and illegally enabled and abetted by the City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department and its director, Greg Guernsey, refusing to forward our appeals of their decisions to the BOA, as required by law.

The Covered Bridge and Hill Country Estates neighborhoods have suffered with this intrusion for years. The neighborhoods have had to spend large sums of money trying to stop the amphitheater building and to contest the vacillating decisions and obstruction presented by Mr. Guernsey and other city staff. We have had multiple meetings with the church and offered many reasonable options, none of which were adopted. Now that the church has proceeded with building and operating this illegal music venue, residents are suffering intrusive sounds in their homes with doors closed and their TVs on.

This wrong needs to be righted. In that regard, I make the following requests:

- I ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
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Respectfully,

Frank Goodloe

6705 Covered Bridge Dr. Unit 10

Austin, Texas 78736

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Heldenfels, Leane

From: Dave Burns <~~burns@burns@gmail.com~~>
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 10:29 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin C15-2015-0147

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Ms. Heldenfels:

Good morning. I hope this communication finds you well. I am writing you this morning to forward my support to Hill Country Estates' appeal for revocation of LifeAustin's (located at 8901 SH 71 West) permit for an outdoor amphitheater in a residential area. I remember there being controversy surrounding the church and the amphitheater for some time, even before construction started. It concerns me greatly that such a venue was allowed to be constructed with such proximity to residential areas. If LifeAustin and the amphitheater already existed in place before the residences in the proximity were constructed we wouldn't be having this conversation.

Please forward my concern to an appropriate party. I appreciate your time. Feel free to contact me with questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Dave Burns
512 656 7572

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Matt [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 9:20 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Appeals

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Ms. Heldenfels, It is my hope that you would consider asking the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by the Hill Country Estates and the Covered Bridge HOA's in reference to case number: C15-2015-0147 (LifeAustin's church's amphitheatre issue). I am a resident of Austin in the Oak Hill area. [REDACTED]

Respectfully,
Matt Bales
6501 Wolfcreek Pass
Austin, TX. 78749

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Ben Ehlers [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 8:12 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: RE: BOA HEARING ABOUT LIFE AUSTIN OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER

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Hello Ms. Heldenfels,
regarding the case number C15-2015-0147: Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater (8901 SH 71 West):

I am a resident in Covered Bridge, and I am FOR allowing Life Austin to use and operate their Outdoor Amphitheater.

I am AGAINST this appeal (see email below) from our neighborhood association trying to prevent Life Austin from operating their outdoor amphitheater.

I believe that the Church Life Austin is a positive presence in our community and our neighborhood.

I am not a member of Life Austin Church, but I appreciate their positive presence and am thankful they are located near our neighborhood.

Thank you for considering my input in this matter. Kind regards,

-Benjamin Ehlers

8609 Fenton Dr.

Austin TX, 78736

ehlersb@hotmail.com

benjamin.j.ehlers@gmail.com

From: Tyhessia.Scott@stservices.com
To: Tyhessia.Scott@stservices.com
Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2015 16:37:29 -0600
Subject: INFORMATION RE: BOA HEARING ABOUT LIFE AUSTIN OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER

Residents who live in neighborhoods surrounding the LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater have expressed their concerns and opposition to the outdoor amphitheater for more than seven years. Two neighborhoods filed appeals regarding some of the unprecedented determinations made by city staff that allowed the outdoor amphitheater to be built.

It's important to note that under City code, *if a building permit or certificate of occupancy is determined to have been issued in error, it can be suspended and reversed by the City of Austin Board of Adjustment (BOA) regardless of the stage of building that has occurred.* LifeAustin and its pastor, Randy Phillips, were personally informed and in writing about this possibility well before they broke ground on building the outdoor amphitheater. Instead, they built the amphitheater and assumed the risk that they might not be able to use it in the future.

A hearing before the BOA is set for November 9, 2015; however, the neighborhoods have asked for a postponement to December 9, 2015. Please take a minute to share your personal experiences, opinions

and/or areas of concern in an email to the BOA. Your email should go to Leane Heldenfelds, the staff liaison for the BOA. Ms. Heldenfelds' email address is Leane.Heldenfelds@austintexas.gov

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Please reference:

1) the case number: C15-2015-0147, and

2) the address for LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West

If you can, please send your email before November 8, 2015 so the BOA members will know on November 9th how many people are interested in the appeal. Please do not attempt to communicate directly with any member of the BOA. All communications must be sent to Ms. Heldenfelds.

Background Facts

The following is a very brief description of how the outdoor amphitheater was administratively approved without any public hearings, and how City staff blocked all attempts to allow neighbors to appeal the unprecedented approvals:

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City's Approval of Outdoor Amphitheater Building Permit

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Some Areas of Concern

- Staff did not have the authority to administratively approve LifeAustin's construction of an outdoor amphitheater.

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- Ticketed concerts, plays and other forms of entertainment are not religious assembly.
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- If the code says non-residential zoning is required to have an outdoor event with more than 50 people, how can staff approve gatherings of 1,500 people in the RR zoning district?
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- The amphitheater should be enclosed.
- Rural Residential zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood.
- The LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater is not a residence and it is not quiet.
- Loud concerts on school nights are bad for school aged children.
- Harms property values. How would you feel if you could hear concert music inside your home?
- The approval of the outdoor amphitheater violates the letter and the spirit of the zoning code.

Actions YOU can take

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Email your comments to BOA staff liaison, Leane Heldenfelds, Leane.Heldenfelds@austintexas.gov

2. Please reference the case number: C15-2015-0147 and amphitheater address: 8901 SH 71 West.
3. Ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
4. Ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

A hearing on the site plan and building permit appeals is on the BOA agenda for November 9, 2015 at 5:30 pm in City Council chambers. The neighborhoods have asked to postpone the hearing until December 9. We will update you later when the hearing date is set.

Heldenfels, Leane

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From: Christie Claussen [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 11:26 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case #C15-2015-0147 re: 8901 SH 71 West
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Re: Case # C15-2015-0147
LifeAustin Amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West

As residents of the Covered Bridge subdivision, we are requesting that the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA be granted and that Staff be directed to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA.

We attended many meetings regarding the proposed LifeAustin (Dream City) church and amphitheater and were astounded when we learned of the City's approval of the building permit for the amphitheater. The manner in which the permit was approved did not allow us to express our opinions and concerns about the loose interpretation of "religious assembly" and the non-specificity of restrictions (e.g., type of events, number of events, hours of events) imposed upon the use of the amphitheater. We feel that the zoning code was not enforced in allowing this structure to be built, nor is it now being enforced as far as special use/sound permits.

We are concerned about the amplified sound from the amphitheater. We are concerned about increased traffic that large events bring to an already stressed Highway 71 and increased cut-through traffic in our neighborhood. Having seen cars parked on the shoulder of Highway 71 during church events even before the amphitheater was built, we are concerned about the safety issues created by insufficient parking to accommodate large events. We are concerned about the effect on our quality of life and about negative impact on our property values.

We feel that the City has shown a lack of integrity and lack of respect for us as citizens in its failure to enforce zoning codes, the unorthodox manner in which the building permit was approved and the denial of our due process. Therefore, we sincerely hope that the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA are granted and that Staff is directed to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA.

Christie & Ted Claussen
7401 Black Mountain Dr.
Austin, TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Alan Bennett [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 9:49 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: case number: C15-2015-0147 / 8901 SH 71 West, ATX
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Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

As a homeowner and resident of Hill County Estates, I would respectfully ask that the Board of Adjustment to **GRANT** the appeals filed in the above-referenced case and property, by the Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

I would also ask that the BOA direct its staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by the Hill County Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA, to the BOA.

My house is across from the amphitheater in question, separated by a single line of trees, and an open field. I doubt there is anyone in either of our two neighborhoods who hears the amphitheater any more than me and my family. I understand the noise of the highway, but I choose to live near the highway; I did not choose to move into a neighborhood with an amphitheater (the amphitheater came afterwards). I do not choose to listen to their music till 10:00 PM even though I'm *inside* my house. I do not wish to have the property value of my house diminished because of the church's music, etc...

Yet Please understand; *I support the church, I support their cause, their mission, and what they do.* It's hard to argue with their purpose and mission, and I don't. In fact, I'm not even one of the ones who think their amphitheater should be enclosed, torn down, etc... All I'd ask, is that they turn the music down to where we don't have to hear it.

As a lawyer, I'm puzzled by the process by which their permit was granted, and how they are now able to consider themselves "a residence" for purposes of playing loud music, i.e., a noise complaint is treated just

like a neighbor throwing a party. I'd love for the church to be considered a "residence," if they paid property taxes like everyone else does with their "residence."

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I would welcome you or any member of the BOA to come to my house during one of their concerts (let me know when you're coming and I'll have plenty of adult refreshments, I'll even cook burgers and hotdogs and you can envision what a cookout at my house would be like during a concert.

I'm puzzled how a church can build an amphitheater in a residential neighborhood, claim it's to be used for "religious assembly," and then charge admission to The Gatlin Brothers. It certainly looks (and sounds) like a commercial venue. OK, let's be honest, if they had Paul McCartney, or Meatloaf coming to play, I wouldn't be complaining (I have a wide range of musical tastes), but they don't.

I think the lawsuit is reasonable, I think the concerns of the HOA are reasonable. All we really need is for someone to come out and listen to a concert at full volume out here.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and while you may be thinking that I'm joking about have a cookout for the BOA, I'm not. Alan Bennett

Heldenfels, Leane

From: John Lethco [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 8:39 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: darryl@weichertlaw.com
Subject: RE: BOA Case Number: C15-2015-0147

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Regarding Case Number C15-2015-0147, Life Austin Amphitheatre, 8901 SH 71 West, Austin, TX 78735:

I strongly urge the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

I have been following the facts of this case and am surprised at the denial of due process and disregard for regulations and laws by the City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department.

I think the City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department has undermined the public's trust in this matter. This issue will not 'blow over' or just 'go away'.

The approval of this project was highly irregular and it is time for the BOA to take this matter into consideration in an even-handed and lawful manner.

Thank you,

John Lethco

6709 Debco Dr., Austin, TX 78749

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Darryl Pruett [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 5:54 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: FW: Case number: C15-2015-0147; Address: 8901 SH 71 West
Attachments: LifeAustin Amphitheatre OHAN Resolution3.pdf; LifeAustin Amphitheatre OHAN Resolution2.pdf; LifeAustin Amphitheatre OHAN Resolution.pdf

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Ms. Heldenfels:

Please forward these comments and resolutions to the members of the Board of Adjustment.

My name is Darryl Pruett. I am the President of OHAN, an umbrella group of nearly 40 neighborhood associations in the Oak Hill area.

Attached you will find the multiple resolutions OHAN membership has adopted in opposition to the amplified sound outdoor amphitheater being located in a residentially-zoned area.

As you can see, the neighborhoods' input has been ignored for at least 7 years (since 2008). As it stands right now, staff's erroneous interpretation has led to outdoor assembly in a residentially-zoned area. Plus, the outdoor assembly includes amplified sound. As a result, numerous homes are impacted, with multiple families being subjected to unwanted sounds in their own home, thus resulting in harm to the families and leading to a reduction in their property values because of this inappropriate and incompatible use.

There has never been, not once, any hearing at which the public could provide input on whether outdoor assembly with amplified sound would be appropriate in a residentially-zoned area.

The City has taken the position that Hill Country Estates (one of OHAN's member organizations) failed to appeal staff's email "determination" in 2008. The problem with that argument, of course, is that staff's email was private and was not revealed to Hill Country Estates (or to anyone, for that matter) in 2008.

As set forth in the Court of Appeals' decision, this Board, not City staff, must decide whether Hill Country Estates has standing to appeal the matters set forth in their appeals.

OHAN urges the Board to: (a) find that Hill Country Estates has standing to appeal the various decisions that are the subject of its appeals; (b) approve the appeals; and (c) reverse the administratively approved site development permit for the outdoor amphitheater and any related permits.

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Heldenfels, Leane

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From: Andy Salmon [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 5:50 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West, case number: C15-2015-0147 [REDACTED]

We live on Telluride Trail, not far from the amphitheater.

We are firmly opposed to allowing amplified sound outdoors at this site. Please include our position in your considerations.

Andy Salmon and Kim & James Harrigan
6711 Telluride Trail 78749

Sent from my iPad

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Phyllis Light [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 5:01 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: from a concerned citizen re: Life Austin Amphitheater

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Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

We are so grateful that at last, someone will listen to us regarding the travesty that has happened in our neighborhood, vis a vis the Life Austin Amphitheater. We are a peace-loving neighborhood, zoned "rural residential," yet, the amphitheater seems to be a commercial venue, with accompanying crowds, noise, and lights.

The problem is: Director Greg Guernsey approved the outdoor amphitheater as a religious assembly use. He said the zoning code did not make a distinction between indoor and outdoor religious assembly. This is incorrect. Section 25-2-921(C) of the zoning code prohibits all outdoor assembly (public, historic and religious), including benefits, festivals and other events likely to attract a mass gathering of people in the RR to SF-3 zoning districts. The LifeAustin property is zoned RR.

Section 25-2-921(C) of the zoning code authorizes the City Building Official to issue temporary use permits for outdoor gatherings of up to 50 people in SF-4 and less restrictive zoning districts. To have a gathering of more than 50 people, the property must be located in a non-residential zoning district.

The noise level of the concerts is unbelievable. Many of us have been bombarded by incredibly loud music, such that people can't hear their TVs over the music coming into their homes, and kids aren't able to go to sleep because of the loud noise.

Here are some of our concerns:

- Staff didn't have the authority to administratively approve LifeAustin's construction of an outdoor amphitheater.
- Plays, ticketed concerts and other forms of entertainment are NOT "religious assembly."
- The city should enforce the zoning code as it is plainly written.
- Staff's interpretations set a precedent to allow all church grounds to become outdoor entertainment venues.
- If the code says non-residential zoning is required to have an outdoor event with more than 50 people, how can staff approve gatherings of 1,500 people in the RR zoning district?
- The zoning code requires a "conditional use permit" (and public hearings) to be obtained before property owners can hold graduations, theatrical plays/productions, meetings, concerts, recitals, ballets, family movie nights, and other events in an event center. This requirement has been ignored by staff.
- The amphitheater should be enclosed.
- Rural Residential zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood.
- The LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater is not a residence and it is not quiet.
- Loud concerts on school nights are bad for school aged children.
- Harms property values. How would you feel if you could hear concert music inside your home?
- The approval of the outdoor amphitheater violates the letter and the spirit of the zoning code.

We have been attempting to be heard on this for the past 7 years. Thank you so much for hearing our concerns and supporting us in rectifying this unthinkable situation. We don't understand how this happened, and we want to at least have them enclose the amphitheater ~~in the creek bed~~ neighborhood and all our property values. We are hoping to be heard by the Board of Adjustment as well. Apparently Pastor Randy Phillips was aware that he was taking a risk building the amphitheater and knew that at some point, he may be prevented from using it.

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Thank you so much for your assistance with this.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Light, Ph.D., a resident of Hill Country Estates, right next to LifeAustin.

(Case reference number: C15-2015-0147 and amphitheater address: 8901 SH 71 West)

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Robyn Lively [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 4:20 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: [Released] Life Outdoor Amphitheatre

505

In reference to case number: C15-2015-0147 and the amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West, I am writing to ask the Board of Adjustment to **grant** the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

Also, please have the Board of Adjustment direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

Sincerely,

Robyn L. Lively

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Doug Vogelsass ~~dvogelsa@cityofaustin.org~~
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 11:10 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: case number: C15-2015-0147

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Ms. Heldenfels,

I am writing in regards to the BOA hearing for case number: C15-2015-0147, the appeal hearing for the request that city code be followed in the case of the outdoor amphitheater at LifeAustin Church located at 8901 SH 71 West.

I support the Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge Property Owners Association as well as residents in surrounding neighborhoods whose quality of life and property values are being diminished by the excessive noise that is often and regularly produced by events at the LifeAustin amphitheater. The amphitheater is a nuisance to the surrounding neighborhoods and its use is incongruent with the intent and spirit of its zoning.

I live within one mile of the amphitheater and am often disturbed by the noise from these events. I am also a Realtor who focuses on this area and it is clear that buyers who are aware of the existence of the amphitheater and/or the noise disturbances are hesitant to value the homes in the area as highly as they would if there were not an outdoor concert venue at LifeAustin.

I strongly urge the City of Austin to consider the concerns and complaints about LifeAustin's use of the amphitheater and hold firm all applicable regulations to protect the quality of life and property values of the surrounding neighborhoods.

Thank you,

Doug
Vogelsass

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Ed Reynolds
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2015 12:07 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Life "church"

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507

My name is Ed Reynolds.

I service the instruments of many top musicians in this town, nationwide and world-wide. Been at that trade for 35 years.

I like loud music. I go out to HEAR loud music in clubs like the Saxon Pub or the Continental.

I also PLAY loud music, in a music room I built on my residence.

None of my neighbors ever hear that, because I built my music space so as not to destroy the quality of life of my neighbors.

That, of course, is in stark contrast to what Life Austin "church" does.

The noise from LA "church" DESTROYS the quality of life of it's neighbors, because they have CHOSEN to trample on that quality of life, by failing to design their (for-profit) venue to contain that sound, and/ or design a sound system to "rock" their audiences, while also RESPECTING their neighbors.

As a person who has helped design sound systems, I can assure you that it's "not rocket science" to do that. As a person who got co-operation from ATT&T re the noise from their generators on Circle drive, (and got it quieted down) I can say that folks CAN build things do contain/ minimize their noise. Cost is NOT excessive.

By the way: those neighbors who are being sonically assaulted were here LONG before LA "church". Those neighbors pay the taxes which support this city and those who preside in / are employed by various offices.

THOSE folks, whop are intent upon preserving the quality of life in their neighborhoods are the folks you need to be listening to. THEY are the "backbone" of true community spirit, whether LA "church" advertises itself as such, or not.

In my personal view, and knowing what it takes to manage sound, LA "church" is uncaring as to it's effect on it's neighbors, and possibly corrupted by the prospect of riches.

I am also VERY impressed that not one of the folks who have been assaulted by the noise from LA church has wished for it's demise, and that they ONLY want the peace and quiet BACK ... Peace and quiet that they HAD before LA" church" spewed forth it's unjustifiable degradation of the quality of life that they call "spiritual". So; Kudos to those assaulted, and a severe "shame on you" to the insensitive / myopic/ greedy, who have no respect for people's serenity and peaceful existence.

You might think that I'd be on the side of LOUD Music, since I assist folks who do that for a living.

However; I am MORE on the side of folks who have worked hard for many years to buy the homes they purchased FOR peace and quiet, and FOR a neighborhood that is NOT slated to become the new "6th street west".

The noise from LA "church" is taking the whole area in that unwanted, unwelcome and undesirable direction. I CAN HEAR THE NOISE FROM LA "church" in my yard, ONE MILE AWAY, as the crow flies. THAT is not right!

Regardless of the label of "church" or not; this is NO different than Senor Buddy's (Thankfully gone) that visited it's noise upon Westview estates without consideration or conscience.

55 of us signed a petition objecting to that.

Bottom line: The folks that "make the rules" need to know that what makes Austin "a cut above" so far as a place to live is the QUALITY OF LIFE. ... THAT attracts folks.

Re that : LOUD UNWANTED NOISE in neighborhoods that were here LONG BEFORE noise from places like LA "church" destroy that quality of life, and that kind of thing needs to be stopped / prohibited.

AND; you can BE ASSURED that folks who sell their properties to escape the noise from LA : "church" will suffer a LARGE loss of market value re their homes as a DIRECT result of the excessive noise from LA "church".

The point is this: If present statutes do not support the residents, the taxpayers, then those statutes need to be amended in favor of those residents: The BACKBONE of Austin.

If those who "make the rules" cannot respect Austinites, and support the base of their own support, then perhaps they need to be "amended" too.

By the way; I have volunteered / participated for NO money to help w/ the cleanup after Rita and Katrina. I did that with a church group. I'm NOT anti-church.

Also: I have a roof leak, a \$2000.000 water bill from a busted line, a dead pool pump etc. For me to devote my time to writing this means I am serious in support of my neighbors, and in support of Austin in general.

I personally can only hear the noise from LA "church" a mile away, so it's not a big deal to me. But if I let my neighbors suffer (in the extreme) at the hands of for-profit concert promoters, (like I and my neighbors suffered re Senor Buddy's) then who am I?

And who are you?

I encourage all to step up to the plate on this issue.

Ed Reynolds

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C15-2015-0147

Heldenfels, Leane

From: alfred stlouis [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 10:34 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Life Austin Noise Permit

FJ
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I live in Westview Estates, just about 1/2 mile from this Church/Commercial Music venture, and I strongly oppose the permit which allows these folks to blast our neighborhood with loud, amplified music! I support the several surrounding neighborhoods who are requesting the permit to be revoked. The Church could easily enclose the amphitheatre, but they apparently insist on sound blasting us in hopes we will be converted and join in on the Rock music.

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Alan Watts [mailto:alan@lifeaustin.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:22 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin amphitheater

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RE: LifeAustin Amphitheater, 8901 SH 71 West.
Case number: C15-2015-0147

Hi,

My name is Alan Watts and I have lived on Thomas Springs Road since 1999. My house is less than 4,000' (and almost exactly perpendicular) to the LifeAustin amphitheater and it has been an unwelcome addition to my peaceful, rural homestead. This type of entertainment venue does not belong in this area. I ask the Board of Adjustments to grant the appeals and forward the TUP appeal filed by the similarly affected neighborhoods of Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge HOA.

I set up a website to track noise complaints from adjacent neighbors: <http://www.datax.com/lifeaustin/>

As you can see, there are many others affected besides the two neighborhoods. This issue needs to be resolved as our quality of life is suffering.

Thanks,
Alan Watts

Heldenfels, Leane

From: david VanDelinder [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 11:35 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Subject: Case C15-2015-0147 (amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West)
[REDACTED]

12/5/11

This message concerns various pending matters regarding the LifeAustin amphitheater located at 8901 SH 71 West. Despite our efforts as neighbors to reach some accommodation with Life Austin Church, today neighborhoods surrounding the church amphitheater are exposed to noise pollution that is reducing our quality of life and our property values. Please support Austin neighborhoods.

I am respectfully asking the Board of Adjustment to take several actions:

- Agree to the neighborhoods' request for postponement (from November 9 to December 9);
- Grant the site plan and building permit appeals filed by HCEHOA and Covered Bridge POA ("CBPOA"); and
- Instruct City staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by HCEHOA and CBPOA to the Board of Adjustment.

Thank you.

David VanDelinder
6800 Midwood Parkway
Austin, Texas 78736
(512) 762-1519
dovandelinder@gmail.com

Heldenfels, Leane

From: John Abel <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 12:26 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: RE: Case # C15-2015-0147 8901 SH 71 West

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Ms. Heldenfels,

I have concern of Case C15-2015-0147 concerning the amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West.

When I built my home on Midwood Pkwy 22 years ago it was with the understanding that the zoning of the property in my area would prevent something like the amphitheater nearby from being built and from interfering with the rural neighborhood existence I was buying into.

While I knew urban sprawl would someday touch our area, I never suspected that City staff would be able to ignore city code and the residents affected by choosing unilaterally to form their own interpretation of City code.

Now I am enduring with regularity, rock concerts and other loud assemblies keeping me awake on event nights up to a late hour for me. I am normally somewhat early to bed and early to rise.

My feeling is that it is a classic example of a corrupt bureaucracy when one civil servant or a small group of civil servants can ignore codes and laws and act from their own imaginations or in their own self-interests.

Furthermore, it is my understanding that these unlawful acts by the City staff can be reversed by the City of Austin Board of Adjustment. I sincerely hope that the BOA does the just thing by reversing the actions of what I now consider to be an unlawful City staff.

Sincerely,

John Abel
6807 Midwood Pkwy.
Austin, Tx. 78736

PS I'm 63 years old and while I love rock music, I can no more tolerate a concert in my back yard than I would my neighbor's kid playing his stereo at top volume in his driveway outside my bedroom window at 11pm.

Heldenfels, Leane

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 12:36 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Amphitheater concerns

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My husband and I have lived in Hill Country Estates for 25 years. It has been a lovely, peaceful neighborhood until Life Austin built an amphitheater in the middle of our neighborhoods. Our neighborhoods have been here for many years before the amphitheater was built. When they have a concert, we can hear the music and the cheering very loudly on our property. We can't sit outside and enjoy a nice evening without having the intrusion of their loud music. In reference to the case #C15-2015-0147 and Life Austin Church Amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West, please grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. Please have your staff forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA. We would love to enjoy the outdoors and be able to sit in enjoyment of nature again.

Thank you very much,

Dixie Schroeder
7005 Midwood Parkway
Austin, Texas 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Jim Buck [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 12:58 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: Eli del Angel; Mike Kirk; Info (Ellen for Austin)
Subject: Life Austin Amphitheater Case: C15-2015-0147

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Ms. Heldenfels:

The Covered Bridge POA contends that they have "no issues" with the "entity" however, their actions speak louder than words.

I was appointed to their Board of Directors for nearly a year with no issues and then it was casually mentioned that I was a member of Life Austin. Things deteriorated quickly, I was ridiculed, I was challenged and accused of being an operative of the church. To this day I cannot ask for information without having to confirm for the POA Board that the information will not be provided to the church. This is of particular note as the POA Board repeatedly states "we have no issue with the church..." Yet, they kicked me off for having a different philosophical perspective... I'd would argue they certainly view Life Austin from an adversarial perspective. They didn't view me any different until I disclosed I was a member of Life Austin, that is discriminatory.

As a resident of Covered Bridge I respectfully request the Board of Adjustment deny the appeals filed by Hill County Estates and Covered Bridge Property Owners Associations respectively. Further, I would request that the hearing on the site plan proceed as scheduled on November 9th.

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****TLPP is now Texas Legal! Please update your contact information with my new email address. Thank you.***

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Beki Halpin [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 1:38 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case #C15-2015-0147 [REDACTED]

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Regarding Case #C15-2015-0147 and the amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West,

I am asking that the BOA 1) grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.

and 2) direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

The process regarding the permitting of this amphitheater as a place of worship when it is really a huge outdoor entertainment venue that blasts unwanted sound out into the neighborhoods was non-transparent and likely illegal. Neighborhoods need to feel that city staff regards the laws and codes of the city as binding for large developers and for religious institutions as well as the ordinary resident.

This could set a precedent that allows all religious properties to become outdoor entertainment venues regardless of where they are located.

Thank you,
Beki Halpin
7107 Stone Ledge Circle
Austin, TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Maria Reinke [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 8:55 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West, case number: C15-2015-0147

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Hello,

I am so happy to hear that all is not lost in the case against the Life Austin Amphitheater.

Our home is on Covered Bridge Drive and we get a "lovely view" of the metal church building that houses the Life Austin fellowship. As I write this, it strikes me that this building is a perfect example of pastor Randy Phillips' duplicitous nature. The front façade of this building is very attractive, but look in the back and you see a cold shell. However, as unsightly as the church building is, my real complaint is the amphitheater. I do not impose my music on my neighbors and have no wish to have Life Austin impose their music on me. I am just a hardworking person who looks forward to enjoying my own backyard on the weekend, in the peace and serenity that comes from nature's songs, be it coyotes or cardinals - not loud music.

Please consider rescinding the permit for the amphitheater.

Thanks,
Maria Reinke
512-638-6609

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Teresa Garcia [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 6:25 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Re: case number: C15-2015-0147 at 8901 SH 71 West
[REDACTED]

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Ms Heldenfelds:

As a resident of Westview Estates whose quality of life has been severely negatively impacted by the gross zoning violations of the Life Austin Church's outdoor amphitheater, I am asking you to please communicate to the Board of Adjustments that the actual community surrounding the church property is not enhanced or in any way "blessed" by the amplified outdoor events. Please grant the appeals requests filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA, which they filed not only on their behalf but on the behalf of all of the neighborhoods that surround Life Austin Church. I also ask that the Board of Adjustments staff direct the TUP appeal to the Board of Adjustments. We intentionally moved out to a rural residential area to be able to enjoy peace and quiet. If I had wanted to live next door to a live music venue, I would have moved to Belterra near Nutty Brown Cafe.

Respectfully,
Teresa Garcia

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Charlsa gmail [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 7:04 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147 (amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West)

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This message concerns various pending matters regarding the LifeAustin amphitheater located at 8901 SH 71 West (your case number C15-2015-0147). Although I now live in the Zilker neighborhood, I owned a home and lived in Hill Country Estates from 1994 to 2011. The issues surrounding the amphitheater began when I was an officer in Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association ("HCEHOA"); and as a result of the City's inappropriate handling of filings through these past years, these same issues can now have a huge negative impact on residential properties throughout the greater Austin area.

Accordingly, I am respectfully asking the Board of Adjustment to take several actions:

- Agree to the neighborhoods' request for postponement (from November 9 to December 9);
- Grant the site plan and building permit appeals filed by HCEHOA and Covered Bridge POA ("CBPOA"); and
- Instruct City staff to forward the Temporary Use Permit appeal filed by HCEHOA and CBPOA to the Board of Adjustment.

Thank you.

Charlsa Bentley (78704)

***If not for the dark of night,
there would be no stars. ***

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Don Emerson [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 9:49 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: C15-2015-0147 / 8901 SH 71 West Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater

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re: case number: C15-2015-0147 / 8901 SH 71 West Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater

Ms. Heldenfels,

I thank you for this opportunity to share our experience living near the Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater.

I have two children in school (grades 4 and 8), and the loud amplified rock music emanating from Life Austin's Outdoor Amphitheater has been so loud *inside* our house that it's distracted my children from both homework and sleep. Loud thumping bass which has reverberated off our windows like a drum.

While this *was* a quiet rural residential neighborhood, and I don't understand how Life Austin has been allowed to build a concert venue within a rural residential zone, and continues to perform loud performances with no concern for it's neighbors.

I don't object to Life Austin joining the neighborhood, but to have loud, amplified concerts and performances, particularly after dark on school nights, is unreasonable.

There would be no complaint if the church took the money from their ticketed amplified performances and simply enclosed their amphitheater. Likewise non-amplified performances before sundown would be raise no objection. We should not however be subjected to such noise in our neighborhood and residences. We wish and deserve to enjoy quiet in our yards and homes again.

Please grant the appeals by the Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA, and direct their TUP appeal to the Board of Adjustment.

This is a residential neighborhood, and we deserve some peace.

Thank you, Don Emerson

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Marquis, Terry [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 9:42 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: C15-2015-0147 BOA HEARING ABOUT LIFE AUSTIN OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER @ 8901 SH 71 West

11/5/20

Hello Leane,

We just wanted to write a quick email concerning this case.

1. This venue is very disruptive to the peace and quiet of our rural residential neighborhood. The events prevent the enjoyment of our home where we have lived for 26 years. As an example, our pets howl and cry during concerts. We can hear most events in our living room, so our home is not even a safe haven from this noise pollution.
2. Please grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA.
3. Please also direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

Thank You for your attention,

Janet and Terry Marquis
6804 Bright Star Lane
AUS TX 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: CR Miertschin [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 9:05 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case number: C15-2015-0147, LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West

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Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

We have been residents of Hill Country Estates since June 1990, and we are writing in regard to the subject case and facility.

This is our retirement home and we selected this subdivision because of the large lots, privacy, easy access to our church, and the hill country atmosphere; which is unusually quiet for a residential neighborhood and includes an abundance of wildlife.

But now, this inviting and treasured way of life has been destroyed by loud music which can be heard indoors, which is a total disruption of the peace and quiet which we have for so long enjoyed in our senior years.

To allow the construction of an amphitheater in rural residential zoning is shocking and unbelievable. But, this is what happened and this is not right, and apparently major errors were made during the planning and permitting process.

To help make this right, we ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA, and to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

Sincerely,

CR and Amanda Miertschin
7000 Bright Star Lane
Austin, TX 78736
512-288-5385

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Matt Julian [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 8:23 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case Number: C15-2015-0147
Attachments: LifeChurch9-3-15.wav

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Dear Ms. Heldenfelds,

I am a resident of Hill Country Estates and am writing on behalf of my family with regard to the outdoor amphitheater at Life Austin Church at 8901 SH 71 W., Austin, TX.

Though our residence is located approximately 1 mile from the amphitheater we are severely impacted by the sound emanating from the venue whenever a live event is held there. For your edification, I have attached a small recording of one such event taken from the top of our driveway. I hope you will give a listen.

By way of this mail, I would like to request and encourage that the Board of Adjustment grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. I would also like to ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

I thank you advance for your assistance.

Best regards,
Matt Julian
6708 Bright Star Lane
Austin, TX 78783
512-586-7035
[REDACTED]

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Terrie Raymond [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 6:33 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147 / 8901 SH 71 West - LifeAustin

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Importance: High

Dear Ms. Heldenfels-

It is my understanding you are the staff liason for the Austin Board of Adjustment in connection with the above referenced matter. I wish to express my support that the Board of Adjustment:

- 1) Grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association and the Covered Bridge Homeowners Associations.
- 2) Direct City staff to forward to the Board of Adjustment the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association and the Covered Bridge Homeowners Associations.

I oppose the outdoor amphitheater and request that a review by the Austin Board of Adjustment result in suspension and reversal of all building permits and/or occupancy permits in Case C15-2015-0147 / LifeAustin - 8901 SH 71 West.

For over 5 years the respective Homeowners Associations for Covered Bridge and Hill Country Estates have maintained regular contact with the City Council and Planning and Zoning Department, registering as materially affected parties in order to submit orderly input to the process and voice concerns. The original site plan was not approved in the normal and routine manner, and instead managed by City staff using private emails. The City should be accepting equal input from both sides of this issue, but for reasons unknown it has clearly maneuvered and swerved to avoid cooperation with the neighborhoods, disallowing any public input or hearings.

The negative impact of a 1,500 person outdoor entertainment facility within a few hundred feet of two (soon to be three) residential neighborhoods should be obvious. Safety. Noise. Traffic. I would like to add that I have personally attended a public meeting where the LifeAustin Executive Pastor announced intent to use the amphitheater for amplified, outdoor music events at least twice a month, and would not need any conditional use permits to operate! How could LifeAustin reasonably expect to prevent adverse impact to homes adjacent to their property from sound levels generated by an outdoor event staged to be heard by 1,500 attendees?

I ask the Austin Board of Adjustment to at last consider the long denied appeals of the homeowners of Covered Bridge and Hill Country Estates and also the following:

- 1) Rural Residential zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood;
- 2) LifeAustin outdoor amphitheater is not a residence. It is a for-profit, commercial, entertainment facility. It is not quiet;
- 3) Initial approval by City staff of the amphitheater ignored outdoor assembly zoning regulations pertaining to outdoor assembly (Section 25-2-921C).

Regards-

Terrie Raymond
7004 Covered Bridge Drive
Austin, Tx 78736

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Heldenfels, Leane

From: Carolyn Barkley [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 5:54 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case Number C15-2015-1047, LifeAustin 8901 SH71 West

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Board of Adjustment, City of Austin:

Please grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. And please direct the staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

The Staff did not have the authority to administratively approve LifeAustin's construction of an outdoor amphitheater. Ticketed concerts, plays and other forms of entertainment are not religious assembly.

Staff's interpretations set a precedent for all church grounds to become outdoor entertainment venues.

The subdivisions of Hill Country Estates and Cover Bridge were in existence before the LifeAustin's amphitheater were approved and built. Now, we have lost our right to a peaceful and quiet life.

The "music" is so loud in our homes and surrounding property, we cannot talk to each other, the children cannot sleep, we are forced to listen to music we do not choose to hear and the value of our homes has decreased.

Section 25-2-921 (C) of the zoning code prohibits all outdoor assembly, including benefits, festivals and other events likely to attract mass gatherings of people in the RR to SF-3 zoning districts. LifeAustin is zoned RR.

Please grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge HOA so we can have peace and quiet again in our subdivisions and direct Staff to forward the TUP appeal to the BOA.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Barkley
PO Box 92169
Austin, TX 78709-2169
[REDACTED]

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Barton Wilder RT [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 5:53 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Life Austin Outdoor Amphitheater

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Dear Ms Heldenfels,

I have lived in Westview Estates since 1997. I moved into this neighborhood, with its tranquility and peace, BECAUSE it was an established rural area where my family and I could enjoy the privacy and quietude it provided. We have narrow streets and no street lights so it's quite lovely at night. One can hear coyotes barking and the call of Great Horned Owls. Although there is some light pollution that spills over from the city, it is still a place where one can star watch in the evening, as we often do.

Now, our tranquil, rural residential neighborhood has been upended by the intrusion of a mammoth church campus and its enormously loud amphitheater that seats more than a thousand. The church sponsors weeknight for-profit rock concerts. I note that their website currently lists only free events. This is a ruse, as that has certainly not been the case in the past several years.

I feel strongly that the City employee who approved this travesty made a grave mistake, totally failing to take into consideration the concerns of the neighbors who must endure this organization's assaults on our ears and our patience. No one should have their rights to live undisturbed removed by a bureaucrat who either failed to grasp the intentions of Life Austin or chose to ignore the rights of the many neighbors who pre-existed.

I hope you will consider my rights and the rights of my neighbors to live undisturbed and unmolested by music that invades my home. Please reverse the decision regarding this organization's permitting. The case # is C15-2015-0147. LifeAustin Church is located at 8901 SH 71 West.

Most Sincerely,

Laura L. Barton

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Sharon Figaro [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 3:48 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane; 'Greg Figaro (g [REDACTED]
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

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Leane,

We built our house in Hill Country Estates more than 20 years ago. What attracted us to the neighborhood was the serenity, wildlife, and friendly neighbors. That has all changed since the Life Austin Amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West has been allowed to book concerts that seat up to 1500 people. The music can be heard not only outside but INSIDE our home as well. We hear the guitars, bass, and lyrics. If a concert is booked we cannot go to sleep until the concert is over. Our serenity is now taken over by loud music, the wildlife is diminishing and the church is by no means friendly neighbors.

We are confused and frightened that this facility can be zoned and allowed for such concerts. Not only for our neighborhood but other neighborhoods in Austin. I would hate for this to happen to our friends and family who live in Austin, which includes you and your family. We still believe Austin is a great place to live and that we look after each other.

Please help us make this right and fair to all neighbors.

Sharon & Greg Figaro
6911 Bright Star Lane
Austin, Texas 78736

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Frank [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 2:09 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case number: C15-2015-0147 concerning LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West

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Importance: High

Ms. Heldenfels,

Case number: **C15-2015-0147** concerning LifeAustin: **8901 SH 71 West**

My name is Frank Bongiorno and live at 9404 Summer Sky Drive Austin, TX 78736. I am located partially within the Austin City Limits.

My Homestead:

Account #		Owner Name	Ownership Information		Legal Description		
			Mailing Address				
01015002040000		BONGIORNO FRANK J	9404 SUMMER SKY DR AUSTIN, TX 78736-2423		LOT 3 BLK E HILL COUNTRY PHS II-A		
2014 Tax Year Detail							
Taxing Unit		Assessed Value	Net Taxable Value	Base Due	Penalty/Interest	Attorney Fees/Other Fees	
AUSTIN ISD		\$332,520.00	\$317,520.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
CITY OF AUSTIN (TRAV)		\$8,793.00	\$8,793.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TRAVIS COUNTY		\$332,520.00	\$266,016.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TRAVIS COUNTY ESD #3		\$323,727.00	\$323,727.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TRAVIS CENTRAL HEALTH		\$332,520.00	\$266,016.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
ACC (TRAVIS)		\$332,520.00	\$327,520.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

I also own the adjoining lot within the City:

		Ownership Information	
Account #	Owner Name	Mailing Address	Legal Description
01015002120000	BONGIORNO FRANK	9404 SUMMER SKY DR AUSTIN, TX 78736-2423	LOT 2 BLK E HILL COUNTRY PHS II-A

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2014 Tax Year Detail					
Taxing Unit	Assessed Value	Net Taxable Value	Base Due	Penalty/Interest	Attorney Fees/Other Fees
AUSTIN ISD	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CITY OF AUSTIN (TRAV)	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TRAVIS COUNTY	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TRAVIS COUNTY ESD #3	\$37,800.00	\$37,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TRAVIS CENTRAL HEALTH	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ACC (TRAVIS)	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Note: I did partake in the sound test but was unable to access any information after logging into the website as directed so I consider this test unacceptable and should be redone. I was not the only resident within my neighborhood who was unable to review this information during the test. **This is was never resolved.**

I do work from home and was unable to concentrate during the day before, during and after the testing was done because of the loud music from the church. The sound levels were bouncing on my windows and I found it impossible to concentrate on my work. I am certain that continued music blasting will effect my work and thus my ability to provide for my family.

I also can't imagine to have to endure the constant bass and high pitches of the noise while trying to enjoy life with my family anywhere within or outside my residence. This will undoubtedly create a higher stress level on time off when I should be relaxing and makes it harder to concentrate during my work hours. As it stands now, I can hear the music playing within the church from my front and backyard in the early hours of the morning. If the City chooses to keep allowing an outside music venue for church and/or private events would be catastrophic to my life. I would undoubtedly have to sell the house I have been in for so long and love and take a lower price since **my home and property value will depreciate.**

It seems absurd that this type of noise pollution should be allowed around our peaceful neighborhood when **that land was never zoned to be allowed.** I have been living at this location for approximately 20 years and never before until now that **I fell like my rights to live in a peaceful environment have been violated** so much by this noisy nuisance.

Map of locations:



Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Frank & Kristina Bongiorno
9404 Summer Sky Drive
Austin, TX 78736
(512) 288-0637

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Daloma Armentrout [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 1:30 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: LifeAustin Amphitheater, 8901 SH 71 West, C15-2015-0147

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re: C15-2015-0147
LifeAustin Amphitheater, 8901 SH 71 West

Dear Ms. Heldenfelds:

I am requesting that the Board of Adjustment grant the appeals filed by the Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association and the Covered Bridge Property Owners Association in the above appeal pending before the BOA.

LifeAustin's outdoor amplified events are clearly prohibited by code. Their outdoor amphitheater is on property zoned Rural Residential. RR zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood. City Staff did not have the authority to administratively approve LifeAustin's construction of an outdoor amphitheater. The City should enforce the zoning code as it is plainly written. Unfortunately, Staff's interpretations set a precedent to allow all church grounds to become outdoor entertainment venues.

Either we have land use and zoning restrictions to protect neighborhood values, and the property tax base, or we do not. Planning and Development assured us that no amphitheater could be built with administrative approval, but that a zoning case (public hearings) would be required. Despite that assurance based on the letter, spirit, and history of code, City Staff then privately (and without public process), created interpretations that gutted our zoning protections. Neighborhoods are being subjected to frequent

professionally amplified entertainment events, and being deprived of peace,
the quiet enjoyment of our property, and due process.

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I also respectfully request that the Board of Adjustment direct staff to forward the temporary use permit appeal filed by the Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA for its review and determination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Daloma Armentrout
dalomala@earthlink.net

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Roy Shamir [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 12:25 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147 regarding Life Austin at 8901 SH 71 West
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Dear Ms. Heldenfels,

I am writing regarding the upcoming BOA hearing on the subject of the Life Austin amphitheater. I hope I can help shed some light on one affected neighbor's point of view.

Over the last several years, I have witnessed repeated attempts by our neighborhood to protest the permit, construction and operation of the Life Austin amphitheater. To date, these attempts were fruitless, leading to an intolerable situation in our neighborhood.

We chose to live in the suburbs of Austin so that we can create a safe and peaceful space for our family of 5. We moved from a busy urban area of Israel straight to our house in Bright Star Lane 10 years ago, and were immensely thankful for our fortune to be able to live with such peace and quiet in the beautiful Austin area.

However, the operation of the amphitheater has become a serious hindrance to our peace and quiet. Some of the louder concerts can be heard clearly in our back yard, and in the children's bedrooms upstairs. We have a 6 year old son whose bedtime routine starts at 7:30-8:00PM. So even if the concert ends at 9PM, this is still a serious disturbance. We are relatively fortunate: the noise level reaching us is not nearly as high as some other residents are experiencing; when taking walks in the neighborhood, several times I was appalled to witness the incredibly loud sound levels that my neighbors down the street are experiencing.

Quite frankly, we have considered moving out of our home because of this disturbance. We love our home and hope that we never have to do so. We also have a deep concern regarding our property value given the current conditions.

I appreciate you taking the time to learn more about the disturbance in our neighborhood. I'm very hopeful that you will be able to help us with this predicament.

With regards,
Roy Shamir
7101 Bright Star Lane

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Marlene Warner [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 11:55 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Case #C15-2015-0147
[REDACTED]

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M's Heldenfelds:

I am e-mailing you in regards to case number: C15-2015-0147 of Life Austin amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West.

I hope you consider this case serious to all of us living in Hill Country Estates and the surrounding communities. We never got our due process and the noise has become a big nuisance to all of us living out here. Since they began their concerts this past summer it has disrupted our lives. The noise is unbelievable.

I have lived out here for over 25 years. We bought our property and built our home to enjoy the beauty and the sounds of nature. Unfortunately, this ended for us and we now are forced to listen to the music or come into the house. On the other hand, coming into the house does not help either because the sound goes through our brick wall and disrupts us listening to TV.

Numerous times, I called 311 to file a complaint and I also talked to District Rep. Officer Binder who actually told me that they are within the sound limit and cannot do anything about it. He works for the city. Then your city staff actually let Pastor Randy build his amphitheater when it should have never happened. Life Austin outdoor amphitheater is not a residence and it is not quiet. How would you like your life to be disrupted like ours?

A couple of weeks ago, my husband and I made a nice dinner, to sit out on our deck only to have to bring everything in due to the noise of his band. Needless, to say this ended when they began playing their music.

I have problems with my heart and the anxiety of having to listen to this excess noise doesn't help my PAC & PVC's and presently being treated for them. All of this anxiety comes from a Pastor who would not build an indoor theater. He told us he wanted to spread the word of the lord through his music. For a man who preaches peace why did he have to take it away from us?

I am asking you and the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and Covered Bridge POA and to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filled by us.

This is important to me and I beg that you listen to my request to finally end this and give us back our peace and quiet.

Sincerely,

Marlene & Beak Warner
7001 Midwood Parkway

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Michael Owen [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 9:59 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: make_mister04@yahoo.com
Subject: BOA Case# C15-2015-0147
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This message is from Michael Owen. [REDACTED]

reference: case number: C15-2015-0147

LifeAustin: 8901 SH 71 West

Ms. Heldenfels:

This e-mail is to inform you of my desire to postpone the meeting scheduled for November 8 until December. I admit that I was disappointed to learn of the back-door process that was used to keep affected residents out of the loop of approval. Residents who moved into their Rural Residential neighborhoods to enjoy the peace and quiet of the country atmosphere.

As a longtime resident of the city, I also note that this was the culmination of decades of failed attempts by Master Randy to create such a venue on the grounds of his father's private church in downtown Austin. In the months preceding the stated Grand Opening of his new and profitable LifeAustinAmp in which his personal band was showcased and included multiple rotating searchlights in the sky, we have been subjected to objectionable noise from concerts who's ticket prices range up into the \$40+ range.

Inside of our houses we can hear Music, Base vibrations, and crowd noise for durations of the event. This doesn't include the additional annoyance of noise generated from sound checks when setting up that may happen hours before, or the day before the event in which Travis County Deputies serve as parking lot attendants.

Heldenfels, Leane

From: P Jones <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2015 9:18 PM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Subject: Board of Adjustment Case: C15-2015-0147; LifeAustin amphitheater: 8901 SH 71 West

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Dear Ms. Heldenfelds:

I am requesting that the Board of Adjustment **grant** the appeals filed by the Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association and the Covered Bridge Property Owners Association in the above appeal pending before the BOA.

LifeAustin's outdoor amphitheater is on property that is zoned Rural Residential. RR zoning means a rural and quiet neighborhood. City Staff did not have the authority to administratively approve LifeAustin's construction of an outdoor amphitheater. The City should enforce the zoning code as it is plainly written. Unfortunately, Staff's interpretations set a precedent to allow all church grounds to become outdoor entertainment venues.

I also respectfully request that the Board of Adjustment direct staff to forward the temporary use permit appeal filed by the Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA for its review and determination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Paula Jones
Hill Country Estates Homeowners Association

Heldenfels, Leane

From: Dylan Duke ~~dyduke1205@gmail.com~~
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 9:36 AM
To: Heldenfels, Leane
Cc: omegaduke1205@gmail.com
Subject: Case C15-2015-0147
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Leane,

I hope all is well.

I am writing you to address my grievance with the Life Austin Amphitheater at 8901 SH 71 West.

My wife and I have three children and moved into our formally quite neighbor almost 4 years ago.

We now are subject to incredibly loud music throughout the week and on weekends. The intense bass and loud music combined with the roar of the crowd gives my backyard and house a feel of living on 6th street.

It is a wide belief that this church has corrupted the City of Austin officials and has pushed through with their outrageous commercial plans regardless of neighborhood complaints, constant calls to 911 and 311, a clear violation of permitting and an outrageous claim that they are a resident. How many residents have events with 1500 people that charge tickets and charge for food and drink?

I would like someone to explain to me why I have to answer my children's questions of why their windows are shaking at 9:30 PM on a Sunday night.

The amphitheater has caused a great amount of stress and concern.

We simply ask we make this right. We ask the Board of Adjustment to grant the appeals filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA. Further, we ask the Board of Adjustment to direct staff to forward the TUP appeal filed by Hill Country Estates HOA and the Covered Bridge POA to the BOA.

Thank you,

Dylan & Omega Duke
6705 Bright Star Lane
Austin, TX 78736

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Oak Hill Neighborhoods

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Recipient: Board of Adujustment

Letter: Greetings,

Support Oak Hill neighbors in unplugging the illegally zoned Life Austin
amphitheater

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Name	City	State	Postal Code	Country	Signed On
Kim del Ange	Austin	Texas		United State:	11/5/15
Cynthia Alvar	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Mary Megan	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Maya DelCar	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Colleen Suar	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Theresa Bast	Austin	Texas	78739	United State:	11/8/15
David VanDe	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Phillip Georg	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Lisa Thomas	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Christy Genti	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Michael Yuar	Austin	Texas	78749	United State:	11/8/15
Mike Conner	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Michael Kirk	Austin	Texas	78749	United State:	11/8/15
maria reinke	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Monica Galu	Austin	Texas	78703	United State:	11/8/15
Kelley Siliven	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Roni Seeman	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Bruce Brown	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Kristen Dark	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Justin McGar	austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Pratik Patel	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Kevin Sherm	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Jennifer Feat	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Sue Pieczonk	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Heather Latr	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Carol Townse	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Andrea Reinf	Houston	Texas	77004	United State:	11/8/15
Billy Wilkinsc	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Pat Gavia	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
David Gavia	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Diane Grisarr	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Mark Reinke	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Cynthia Dietz	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Connie Justic	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
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David Phillip	Austin	Texas	78737	United State:	11/8/15
Gary Garza	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Laura Barton	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Teresa Garciz	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Sheldon Lins	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15
Brad Pollard	Austin	Texas	78735	United State:	11/8/15
Beverly Olsoi	Austin	Texas	78736	United State:	11/8/15

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Donn Gauge Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Pat Alvarez Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Max Herscha Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Christie Clau Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
John Edmund Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Jane Deitz Austin	Texas	78737 United State:	11/8/15
Travis Palm Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Dylan Duke Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Howard War Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Eva MacKay Austin	Texas	78737 United State:	11/8/15
Daloma Arm Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Doll Smokey Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Ted Claussen Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Jeanette Cris Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Cynthia Harp Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Debbie Schol Austin	Texas	debbi schobe United State:	11/8/15
Robin Milner Austin	Texas	78745 United State:	11/8/15
Bob Seeman Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Judith Dullniq Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Srinagesh Lol Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
William Dabl Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Paula Jones Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
E Sealy Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Chris Spears Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
John Wilkins, Katy	Texas	77450 United State:	11/8/15
Gerry Powell Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Kristin Dansc Austin	Texas	78749 United State:	11/8/15
betina forem Austin	Texas	78739 United State:	11/8/15
Colleen Urry Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/8/15
Pam Hilts Kelso	Washington	98626 United State:	11/8/15
Susan McKer Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Jen White Austin	Texas	78701 United State:	11/9/15
Timothy Ged Ft bliss	Texas	79906 United State:	11/9/15
Gina Lovelac Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Gwen Schaef Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Jamie Eveleig Austin	Texas	78749 United State:	11/9/15
Albert Davidi Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Wim Wauter Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Tom Thayer Austin	Texas	78749 United State:	11/9/15
alan bennett Austin	Texas	78737 United State:	11/9/15
Patty Busch Austin	Texas	78749 United State:	11/9/15
Gregory Rich Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Seema Narul Santa Clara	California	95054 United State:	11/9/15

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Janice Faries Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Dave Ault Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
Leonard Bau Austin	Texas	78736 United State:	11/9/15
dana shamir Austin	Texas	78737 United State:	11/9/15
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Statement From Alan Watts
Thomas Springs Road
LifeAustinNoise.org

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My name is Alan Watts. I live on Thomas Springs road, a few thousand feet north of LifeAustin's amphitheater, and I've spent the past 16 years there building a quiet sanctuary on my wooded and wildlife-filled 10 acres of land. My property, too, is zoned rural residential and I respect the privileges and responsibilities such a designation means.

Hearing the noise from the amphitheater myself and the outcry from neighbors motivated me to create the website, LifeAustinNoise.org, to help visualize and record the complaints created by the church's live concerts. Using Google Maps, it allows people to "pin" their location and specify a level of disturbance they've experienced.

It is my hope that this tool can give a voice to the neighbors not being heard here tonight. As you can see on the map, we can certainly hear LifeAustin.

Attachments:

- [1] LifeAustinNoise.org screenshot
- [2] Map detail with neighborhood boundaries

