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SITE PLAN REVIEW SHEET ENVIRONMENTAL VARIANCE REQUEST ONLY

CASE: SP-2017-0176D ZAP COMMISSION DATE: February 6, 2018

PROJECT NAME: 1704 & 1706 Channel Road

APPLICANT: Skylark Partners II LP **AGENT:** Janis Smith Consulting, LLC

(Janis Smith)

ADDRESS OF SITE: 1704 & 1706 Channel Road

COUNTY: Travis **AREA:** .65 acres

WATERSHED: Lake Austin

JURISDICTION: Full Purpose

EXISTING ZONING: LA

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

The applicant proposes to remove and replace an existing boat dock, add swim deck, along with shoreline modification.

DESCRIPTION OF VARIANCES:

The applicant requests the following: To allow cut above 4' within Lake Austin [25-8-341(A)]

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The findings of fact have not been met and staff does not recommend approval.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD ACTION:

January 17th, 2018: The Environmental Commission recommends support of the variance request to allow cut above 4' within Lake Austin with the following; Bring the floodplain rating from a "Poor" rating to an "Excellent" rating, remove the old submerged dock and posts, as well as one of the existing fishing piers, increase tree planting plan with at least a 5" trunk Pecan Tree as directed by the City Arborist, any increase to the fishing pier will require approval by the Environmental Commission, and all conditions will be added to the cover sheet of the permit set. Vote 8-0.

ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW STAFF: Atha Phillips **PHONE:** 974-6303

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CASE MANAGER: Clarissa Davis **PHONE:** 974-1423

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ITEM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA

COMMISSION MEETING

January 17, 2018

DATE REQUESTED:

NAME & NUMBER OF PROJECT: 1704 and 1706 Channel Road

SP-2017-0176D

 $N \\ \text{AME OF APPLICANT OR} \\$

Janis Smith (512)914-3729

ORGANIZATION:

LOCATION:

1704 Channel Road, Austin, Texas

COUNCIL DISTRICT: District # 10

PROJECT FILING DATE: May 17, 2017

DSD/ENVIRONMENTAL STAFF: Atha Phillips, Environmental Program Coordinator

512-974-6303, Atha. Phillips@austintexas.gov

WPD/ERM STAFF Liz Johnston, Environmental Program Coordinator

512-974-2619, Liz.Johnston@austintexas.gov

WATERSHED: Lake Austin

ORDINANCE: Watershed Protection Ordinance

REQUEST: Variance request is as follows:

1. To allow cut above 4' feet within Lake Austin. [25-8-341(A)]

STAFF

Staff does not recommend approval.

DETERMINATION:

REASONS FOR Findings of fact have not been met.

DETERMINATION:

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Development Services Department Staff Recommendations Concerning Required Findings

Project: 1704 and 1706 Channel Road Ordinance Standard: Watershed Protection Ordinance

Variance Request: To allow cut above 4' feet within Lake Austin. [25-8-341(A)]

Include an explanation with each applicable finding of fact.

A. Land Use Commission variance determinations from Chapter 25-8-41 of the City Code:

1. The requirement will deprive the applicant of a privilege available to owners of similarly situated property with approximately contemporaneous development subject to similar code requirements.

No, there is an existing cut in slip and other places along the shoreline that the boat dock could be located.

2. The variance:

a) Is not necessitated by the scale, layout, construction method, or other design decision made by the applicant, unless the design decision provides greater overall environmental protection than is achievable without the variance:

No, the development proposed is not based on a hardship but rather a preference for the boat dock location.

b) Is the minimum deviation from the code requirement necessary to allow a reasonable use of the property;

No, there is an existing cut in slip and other places along the shoreline that the boat dock could be located. It is unnecessary to deviate from code since other options exist.

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c) Does not create a significant probability of harmful environmental consequences.

Yes, the project is enhancing the floodplain but any disturbance could be deemed harmful.

3. Development with the variance will result in water quality that is at least equal to the water quality achievable without the variance.

Yes, there will be disturbance but it would be contained within a silt boom and the sediment would settle out eventually.

- B. Additional Land Use Commission variance determinations for a requirement of Section 25-8-422 (Water Quality Transition Zone), Section 25-8-452 (Water Quality Transition Zone), Article 7, Division 1 (Critical Water Quality Zone Restrictions), or Section 25-8-652 (Development Impacting Lake Austin, Lady Bird Lake, and Lake Walter E. Long):
 - 1. The criteria for granting a variance in Subsection (A) are met;

N/A

2. The requirement for which a variance is requested prevents a reasonable, economic use of the entire property;

N/A

3. The variance is the minimum deviation from the code requirement necessary to allow a reasonable, economic use of the entire property.

N/A

Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval.



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION VARIANCE APPLICATION FORM

PROJECT DESCRIPTION	
Applicant Contact Inform	nation
Name of Applicant	John and Amy Porter
Street Address	1704 Channel Road
City State ZIP Code	Austin, TX 78746
Work Phone	512-233-2388
E-Mail Address	
Variance Case Informati	on
Case Name	1704 and 1706 Channel Road
Case Number	SP-2017-0176D
Address or Location	1704 and 1706 Channel Road
Environmental Reviewer Name	Atha Phillips
Environmental Resource Management Reviewer Name	Atha Phillips
Applicable Ordinance	LDC 25-8-341 Cut over 4 ft.
Watershed Name	Lake Austin
Watershed Classification	☐ Urban ☐ Suburban ☐ Water Supply Suburban X Water Supply Rural ☐ Barton Springs Zone

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Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone	 □ Barton Springs Segment □ Northern Edwards Segment X Not in Edwards Aquifer Zones 		
Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone	☐ Yes X No		
Distance to Nearest Classified Waterway	The project site is on the shore of Lake Austin		
Water and Waste Water service to be provided by	Austin Water and On-Site Septic		
Request	The variance request is as follows (Cite code references:		
	LDC 25-2-341 C Cut over 4 ft.		
	,		

Impervious cover	Existing	Proposed
square footage:		
acreage:		
percentage:		

Provrovide general description of the property (slope range, elevation range, summary of vegetation / trees, summary of the geology, CWQZ, WQTZ, CEFs, floodplain, heritage trees, any other notable or outstanding characteristics of the property)

The project site consists of two separate legal lots, each containing a residence: 1704 and 1706 Channel Road. Together the tracts are 0.97 acres and are on the shorelines of Lake Austin and a man-made channel. The lots are essentially flat with a slope of about 1% toward the channel and about 2% toward the mainbody of the lake. The vegetation consists mainly of St. Augustine grass, and the trees are predominantly Pecan. Currently on 1706 there is an existing concrete bulkhead and one boat dock. 1704 is more complicated. In addition to the concrete bulkhead with extensive concrete slope paving, the following structures exist: one boat dock in a cut-in slip on the channel; wood piles that are irregularly spaced but span the length of the channel shoreline; and two fishing piers and the remains of a third failed fishing pier on the main body of the lake. There is a substantial amount of debris accumulated between the existing dock and the southwest corner of the lot. See Attachment 1, Site Photos. The Porters, who own the site, are seeking to renovate the property as a family home and hope to remediate the damage done by past owners. They wrote the commission a letter requesting this variance, and it's included as **Attachment 2.** Their plans include replacing the concrete bulkhead and slope paving in the channel with a limestone bulkhead and large-scale planting plan; expanding the channel cut-in slip boat dock; and rebuilding one fishing pier on the main body of the lake. They will remove one fishing pier and the remains of the failed fishing pier on the main body of the lake as well as the piles along the channel. See Attachment 3, Proposed Conditions. Attachment 4, Proposed Conditions Channel Rendering, shows proposed conditions on the channel in the area of the requested cut variance.

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Clearly indicate in what
way the proposed project
does not comply with
current Code (include
maps and exhibits)

Enlarging the cut-in slip will require cut more than 4 ft. Attachment 3, Proposed Conditions, shows the cross-sections detailing the cut across the proposed cut-in slip. In order for a boat dock to house a ski boat and boat lift, it's necessary to have 3.5 ft of depth to accommodate the draft of the ski boat and cradle of the boat lift. The slip will extend into what is now land which is about 4 ft higher than the water surface elevation; so the depth of the cut is the sum of the height difference between the land elevation and the water surface elevation plus 3.5 ft. for the boat draft.

FINDINGS OF FACT

As required in LDC Section 25-8-41, in order to grant a variance the Land Use Commission must make the following findings of fact:

Include an explanation with each applicable finding of fact.

Project: 1704 and 1706 Channel Road

Ordinance:

- A. Land Use Commission variance determinations from Chapter 25-8-41 of the City Code:
 - 1. The requirement will deprive the applicant of a privilege or the safety of property given to owners of other similarly situated property with approximately contemporaneous development.

Yes/No

[summary of justification for determination]

See Attachment 5

2. The variance:

a) Is not based on a condition caused by the method chosen by the applicant to develop the property, unless the development method provides greater overall environmental protection than is achievable without the variance;

Yes/No

[summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

b) Is the minimum change necessary to avoid the deprivation of a privilege given to other property owners and to allow a reasonable use of the property;

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Yes/No [summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

c) Does not create a significant probability of harmful environmental consequences; and

Yes/No [summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

3. Development with the variance will result in water quality that is at least equal to the water quality achievable without the variance.

Yes/No [summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

- B. Additional Land Use Commission variance determinations for a requirement of Section 25-8-422 (Water Quality Transition Zone), Section 25-8-452 (Water Quality Transition Zone), Section 25-8-482 (Water Quality Transition Zone), or Article 7, Division 1 (Critical Water Quality Zone Restrictions):
 - 1. The criteria for granting a variance in Section A are met;

Yes/No [summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

2. The requirement for which a variance is requested prevents a reasonable, economic use of the entire property; and

Yes/No [summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

3. The variance is the minimum change necessary to allow a reasonable, economic use of the entire property.

Yes/No [summary of basis for determination]

See Attachment 5

**Variance approval requires all above affirmative findings.

Exhibits for Commission Backup and/or Presentation

- Aerial photos of the site (backup and presentation)
- Site photos (backup and presentation)
- Aerial photos of the vicinity (backup and presentation)
- Context Map—A map illustrating the subject property in relation to developments in the vicinity to include nearby major streets and waterways (backup and presentation)
- Topographic Map A topographic map is recommended if a significant grade change on the subject site exists or if there is a significant difference in grade in relation to adjacent properties. (backup and presentation)
- For cut/fill variances, a plan sheet showing areas and depth of cut/fill with topographic elevations. (backup and presentation)
- Site plan showing existing conditions if development exists currently on the property (presentation only)
- Proposed Site Plan- full size electronic or at least legible 11x17 showing proposed development, include tree survey if required as part of site or subdivision plan (backup and presentation)
- Environmental Map A map that shows pertinent features including Floodplain, CWQZ,
 WQTZ, CEFs, Setbacks, Recharge Zone, etc. (backup and presentation)
- An Environmental Assessment pursuant to ECM 1.3.0 (if required by 25-8-121) (backup only)
- Applicant's variance request letter (backup only)

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ATTACHMENT 1
SITE PHOTOS

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ATTACHMENT 2 LETTER FROM THE OWNERS

John & Amy Porter 1704 Channel Rd Austin, TX 78746 (512) 294-5484

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Mr. Joe Pantalion Director, Watershed Protection Department City of Austin

Re: Environmental Variance Application for 1704 and 1706 Channel Road

Dear Mr. Pantalion,

My wife Amy and I own 1704 and 1706 Channel Road on the shores of Lake Austin. We are in the process of improving the property so that we can enjoy the lake with our kids and family friends. Currently, the shoreline is a solid mass of concrete with several dilapidated docks, fishing piers, and the remains of structures that have long since disappeared. We're lucky enough to have both channel and main body shoreline, and we intend to return the property to a healthy and thriving environment.

After much back and forth with our design and permitting professionals who consulted with City of Austin staff, we believe that we've come up with a plan that reverses much of the damage done decades ago by past owners. Our goal is to maximize preservation of our trees and declutter the Lake Austin shoreline. So keeping the boat dock on the canal is a priority. The existing boat dock is too small to accommodate modern boats, and I'm told that expanding the dock and cut-in slip requires a variance for Cut over 4 ft.

Amy and I request your approval of our application for a variance to LDC 25-8-341, Cut over 4 feet, so that we can construct a new boat dock in the same location as the existing dock. We will be good stewards of our Lake Austin property and its natural beauty.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Porter

bectfully

Amy Porter

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ATTACHMENT 3 PROPOSED CONDITIONS

Item C-08 LEGEND 1704 AND 1706 PROPOSED DOCKS PROPOSED BULKHEAD CWQZ AND LA SETBACK 100-YR FLOODPLAIN CHANNEL ROAD ∠6" Marine Grade Flotation PROPOSED SHORELINE LIMIT OF CONSTRUCTION LIMIT OF CONSTRUCTION/SILT FENCE **EXISTING SHORELINE LENGTH = 380'** - FLOATING SILT SCREEN XSEC CUT AREA ALLOWABLE DOCK WIDTH = 20% OF 380' = 76' APPROX. 11 LF EXISTING DOCK TO REMAIN PROPOSED DOCK WIDTH = 18' (SWIM DECK) + 28' (DOCK) END CONSTRUCTION OF SP-2013-0327DS = 46' (12% OF SHORELINE) PROPOSED BULKHEAD **EXISTING TOPO** PROPOSED DOCK DEPTH = 30' Reinforced Impermeable PVC DOCK FOOTPRINT = 360 SF (SWIM DECK) + 840 SF (DOCK) PROPOSED TOPO FLOATING SILT SCREEN = 1200 SF TOTAL APPROX. 482 LF LIMITS OF CONSTRUCTION TREE CRITICAL ROOT ZONE AND $\frac{1}{2}$ CRZ √1/4" Galvanized Steel Ballast Chain RESUME CONSTRUCTION OF PROPOSED BULKHEAD XSEC 1 APPROX. 10 LF TOW = 496.8 INSTALL TREE FENCE APPROX. 18 LF SCALE: 1" = 20'FLOATING SILT SCREEN END CONSTRUCTION OF PROPOSED BULKHEAD AT EXISTING DOCK - APPROXIMATE COLORADO RIVER GRADIENT INSTALL TREE FENCING ELEV = 482.0 APPROX. 62 LF PROPOSED 100-YR FLOODPLAIN ELEV. = 494.5 **INSTALL TREE FENCING** 7 APPROX. 105 LF 3 m (10'-0'') > PROPOSED FISHING PIER 18'X30' STAGING AREA SEE SHEET 4 FOR -CRITICAL ROOT ZONE MITIGATION PLANTING PLAN isulting, -TREE PROTECTION FENCE INSTALL TREE FENCING -APPROX. 95 LF Cot INSTALL SILT FENCE -APPROX. 197 LF TOP OF BULKHEAD ELEV. APPROX. 498.0 3 STONE STEPS DOWN TO 3 FT. INSTALL TREE FENCE -Smith TOW AT TOP STEP = 496.8 END XSEC 2 AND BEGIN XSEC 1 ON SHEET 5 APPROX. 29 LF TOW AT BOTTOM STEP = 494.8 APPROX. 197 LF PROPOSED GRADING -EXISTING 革 SEE STRUCTURAL DETAILS ON SHEETS 4 AND 5 PROFILE + TOW = 496.8 INSTALL TREE FENCING -FILL BEHIND BULKHEAD TO MEET EXISTING CONDITIONS Janis PROPOSED FLOODPLAIN -LOCATION OF PROPOSED SHORELINE = ELEV = 495.4 LOCATION OF PROPOSED BULKHEAD = TOP OF BULKHEAD -LOCATION OF PROPOSED 100-YR FLOODPLAIN ELEV. APPROX. 498.0 **EXISTING SHORELINE -**CONTINUE XSEC 2 ON SHEET 5 STEEL OR WOOD FENCE POSTS MAX. 2.4 m (8') SPACING PROFILE -APPROX. 55 LF SILT FENCE FABRIC -SEE STRUCTURAL DETAILS ON SHEETS 5 AND 6 PROPOSED CUT-IN SLIP -BACKING SUPPORT FOR TOW = 496.8 28'X30' DOCK (FABRIC (12.5 GA. WIRE) SEE XSECS THIS SHEET TOP OF BULKHEAD = ELEV. APPROX. 498.0 PROPOSED SHORELINE ELEV = 492.8 EXISTING 492 PROFILE + END XSEC 2, BEGIN XSEC 3 ON SHEET 5 490 - END XSEC 3, BEGIN XSEC 2 ON SHEET 5 APPROX. 88 LF SEE STRUCTURAL DETAILS ON SHEETS 5 AND 6 SEE STRUCTURAL DETAILS ON SHEETS 5 AND 6 TOW = 494.8TOW = 494.8 TRENCH (BACKFILLED) TOP OF BULKHEAD ELEV. APPROX. 498.0 BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF PROPOSED BULKHEAD 5 - DREDGE TO 488.8 TO ALLOW XSEC 2 ON SHEET 5 APPROX. 30 LF NAVIGATION IN THE BOAT SLIP - PROPOSED -SEE STRUCTURAL DETAILS ON SHEETS 5 AND 6 EXISTING PROFILE APPROX. DREDGE VOL = 8 CY TOW = 494.8 -PROFILE Ŏ 1. STEEL OR WOOD POSTS WHICH SUPPORT THE SILT FENCE SHALL BE INSTALLED ON A SLIGHT ANGLE TOWARD THE ANTICIPATED RUNOFF SOURCE. POST MUST BE EMBEDDED A MINIMUM OF 300 mm (12 INCHES). IF WOOD POSTS CANNOT ACHIEVE 300 mm (12 inches) DEPTH, USE STEEL POSTS. PROPOSED CONDITIONS TOP OF BULKHEAD = 2 THE TOE OF THE SILT FENCE SHALL BE TRENCHED IN WITH A SPADE OR MECHANICAL TRENCHER, SO 1704 CHANNEL ROAD CUT CALCULATIONS ELEV. APPROX. 498.0 THAT THE DOWNSLOPE FACE OF THE TRENCH IS FLAT AND PERPENDICULAR TO THE LINE OF FLOW. _CUT = 75.2 SF ____ 3. THE TRENCH MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 160 mm (6 Inches) DEEP AND 160 mm (6 Inches) WIDE TO ALLOW XSEC STA FOR THE SILT FENCE FABRIC TO BE LAID IN THE GROUND AND BACKFILLED WITH COMPACTED XSEC NO. AVG CUT DISTANCE VOLUME CU EXISTING = TOTAL APPENDIX F TREE INCHES SURVEYED: 558.5 PROFILE -4. SILT FENCE FABRIC SHOULD BE SECURELY FASTENED TO EACH STEEL OR WOOD SUPPORT POST OR TOTAL APPENDIX F TREE INCHES REMOVED: TO WOVEN WIRE, WHICH IS IN TURN ATTACHED TO THE STEEL OR WOOD FENCE POST. TOTAL NON-APPENDIX F AND INVASIVE REMOVED: 14.0 TOTAL MITIGATION INCHES PLANTED ON-SITE 5. INSPECTION SHALL BE MADE WEEKLY OR AFTER EACH RAINFALL EVENT AND REPAIR OR XSEC 5 REPLACEMENT SHALL BE MADE PROMPTY AS NEEDED. 6. SILT FENCE SHALL BE REMOVED WHEN THE SITE IS COMPLETELY STABILIZED SO AS NOT TO BLOCK OR ELEV. APPROX. 498.0 IMPEDE STORM FLOW OR DRAINAGE. CUT = 224.8 SF7. ACCUMULATED SILT SHALL BE REMOVED WHEN IT REACHES A DEPTH OF 150 mm (6 Inches). THE SILT SHALL BE DISPOSED OF ON AN APPROVED SITE AND IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE DESIGNED: JJS TO ADDITIONAL SILTATION. EXISTING = APPROVED: PROFILE -SCALE: AS SHOWN 1704 AND 1706 CHANNEL ROAD CITY OF AUSTIN SILT FENCE DATE: MAY 15, 2017 SHEET 3 of 8

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ATTACHMENT 4 PROPOSED CONDITIONS CHANNEL RENDERING

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ATTACHMENT 5
FINDINGS OF FACT

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A. 1. The requirement will deprive the applicant of a privilege available to owners of similarly situated property with approximately contemporaneous development subject to similar code requirements.

YES. Defining contemporaneous construction as construction occurring since 2014, four applications for a variance to this section of code were presented to the Environmental Commission, and all four applications were approved.

- 2. The variance:
- a. Is not necessitated by the scale, layout, construction method, or other design decision made by the applicant, unless the design decision provides greater overall environmental protection than is achievable without the variance;
- YES. This design "provides greater overall environmental protection than is achievable without the variance". It provides a rare opportunity for the COA to enlarge both the volume and surface area of Lake Austin by increasing the size of the cut-in slip. Doing so leads to an improved lake ecosystem while maximizing the storage capacity of the lake. The variance is required to enlarge the size of the cut-in slip and realize the benefits described above.
- b. Is the minimum deviation from the code requirement necessary to allow reasonable use of the property;
- YES. After receiving the first set of comments in the update process and meeting with COA staff, the project design was changed to comply with a staff recommendation to incorporate the existing cut-in slip in the location of the proposed boat dock on the channel. According to staff, doing so will "avoid an environmental variance that might not meet the Findings of Fact." The recommendation and subsequent design change requires one variance.
- c. Does not create a significant probability of harmful environmental consequences.
- YES. This project will benefit the functionality and environmental quality of Lake Austin by increasing the volume and surface area of the lake. Additionally, the extensive mitigation planting plan will raise the rating of the floodplain from "poor" to "excellent" which exceeds COA requirements. Raising the rating of the floodplain will enhance the infiltration of runoff, decrease erosion and the sediment load present in the runoff, and boost the filtration of stormwater before it enters the lake. The bulkhead design, featuring a lower bulkhead planted with wetland plants along the channel, will improve connectivity between the lake and the new wetland. The bulkhead will replace an existing vast expanse of concrete.

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3. Development with the variance will result in water quality that is at least equal to the water quality achievable without the variance.

- YES. This project will improve the water quality of the lake by increasing the surface area thus allowing for a more beneficial lake ecosystem, and the mitigation planting plan will further improve both the stormwater quality and quantity entering the lake.
- B. 1. The criteria for granting a variance in Subsection (A) are met:
 - YES. Please see answers to A (1), (2), and (3).
 - 2. The requirement for which a variance is requested prevents a reasonable, economic use of the entirety of the property;
 - YES. The existing dock in the cut-in slip on the channel is too small to accommodate modern boats. In order to realize a "reasonable, economic use of the entirety of the property", a functioning boat dock is a necessity.
 - 3. The variance is the minimum deviation from the code requirement necessary to allow a reasonable, economic use of the entire property;
 - YES. This new boat dock incorporates the existing cut-in slip. Alternatively, a new dock could be constructed at another location and the cut-in slip could be filled so that the owners are allowed "a reasonable, economic use of the entirety of the property" (emphasis added). Filling in the cut-in slip to facilitate "use of the entirety of the property" would involve at least three variances (Fill in the Lake, Fill more than 4 ft., and Land Capture). City staff recommended against this route. The boat dock location is the location recommended by City staff, and it requires one variance for Cut over 4ft. This design is the minimum deviation from the Code.

Environmental Resource Inventory

For the City of Austin
Related to LDC 25-8-121, City Code 30-5-121, ECM 1.3.0 & 1.10.0

The ERI is required for projects that meet one or more of the criteria listed in LDC 25-8-121(A), City Code 30-5-121(A). 1. SITE/PROJECT NAME: 2. COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT PROPERTY ID (#'s): 3. ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PROJECT: 4. WATERSHED: 5. THIS SITE IS WITHIN THE (Check all that apply) Edwards Aguifer 1500 ft Verification Zone*

YES
No Note: If the property is over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge zone, the Hydrogeologic Report and karst surveys must be completed and signed by a Professional Geoscientist Licensed in the State of Texas. 6. DOES THIS PROJECT PROPOSE FLOODPLAIN MODIFICATION?......□YES** □NO If yes, then check all that apply: (1) The floodplain modifications proposed are necessary to protect the public health and safety; (2) The floodplain modifications proposed would provide a significant, demonstrable environmental benefit, as determined by a functional assessment of floodplain health as prescribed by the Environmental Criteria Manual (ECM), or (3) The floodplain modifications proposed are necessary for development allowed in the critical water quality zone under LDC 25-8-261 or 25-8-262, City Code 30-5-261 or 30-5-262. (4) The floodplain modifications proposed are outside of the Critical Water Quality Zone in an area determined to be in poor or fair condition by a functional assessment of floodplain health. ** If yes, then a functional assessment must be completed and attached to the ERI (see ECM 1.7 and Appendix X for forms and guidance) unless conditions 1 or 3 above apply. 7. IF THE SITE IS WITHIN AN URBAN OR SUBURBAN WATERSHED, DOES THIS PROJECT PROPOSE A UTILITY LINE PARALLEL TO AND WITHIN THE CRITICAL WATER QUALITY ZONE?□YES*** □NO ***If yes, then riparian restoration is required by LDC 25-8-261(E) or City Code 30-5-261(E) and a functional assessment must be completed and attached to the ERI (see ECM1.5 and Appendix X for forms and guidance). 8. There is a total of ____(#'s) Critical Environmental Feature(s)(CEFs) on or within150 feet of the project site. If CEF(s) are present, attach a detailed **DESCRIPTION** of the CEF(s), color PHOTOGRAPHS, the CEF WORKSHEET and provide DESCRIPTIONS of the proposed CEF buffer(s) and/or wetland mitigation. Provide the number of each type of CEFs on or

within 150 feet of the site (Please provide the number of CEFs):

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	_ (#'s) Spring(s)/Seep(s)	(#'s) Point Recharge Fea	ture	(s)	(#'s) Bluff(s)
	_ (#'s) Canyon Rimrock(s) (#'s) Wetland(s)			
Exce admi requ	pt for wetlands, if the si inistrative variance from	EFs are 150 feet, with a maximun andard buffer is <u>not provided,</u> yo LDC 25-8-281(C)(1) and provide administrative variances from re ection Department.	ou m writt	ust provid ten findind	de a written request for an as of fact to support you
9. The	following site maps are	e attached at the end of this rep	oort	(Check all	that apply and provide):
	All ERI reports i		T		ATTA OLIMENIT A
	-	ecific Geologic Map with 2-ft Aerial Photo of the Site AT	•	•	
		Map ATTACHMENT 3	17.01	I IIVILIVI Z	
	□ Critical	Environmental Features an hoto with 2-ft Topography	d W	Vell Loca	ation Map on current
	Only if present of	on site (Maps can be combined):			
		s Aquifer Recharge Zone wit			Verification Zone
	, ,	site is over or within 1500 feet the red s Aquifer Contributing Zone	cnarg	je zone)	
		uality Transition Zone (WQT	Z)		
		Water Quality Zone (CWQZ)			
		Austin Fully Developed Floo -acres of drainage ATTACH			all water courses with
		DRT – Provide a description ach additional sheets if needed):	of s	site soils	, topography, and site
	Surface Soils on the	project site is summarized in th	e ta	ble below	v and uses the SCS
		s*. If there is more than one so			
		Jnit Names, Infiltration			Hydrologic Groups tions (Abbreviated)
	Silaraote				- (:

Soil Series Unit Names, Infiltration Characteristics & Thickness			
Soil Series Unit Name & Subgroup**	Group*	Thickness (feet)	

- A. Soils having a <u>high infiltration</u> rate when thoroughly wetted.
- B. Soils having a moderate infiltration rate when thoroughly wetted.
- C. Soils having a <u>slow infiltration</u> rate when thoroughly wetted.
- D. Soils having a <u>very slow</u> <u>infiltration</u> rate when thoroughly wetted.

**Subgroup Classification – See <u>Classification of Soil Series</u> Table in County Soil Survey.

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Description of Site Topography and Drainage (Attach additional sheets if needed):		
List surface geologic units belo	ow.	
	eologic Units Exposed at Surfac	
Group	Formation	Member
Brief description of site geolog	Y (Attach additional sheets if needed):	
Wells – Identify all recorded and	unrecorded wells on site (test ho	oles, monitoring, water, oil.
unplugged, capped and/or aband		,,,
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There are(#) wells present or	• •	
(#'s)The wells are no	ot in use and have been properly	y abandoned.
(#'s)The wells are no	ot in use and will be properly aba	andoned.
(#'s)The wells are in	use and comply with 16 TAC C	hapter 76.
There are(#'s) wells that are o	. ,	•

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There is woodland community on site	
If yes, list the dominant species below	
Woodlan	d species
Common Name	Scientific Name
There is grassland/prairie/savanna or	ı site
If yes, list the dominant species below	
Grassland/prairie	e/savanna species
Common Name	Scientific Name
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Hyd	rophytic plant species		
Common Name	Scientific Name	Wetland Indicator Status	
half feet above natural gra ☐YES ☐ NO (Check one).	with a diameter of at least eight inchide level has been completed on the Provide the information requested be	site.	
	·	now.	
□ On-site system(s)	Il be treated by (Check of that Apply):		
	☐ City of Austin Centralized sewage collection system		
☐ Other Centralized	☐ Other Centralized collection system		
Note: All sites that receive water or wastewater service from the Austin Water Utility must comply with City Code Chapter 15-12 and wells must be registered with the City of Austin			
The site sewage collection all State, County and City \square YES \square NO (Check one).	n system is designed and will be cons standard specifications.	structed to in accordance to	
Calculations of the size of the end of this report or shapped \square YES \square NO \square Not App	•	ion area(s) are attached at	
	oosed within the Critical Water Quality If yes, then provide justification below	《	

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Is the project site is over the Edwards Aquifer' \square YES \square NO (Check one).	?
If yes, then describe the wastewater disposal level and effects on receiving watercourses or	
13. One (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic copy provided.	of the completed assessment have been
Date(s) ERI Field Assessment was performed:	Doto(o)
	Date(s)
My signature certifies that to the best of my knowled reflect all information requested.	dge, the responses on this form accurately
Print Name	Telephone
Signature	Email Address
Name of Company	Date
For project sites within the Edwards Aquifer Recharge that I am a licensed Professional Geoscientist in the \$1.12.3(A).	
	P.G. Seal

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City of Austin Environmental Resource Inventory - Critical Environmental Feature Worksheet

1	Project Name:	
2	Project Address:	
3	Site Visit Date:	
4	Environmental Resource Inventory Date:	

5	Primary Contact Name:	
6	Phone Number:	
7	Prepared By:	
8	Email Address:	

9	I AMATISAN RIMPOCK Blutte Racharda I	FEATURE ID (eg S-1)	FEATURE LONGITUDE (WGS 1984 in Meters)		FEATURE LATITUDE (WGS 1984 in Meters)		WETLAND DIMENSIONS (ft)		RIMROCK/BLUFF DIMENSIONS (ft)		RECHARGE FEATURE DIMENSIONS			Springs Est. Discharge
			coordinate	notation	coordinate	notation	Х	Υ	Length	Avg Height	Х	Υ	Z Trend	cfs

e Only	City of Austin Use Only	
MBER:	CASE NUMBER:	

or rimrock, locate the midpoint of the general that describes the feature.

For wetlands, locate the approximate centroid of the feature and the estimated area.



For a spring or seep, locate the source of groundwater that feeds a pool or stream.



Please state the method of coordinate data collection and the approximate precision and accuracy of the points and the unit of measurement.

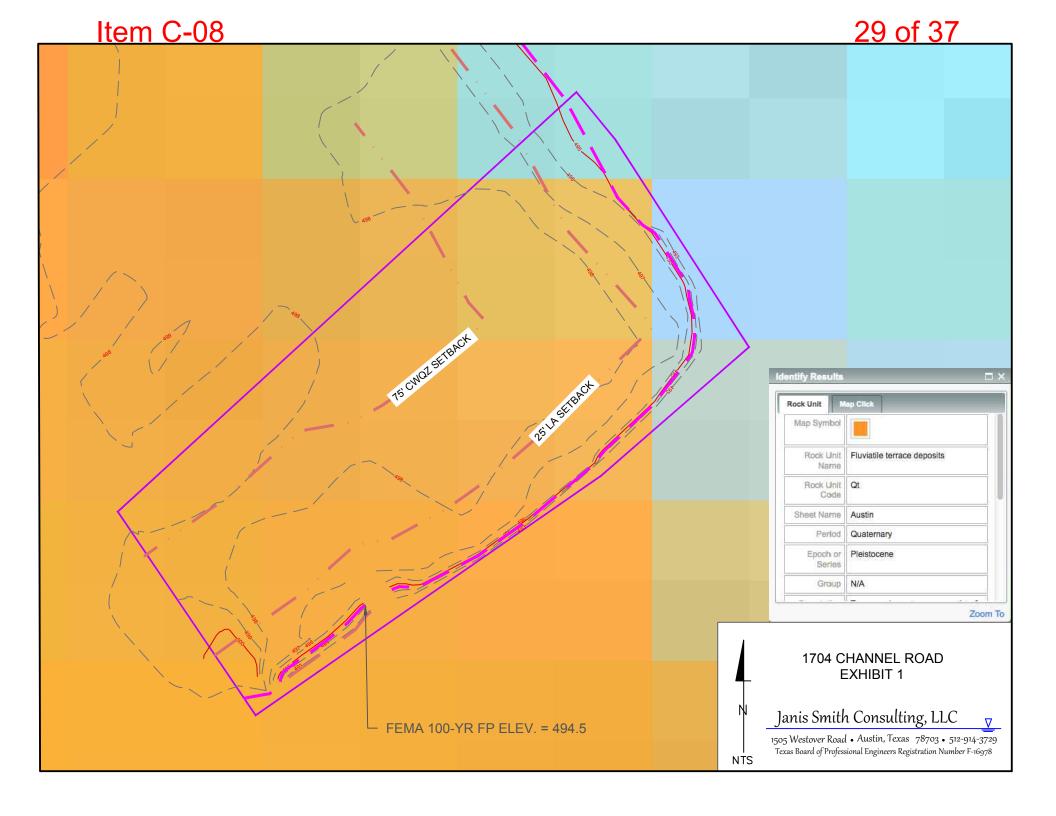
Method	<u>Accuracy</u>	
GPS	sub-meter	
Surveyed	meter	
Other	> 1 meter	

Professional Geologists apply seal below

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ATTACHMENT 1 GEOLOGY WITH 2-FT CONTOURS



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ATTACHMENT 2 HISTORIC AERIAL PHOTOS



Aerial Photo from 2009

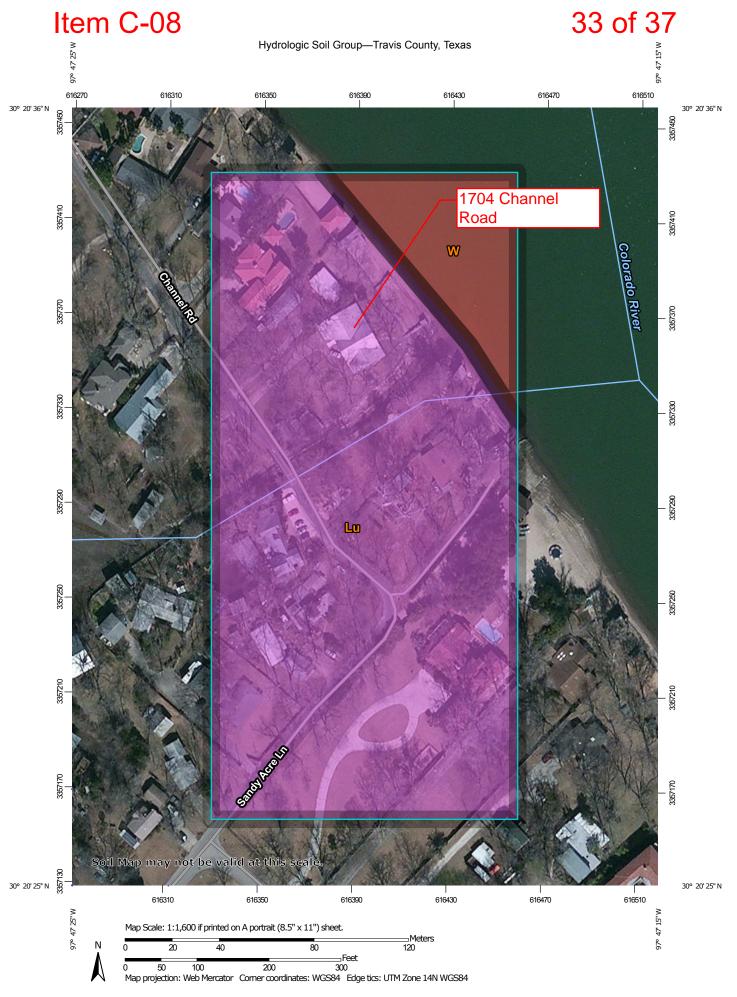


Aerial Photo from 2011



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ATTACHMENT 3
SITE SOIL MAP



Hydrologic Soil Group

Hydrologic Soil Group— Summary by Map Unit — Travis County, Texas (TX453)							
Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI			
Lu	Gaddy soils and Urban land, 0 to 1 percent slopes, occasionally flooded	A	7.8	88.5%			
W	Water	D	1.0	11.5%			
Totals for Area of Intere	est	8.8	100.0%				

Description

Hydrologic soil groups are based on estimates of runoff potential. Soils are assigned to one of four groups according to the rate of water infiltration when the soils are not protected by vegetation, are thoroughly wet, and receive precipitation from long-duration storms.

The soils in the United States are assigned to four groups (A, B, C, and D) and three dual classes (A/D, B/D, and C/D). The groups are defined as follows:

Group A. Soils having a high infiltration rate (low runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist mainly of deep, well drained to excessively drained sands or gravelly sands. These soils have a high rate of water transmission.

Group B. Soils having a moderate infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of moderately deep or deep, moderately well drained or well drained soils that have moderately fine texture to moderately coarse texture. These soils have a moderate rate of water transmission.

Group C. Soils having a slow infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of soils having a layer that impedes the downward movement of water or soils of moderately fine texture or fine texture. These soils have a slow rate of water transmission.

Group D. Soils having a very slow infiltration rate (high runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of clays that have a high shrink-swell potential, soils that have a high water table, soils that have a claypan or clay layer at or near the surface, and soils that are shallow over nearly impervious material. These soils have a very slow rate of water transmission.

If a soil is assigned to a dual hydrologic group (A/D, B/D, or C/D), the first letter is for drained areas and the second is for undrained areas. Only the soils that in their natural condition are in group D are assigned to dual classes.

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MOTION 20180117 008a

Date: January 17, 2018

Subject: 1704 and 1706 Channel Road, SP-2017-0176D Variance Request to allow cut above 4' within Lake

Austin [25-8-341(A)]

Motion by: Hank Smith Seconded by: Andrew Creel

RATIONALE:

WHEREAS, the applicant desires to remove a fishing pier on the main body of Lake Austin and expand an existing cut-in-slip to allow for an additional boat dock and jet ski dock; and

WHEREAS, the applicant does have options that would not require a variance; however, those options may not be as advantageous as the proposal to the overall lake environment.

THEREFORE, the Environmental Commission recommends support of the variance request to allow cut above 4' within Lake Austin with the following;

Staff Conditions:

Environmental Commission Conditions:

- Bring the floodplain rating from a "Poor" rating to an "Excellent" rating
- Remove the old submerged dock and posts, as well as one of the existing fishing piers
- Increase tree planting plan with at least a 5" trunk Pecan Tree as directed by the City Arborist
- Any increase to the fishing pier will require approval by the Environmental Commission
- All conditions will be added to the cover sheet of the permit set.

VOTE 8-0

For: B. Smith, Creel, Thompson, Istvan, Neely, Maceo, H. Smith Guerrero, and Gordon

Against: None Abstain: Guerrero Recuse: None

Absent: Perales and Coyne

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Approved By:

Paggy Maero

Peggy Maceo, Environmental Commission Vice Chair

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