

**ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET**

CASE: C14-2018-0075 – Dessau Homes

DISTRICT: 1

ZONING FROM: SF-3-NP

TQ: SF-6-NP

ADDRESS: 10300 Dessau Road

SITE AREA: 1.942 Acres

PROPERTY OWNERS/APPLICANT:

Central Texas Group, LLC  
(Preya Sundaram)

CASE MANAGER: Heather Chaffin (512-974-2122, [heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov](mailto:heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov))

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

**Staff supports the Applicant's request for rezoning from SF-3-NP to SF-6-NP. For a summary of the basis of staff's recommendation, see case manager comments on page 2.**

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION / RECOMMENDATION:

September 25, 2018:

CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

October 18, 2018:

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER COMMENTS:

The subject property is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of East Applegate Drive and Dessau Road. The site is zoned SF-3-NP and is currently developed with one single family residence. The Applicant is proposing to develop the site with 15 – 20 dwelling units. Properties to the immediate west and south are also zoned SF-3-NP and are developed with single family residences. To the north, across Applegate Drive is property zoned SF-2-NP. There is one lot that is currently developed with a single family residence, and the remaining lots are undeveloped but currently being subdivided for single family residences. To the east, across Dessau Road, is land zoned SF-2, SF-6-CO, and MF-3-CO. The SF-2 property is developed with one single family residence; the SF-6-CO and MF-3-CO tracts are currently undeveloped. *Please see Exhibits A and B—Zoning Map and Aerial Exhibit.*

Staff supports the rezoning request. The property is at the corner of a major arterial and a residential collector street. The location and the configuration of the lot make it not ideal for single family residential redevelopment. Since each residential lot would require street frontage, single family redevelopment would either require flag lots, construction of a small street, or very few units. SF-6 allows clustering of units which will allow more units to be constructed and utilize a shared driveway. The SF-6 will also provide a buffer or transition between the single family neighborhood to the west and Dessau Road to the east.

Staff has received correspondence in opposition to the rezoning request. *Please see Exhibit C—Correspondence.*

BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff supports the request of SF-6-NP.

1. *The proposed zoning should be consistent with the purpose statement of the district sought.*

Townhouse and condominium residence (SF-6) district is the designation for a moderate density single family, duplex, two-family, townhouse, and condominium use that is not subject to the spacing and location requirements for townhouse and condominium use in an SF-5 district. An SF-6 district designation may be applied to a use in an area with large lots that have access to streets other than minor residential streets. An SF-6 district may be used as a transition between a single family and multifamily residential use.

2. *Zoning should allow for reasonable use of the property.*

This location and the configuration of the lot make single family residential redevelopment unlikely. Since each residential lot would require street frontage, single family redevelopment would either require flag lots, construction of a small street, or very few units. SF-6 allows clustering of units which will allow more units to be constructed and utilize a shared driveway.

3. *The proposed zoning should be consistent with the goals and objectives of the City Council.*

City Council has a goal of increasing housing stock in the city, as well as a variety of housing types.

4. *Zoning should promote a transition between adjacent and nearby zoning districts, land uses, and development intensities.*

SF-6 will provide a buffer or transition between the single family neighborhood to the west and Dessau Road to the east. It will also provide a transition between the MF-3-CO-NP across Dessau road and this neighborhood.

EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USES
Site	SF-3-NP	Single family residence
North	SF-2-NP	Undeveloped, Single family residence
South	SF-3-NP	Single family residences
East	SF-2, SF-6-NP, MF-3-NP	Single family residence, Undeveloped
West	SF-3-NP	Single family residences

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA: Heritage Hills/Windsor Hills

TIA: N/A

WATERSHED: Walnut Creek (Suburban)

OVERLAYS: N/A

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

Homeless Neighborhood Association	Bike Austin
Windsor Hills Neighborhood Association	SELTexas
Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation	AISD
Harris Branch Master Association, Inc.	Sierra Club
North Growth Corridor Alliance	
Austin Neighborhoods Council	
Friends of Austin Neighborhoods	
Heritage Hills/Windsor Hills Neighborhood Plan Contact Team	

AREA CASE HISTORIES:

NUMBER	REQUEST	COMMISSION	CITY COUNCIL
<b>C14-2010-0161</b> <b>Windsor Hill</b> <b>Neighborhood Plan</b> <b>10300 Dessau Road</b>	<b>RR to SF-3-NP</b>	<b>12/14/2010: To grant SF-3-NP as recommended by Staff</b>	<b>01/13/2011: To grant SF-3-NP as rec., Ord. No. 20110113-061</b>
C14-2011-0049 Pioneer Hill	TND to MF-3-CO and SF-6-CO	06/21/2011: To grant MF-3-CO and SF-6-CO as rec.	12/15/2011: To grant MF-3-CO and SF-6-CO as rec., Ord. No. 20111215-075

EXISTING STREET CHARACTERISTICS:

Name	ROW	Pavement	Classification	Sidewalks	Bicycle Route	Capital Metro (within ¼ mile)
Applegate Drive	70'	22'	Collector	No	No	No
Dessau Road	105-115'	90'	Arterial	Yes	Yes	No

OTHER STAFF COMMENTS:ENVIRONMENTAL

1. The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is in the Walnut Creek Watershed of the Colorado River Basin, which is classified as a Suburban Watershed by Chapter 25-8 of the City's Land Development Code.
2. Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment on this site will be subject to the following impervious cover limits if more restrictive than allowed by zoning. Note: SF-6 impervious cover limit of 55% is lower than watershed limits; therefore the 55% limit would apply.

Development Classification	% of Gross Site Area	% of Gross Site Area with Transfers
Single-Family (minimum lot size 5750 sq. ft.)	50%	60%
Other Single-Family or Duplex	55%	60%
Multifamily	60%	70%
Commercial	80%	90%

3. According to floodplain maps there is no floodplain within or adjacent to the project location.
4. Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.
5. Several trees will likely be impacted with a proposed development associated with this rezoning case. Please be aware that an approved rezoning status does not eliminate a proposed development's requirements to meet the intent of the tree ordinances. If further explanation or specificity is needed, please contact the City Arborist at 512-974-1876. At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding other vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.
6. Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment requires water quality control with increased capture volume and control of the 2 year storm on site.

SITE PLAN

SP 1. Site plans will be required for any new development other than single-family or duplex residential.

SP 2. Any development which occurs in an SF-6 or less restrictive zoning district which is located 540 feet or less from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district will be subject to compatibility development regulations.

SP 3. Any new development is subject to Subchapter E. Design Standards and Mixed Use. Additional comments will be made when the site plan is submitted.

#### Compatibility Standards

SP 4. The site is subject to compatibility standards. Along the all property lines excepting the east (Dessau) frontage. The following standards apply:

- ☐ No structure may be built within 25 feet of the property line.
- ☐ No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet of the property line.
- ☐ No structure in excess of three stories or 40 feet in height may be constructed within 100 feet of the property line.
- ☐ No parking or driveways are allowed within 25 feet of the property line.
- ☐ A landscape area at least 25 feet wide is required along the property line. In addition, a fence, berm, or dense vegetation must be provided to screen adjoining properties from views of parking, mechanical equipment, storage, and refuse collection.
- ☐ For a structure more than 100 feet but not more than 300 feet from property zoned SF-5 or more restrictive, height limitation is 40 feet plus one foot for each 10 feet of distance in excess of 100 feet from the property line.
- ☐ An intensive recreational use, including a swimming pool, tennis court, ball court, or playground, may not be constructed 50 feet or less from adjoining SF-3 property.
- ☐ A landscape area at least 25 feet in width is required along the property line if the tract is zoned LR, GO, GR, L, CS, CS-1, or CH.

Additional design regulations will be enforced at the time a site plan is submitted.

#### TRANSPORTATION

TR1. Per Ordinance No. 20170302-077, off-site transportation improvements and mitigations may be required at the time of site plan application.

TR2. A Neighborhood Traffic Analysis shall be required at the time of site plan if triggered per LDC 25-6-114. LDC. 25-6-114.

TR3. A traffic impact analysis was not required for this case because the traffic generated by the proposed zoning does not exceed the threshold of 2,000 vehicle trips per day. [LDC 25-6-113]

TR4. Additional right-of-way maybe required at the time of subdivision and/or site plan.

TR5. Janae Spence, Urban Trails, Public Works Department, Mike Schofield, Bicycle Program, Austin Transportation Department may provide additional comments regarding bicycle and pedestrian connectivity per the Council Resolution No. 20130620-056.

TR6. According to the Austin 2014 Bicycle Plan approved by Austin City Council in November, 2014, a protected bike lane for all ages and abilities is recommended for Dessau Road. Mike Schofield, Bicycle Program, Austin Transportation Department may provide additional comments and requirements for right-of-way dedication and bicycle facility construction in accordance with LDC 25-6-55 and LDC 25-6-101. Please review the Bicycle Master Plan for more information.

TR7. FYI – An active transportation project is proposed along Dessau Road adjacent to this

property. The proposed improvements may affect lane widths and/or number of lanes. Access to Dessau Road may be limited and/or restricted due to safety concerns at the time of the site plan application.

TR8. FYI – the existing driveways and sidewalks along Dessau Road do not appear to comply with City of Austin standards. The driveway and sidewalks shall be removed and reconstructed at the time of the site plan application in accordance with the Land Development Code and Transportation Criteria Manual.

TR9. FYI – sidewalks are required to be constructed according to City of Austin standards along Applegate Drive at the time of the site plan application.

TR10. FYI – It is recommended that gates be prohibited on all driveways to this site in order to allow for connectivity between the proposed property and the existing neighborhood.

TR11. FYI – It is recommended that sidewalks be provided along both sides of the private drives, streets, and internal circulation routes connecting to the public right-of-way to improve walkability and connectivity. The sidewalk dimensions shall comply with the TCM and shall be constructed in accordance with the latest ADA standards.

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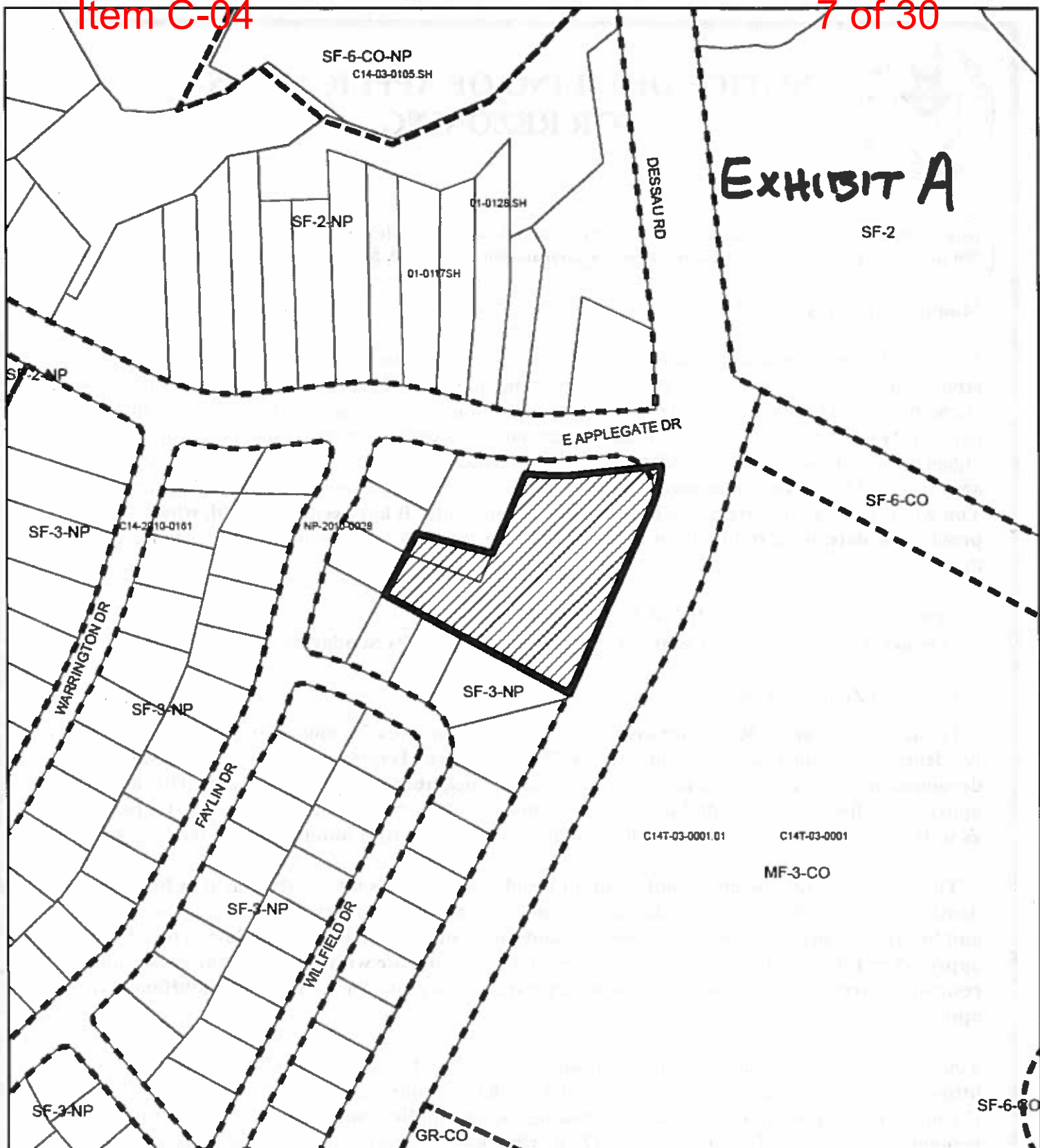
### WATER UTILITY

1. The landowner intends to serve the site with City of Austin water and wastewater utilities. The landowner, at own expense, will be responsible for providing any water and wastewater utility improvements, offsite main extensions, utility relocations and or abandonments required by the land use. Water and wastewater utility plans must be reviewed and approved by the Austin Water Utility for compliance with City criteria. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin. The landowner must pay the City inspection fee with the utility construction. The landowner must pay the tap and impact fee once the landowner makes an application for a City of Austin water and wastewater utility tap permit.

### INDEX OF EXHIBITS TO FOLLOW

- A: Zoning Map
- B. Aerial Exhibit
- C. Correspondence





# EXHIBIT A

SF-2

SF-6-CO

SF-3-NP

SF-3-NP

SF-3-NP

MF-3-CO

GR-CO

SF-6-CO



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

## Zoning Case

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### DESSAU HOMES

ZONING CASE#: C14-2018-0075  
 LOCATION: 10300 DESSAU RD.  
 SUBJECT AREA: 1.942 ACRES  
 GRID: M30  
 MANAGER: HEATHER CHAFFIN



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-  PENDING CASE
-  CREEK BUFFER

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## EXHIBIT C

Maureen and Heather,

I am writing in response to the proposed zoning change of 10300 Dessau Road from SF-3-NP to SF-6-NP (NPA-2018-0028.01, C14-2018-0075). I am a resident of North Acres. I attended two presentations by Preya Sundaram: first at the North Acres neighborhood meeting May 29, 2018 and the public meeting at Gus Garcia Rec Center Thurs, Aug 9, 2018. Based on Preya's presentations and discussions, I ask that you not support this zoning change.

Firstly, the proposed zoning change does not adhere to many of the priority actions or recommendations in the City adopted Heritage Hills/Windsor Hills Combined Neighborhood Plan (see appendix). Specifically, on page 47,

**Large Undeveloped High Density Single Family Parcel on Dessau Road - #2**

The desire of the community regarding this area is to preserve the existing single family neighborhood as well as the current look and feel, in the area of the WHNPA around Dessau Road, just north of E. Applegate Drive.

REC 30: Support the undeveloped high density single family parcel at the eastern terminus of Claywood Drive going to a lower density single family land use in the future, if possible, to match the character of the surrounding parcels. (RP: COA, HHWHCNPA)

REC 31: Support low density single family land use for other vacant parcels in the E. Applegate Drive/Dessau Road vicinity. (RP: COA, HHWHCNPA)

As a resident of North Acres, member of the Contact Team, and active participant in the creation of this neighborhood plan, I urge you to view this recommendation with great importance. We want to maintain the low density, single family, large, open, treed lots that have been in the area since the 1960s.

The main concerns of the increased density land use are safety, traffic, road conditions, runoff, privacy and property taxes. Many of these are addressed as priority actions or recommendations in the neighborhood plan (see Appendix) and continue to be raised in public discussions.

- **Safety** - The plan is for at least 12 single family dwellings on this property. Coupled with the proposed 13 single family dwellings on the north side of Applegate, the increased congestion on Applegate is a safety concern. The left turn onto Dessau from Applegate is prohibited but many people make the turn anyway. Turning onto Applegate from Dessau is a risk as is turning south from Applegate; the intersection is on the incline of a steep hill and the intersection is difficult to see. Posted speed limits on Dessau are 50 mph, but cars often exceed this limit. Walking or riding a bicycle along Applegate is dangerous in the current undeveloped state with no sidewalks and blind hills. There are two potential entrances to the property; one from Dessau and one from Applegate. The entrance from Dessau should remain blocked.
- **Traffic** - The proposed 12 + 13 single family dwellings along that stretch of Applegate would likely mean an increase of ~50 vehicles residing in a one block area. As cut through traffic on Applegate continues to increase (from developments such as DR Horton's Pioneer Hill), safety in our neighborhoods will decline. A pork chop intersection at Dessau and Meadowmear was conditional on the DR Horton development for this reason. Stop signs at both ends of

Sommerset on Applegate are often not adhered to by drivers. An application for speed mitigation along Applegate was approved via the City's LATM application process, but funding was unavailable for completion and has since expired.

- Road conditions - The road conditions of the stretch of Applegate from Dessau west to the pond is a narrow, two lane road with hills and no curbing, line markings or sidewalks. The bridge across the pond is a low-weight bridge.
- Runoff – increasing the impervious cover on this property will exacerbate the runoff on to the residences south of the property.
- Privacy – the increase in density, proximity of units, and two-story height invades the privacy of residences adjacent to the property.
- Property taxes – With a proposed \$250-300K price tag per unit, and at least 12 units on the property, there is concern of the impact of property taxes on the surrounding neighborhood.

Linda Powers  
1000 Salem Lane

## **Appendix: Priority Actions and Recommendations for Applegate from the Neighborhood plan**

**Priority Action 2:** Request the City to prohibit cars from parking along East Applegate Drive near the duck pond and backing this action up by implementing the following options: (RP: COA, HHWHCNPA)

1. Installing 'no parking' signage next to the pond.
2. Issuing tickets to persons who park next to pond.
3. Investigate installing alternate parking areas near the pond.

**Priority Action 3:** Explore the feasibility of conducting traffic calming studies to reduce cut-through traffic and speeding on the following roads: (RP: COA)

1. E. Applegate Drive
2. Bluff Bend Drive
3. Middle Fiskville Road
4. North Plaza Drive
5. Park Plaza
6. Hermitage Drive
7. Furness Drive
8. Cameron-Dessau Road
9. I-35 frontage road
10. Rutherford Lane
11. Floredale Drive
12. Meadowmear Drive
13. Loralinda Drive
14. Dallum Drive
15. Teasdale Terrace

**Priority Action 5:** Explore opportunities to work with local tree programs to increase the tree canopy coverage, especially in the following locations: (RP: HHWHCNPA, Non-Governmental Agencies)

- Along E. Applegate and Meadowmear
- Along Rutherford Lane
- Gus Garcia Recreation Center (PARD)
- Hart Elementary School
- Clocktower Park at Norwood Shopping Center
- Along Middle Fiskville (near the Frito Lay distribution center and the City of Austin substation)
- Dobie Middle School
- E. Braker Lane (at retail centers)
- Graham Elementary School
- Along Cameron and Dessau Lane

**Priority Action 7:** Conduct a lighting study to enhance street lighting (if possible, using shielded, energy efficient lighting) in the following locations:



(RP: COA)

1. Intersection of Cameron Road and Rundberg Lane
2. Entire length of E. Applegate Lane
3. Intersection of Hermitage Drive and Furness Drive
4. Intersection of Rutherford Lane and the I-35 frontage road
5. Entire length of Loralinda Drive
6. Entire length of E. Rundberg Lane
7. Intersection of Shenandoah Drive and Pepperell Court
8. Intersection of Shenandoah Drive and Hermitage Drive
9. Along Hermitage Lane, Grayledge Drive, Furness Drive, and Rutherford Lane
10. Middle Fiskville Road, especially at the intersection of Middle Fiskville Road and E. Rundberg Lane
11. The I-35 frontage road
12. Intersection of Childress Drive and Faylin Drive
13. The northwest area of Heritage Hills, from Park Plaza to Rutherford Lane
14. Corner of E. Rundberg Lane and Marlborough Drive
15. Entire length of Bluff Bend Drive

#### The Duck Pond

This beautiful duck pond (above) is located off of E. Applegate Drive in North Acres, which is in the Windsor Hills NPA. The duck pond is privately owned by the homeowners that surround it. Many people walk down E. Applegate Drive to view it from the public right of way. Public access to the pond is prohibited.

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**REC 82:** Encourage the community (via articles on a neighborhood Facebook account, neighborhood news letters, word-of-mouth, or list serves) to call 311 or their APD district representative and report: (RP: HHWHCNPA)

- Front and Side Yard Parking violators;
- The expansion of driveway areas;
- The improper storage of vehicles, such as trailers, boats, RVs; and
- Vehicles that block traffic or are a traffic hazard on the street, especially along: (RP: HHWHCNPA)
  - E. Applegate Drive
  - Newport Avenue and Salem Lane (west end)
  - Bluff Bend Drive (businesses)

- E. Braker Lane and Bluff Bend Road (around the restaurant on corner)
- In front of the duplexes around Dobie Middle School, including Teasdale Terrace and Aberdeen Way

**REC 112:** Explore opportunities to work with local tree programs to increase the tree canopy coverage, especially in the following locations:  
(RP: HHWHCNPA, Non-Governmental Agencies)

- Along E. Applegate and Meadowmear Drive
- Along Rutherford Lane
- Gus Garcia Recreation Center (PARD)
- Hart Elementary School
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- Along Middle Fiskville (near the Frito Lay distribution center and the City of Austin substation)
- Dobie Middle School
- E. Braker Lane (at retail centers)
- Graham Elementary School
- Cameron-Dessau Road, from E. Braker Lane to US 183/Anderson Lane

**REC 118:** Raise city-wide awareness regarding the importance and beauty of the following corridors or grouping of trees at the following locations to promote their preservation (RP: HHWHCNPA)

- Shenandoah Drive, from Hermitage Drive to Rutherford Lane
- Hermitage Drive, from the I-35 frontage road to Shenandoah Drive
- Applegate Lane and around the duck pond
- NW corner of Cameron Road and 183 near Luby's Restaurant and the Shell Gas Station (preserve oaks)

**REC 164:** Construct new sidewalks at the following locations to promote a more walkable neighborhood (*see map, below: Sidewalk Recommendations*) (RP: COA, TXDOT)

1. Entire length of E. Applegate Drive, from I-35 to Dessau Road.
2. Entire east side of Middle Fiskville Road, from E. Rundberg Lane to I-35.
3. Entire length of Hermitage Drive, from I-35 to Furness Drive.
4. East side of the I-35 frontage road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
5. Aberdeen Way, from E. Rundberg Lane to Childress Drive.
6. Entire perimeter of the Dobie Middle School property, including Teasdale Terrace, Tartan Lane, and Aberdeen Way.
7. Entire length of Loralinda Drive, from Hermitage Drive to Furness Drive.
8. Entire length of Furness Drive, from Loralinda Drive to Hermitage Drive.
9. Along Shenandoah Drive, from Rutherford Lane to Hermitage Drive.
10. Chantilly Lane, from Shenandoah Drive to Loralinda Drive.
11. East side of Marlborough Drive, from Childress Drive to E. Rundberg Lane.

**REC 165:** Install sidewalk ramps along the following streets: (RP: COA, TXDOT)

1. Childress Drive, from Hansford Road to Dessau Road.
2. I-35 frontage road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
3. Marlborough Drive, from Childress Drive to E. Rundberg Lane.
4. Meadowmear Drive, from Warrington Drive to Dessau Road.
5. Warrington Drive, from Hansford Drive to E. Applegate Drive.
6. Park Plaza, from I-35 to the where it dead ends into a cul-de-sac.
7. Cameron-Dessau Road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
8. Furness Drive, from Hermitage Lane to Rutherford Lane.

**REC 166:** Repair sidewalks in the following locations: (RP: COA)

1. E. Braker Lane, from I-35 to Dessau Road.
2. Shenandoah Drive, Loralinda Drive, from Hermitage Drive to Furness Drive.
3. Widen and repair the sidewalk along Cameron-Dessau Road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane, with special attention on the segment between Collinwood West Drive and E. Applegate Drive.

**REC 170:** Install a pedestrian bridge or sidewalks adjacent to the existing bridge on E. Applegate Drive, between Warrington Drive and Newport Avenue. (RP: COA)

**REC 174:** Explore the feasibility of conducting traffic calming studies to reduce cut-through traffic and speeding on the following roads: (RP: COA)

1. E. Applegate Drive, from I-35 to Dessau Road.
2. Bluff Bend Drive, from E. Braker Lane and Hansford Drive.
3. Middle Fiskville Road, from I-35 to E. Rundberg Lane.
4. North Plaza Drive, from Park Plaza to E. Rundberg Lane.
5. Park Plaza, from I-35 to E. Rundberg Lane.
6. Hermitage Drive, from I-35 to Furness Drive.
7. Furness Drive, from Hermitage Drive to Rutherford Lane.
8. Cameron-Dessau Road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
9. I-35 frontage road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
10. Rutherford Lane, from I-35 to Cameron Road.
11. Floredale Drive, from Middle Fiskville Road to Cy Lane.
12. Meadowmear Drive, from Warrington Drive to Dessau Road.
13. Loralinda Drive, from Hermitage Drive to Furness Drive.
14. Dallum Drive, from Randall Drive to Collingsworth Drive.
15. Teasdale Terrace, from Aberdeen Way to E. Rundberg Lane.

**REC 175:** Explore the feasibility of conducting a traffic study to reduce blind spots at the following locations: (RP: COA)

1. The intersection of Collinwood West Drive and Bluff Bend Drive.
2. The intersection of Aberdeen Way and Teasdale Terrace.
3. The intersection of Dessau Road and E. Applegate Drive.
4. The south end of Dallum Drive, which intersects with Collingsworth Drive.
5. Intersection of Shenandoah Drive and Hermitage Drive.
6. Intersection of Rutherford Drive and the I-35 frontage road.

**REC 176:** Examine the feasibility of conducting a traffic study to alleviate



traffic congestion and increase traffic safety at the following locations: (RP: COA)

1. Rutherford Lane, from Connor Lane to Cameron Road.
2. Cameron Road, from Rutherford Drive to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
3. The intersection of E. Rundberg Lane and Cameron Road.
4. The intersection of E. Rundberg Lane and the I-35 frontage road.
5. The intersection of the I-35 frontage road and Rutherford Lane.
6. The intersection of Dessau Road and E. Applegate Drive.
7. The intersection of Dessau Road and Meadowmear Drive.
8. The intersection of Dessau Road and Brighton Lane.
9. The intersection of E. Rundberg Lane and Middle Fiskville Road.

REC 181: Request the City to prohibit cars from parking along East Applegate Drive near the duck pond, from Newport Avenue to Faylin Drive, and backing this action up by implementing the following options: (RP: COA, HHWHCNP)

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8. Intersection of Shenandoah Drive and Hermitage Drive.
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**Chaffin, Heather**

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**From:** Tamera Allen  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 11, 2018 10:10 AM  
**To:** Chaffin, Heather  
**Subject:** Fwd: 10300 Dessau

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**Sent:** Saturday, August 11, 2018 11:39 AM  
**To:** Chaffin, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: re Zoning change of 10300 Dessau Road from SF-3-NP to SF-6-NP

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Gil Moll  
1101 Newport Ave, 78753

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Kathie Clark  
1203 Newport Avenue

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#### **The Duck Pond**

This beautiful duck pond (above) is located off of E. Applegate Drive in North Acres, which is in the Windsor Hills NPA. The duck pond is privately owned by the homeowners that surround it. Many people walk down E. Applegate Drive to view it from the public right of way. Public access to the pond is prohibited.

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- The improper storage of vehicles, such as trailers, boats, RVs; and
- Vehicles that block traffic or are a traffic hazard on the street, especially along: (RP: HHWHCNPA)
  - E. Applegate Drive
  - Newport Avenue and Salem Lane (west end)
  - Bluff Bend Drive (businesses)
  - E. Braker Lane and Bluff Bend Road (around the restaurant on corner)
  - In front of the duplexes around Dobie Middle School, including Teasdale Terrace and Aberdeen Way

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- Cameron-Dessau Road, from E. Braker Lane to US 183/Anderson Lane

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- Hermitage Drive, from the I-35 frontage road to Shenandoah Drive
- Applegate Lane and around the duck pond
- NW corner of Cameron Road and 183 near Luby's Restaurant and the Shell Gas Station (preserve oaks)

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2. Entire east side of Middle Fiskville Road, from E. Rundberg Lane to I-35.
3. Entire length of Hermitage Drive, from I-35 to Furness Drive.
4. East side of the I-35 frontage road, from E. Braker Lane to US HWY 183/E. Anderson Lane.
5. Aberdeen Way, from E. Rundberg Lane to Childress Drive.
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7. Entire length of Loralinda Drive, from Hermitage Drive to Furness Drive.
8. Entire length of Furness Drive, from Loralinda Drive to Hermitage Drive.
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14. Dallum Drive, from Randall Drive to Collingsworth Drive.
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6. Intersection of Rutherford Drive and the I-35 frontage road.

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**Chaffin, Heather**

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**From:** Benjamin Howard  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 21, 2018 6:49 PM  
**To:** Meredith, Maureen; Chaffin, Heather  
**Subject:** Zoning change at 10300 Dessau Rd.

Hello, I am writing in regard to the proposed zoning change of 10300 Dessau Road from SF-3-NP to SF-6-NP (NPA-2018-0028.01, C14-2018-0075).

I am a resident of Warrington Drive in Windsor Hills. The property in question is within 500 feet of mine, which was confirmed to me in a mailed notice from CoA.

I do not support this zoning change. My primary concern is increased traffic in an area that isn't physically ready to support it.

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I also have general reservations about the increase in density and the inevitable impact on property taxes.

Sincerely,  
Benjamin Howard  
1326 Warrington Dr.



**Chaffin, Heather**

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**From:** Eric Moya ·  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 14, 2018 10:28 PM  
**To:** Chaffin, Heather  
**Subject:** Fwd: zoning change of 10300 Dessau Road

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Eric Moya <  
**Date:** August 14, 2018 at 10:26:10 PM CDT  
**To:** [maureen.meredith@austintexas.gov](mailto:maureen.meredith@austintexas.gov), [heather.chaffin@ustintexas.gov](mailto:heather.chaffin@ustintexas.gov)  
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Eric Moya

(Further arguments against from our listserv that I am in agreement with, below)

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**Sent:** Monday, August 13, 2018 7:53 PM  
**To:** Meredith, Maureen; Chaffin, Heather  
**Subject:** AGAINIST change of Zoning 103000 Dessau

*I own 8905 North Plaza Court #58 Austin ,TX I wish you would consider ways of reducing traffic instead of increasing. Please check with the city of Austin police they will be able to verify the amount of accident on North Plaza monthly.. I an sure there is one EVERY Month. In the morning coming out going to work I pray I don't want to get hit. Due to hill and drive for complex is lower. I did not think about it when buying because I really needed a place to live.*

*Thank you*

*Sharon C. Bennett*

**Chaffin, Heather**

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**From:** Bob Tyler <  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 11, 2018 1:42 PM  
**To:** Chaffin, Heather  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dessau and Applegate

Bob Tyler  
(512)-201-1500  
Fax (512)-201-1505

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Bob Tyler  
**Date:** August 11, 2018 at 10:49:00 AM CDT  
**To:** [heather.chaffin@ustintexas.gov](mailto:heather.chaffin@ustintexas.gov)  
**Cc:** [maureen.meredith@austintexas.gov](mailto:maureen.meredith@austintexas.gov)  
**Subject:** Dessau and Applegate

I have lived in north acres for 15 years. Traffic has increased dramatically over that time. In addition, since Austin police "cleaned up" prostitution and drug sales in the Ben White area it moved to rundberg and 35 just south of our neighborhood. Our neighborhood is s buffer zone between the rundberg area and the colinwood/Pflugerville area.

Apartments or high density development is not appropriate. Dessau can't handle that there it will be one accident after another.

In addition, every 3-6 months we have helicopters performing s search for criminals over our neighborhood.

Adding additional high density development is a step in the wrong direction. More accidents, more traffic, more criminal activity.

More single family development would be appropriate.

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