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### ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

<u>CASE:</u> C14-2019-0090 – 7505 Cooper Lane

ZONING FROM: DR

ZONING TO: SF-6

DISTRICT: 2

ADDRESSES: 7501, 7503, 7505, 7507, 7509, and 7511 Cooper Lane

SITE AREA: 9.85 acres

<u>PROPERTY OWNERS:</u> Estate of Nelma Mueller (Donnie Carter and Darlene Graber, Independent Executors); Donnie Carter

APPLICANT / AGENT: David Weekley Homes (Evan Caso)

CASE MANAGER: Wendy Rhoades (512-974-7719, wendy.rhoades@austintexas.gov)

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

**The Staff recommendation is to grant townhouse and condominium residence (SF-6) district zoning.** *The basis of Staff's recommendation is provided on page 2.* 

The Restrictive Covenant includes all recommendations listed in the Neighborhood Traffic Analysis memo, dated September 18, 2019, as provided in Attachment A.

ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION ACTION / RECOMMENDATION: October 1, 2019:

CITY COUNCIL ACTION: October 31, 2019:

### ORDINANCE NUMBER:

**ISSUES:** 

None at this time.

### CASE MANAGER COMMENTS:

The subject rezoning area consists of six platted lots that contain five single family residences. The Cooper Lane frontage contains five of the six lots and is zoned single family residence – standard lot (SF-2) district. One flag lot extending from Cooper Lane is zoned development reserve (DR) district and comprises a majority of the rezoning area. Recently constructed condominiums are directly north (SF-6-CO), an undeveloped tract with South First Street frontage is to the east (DR), an undeveloped property approved for condominiums is to the south (SF-6-CO), and single family residences on large lots and

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tracts, and an event production business are to the west (DR). *Please refer to Exhibits A* (Zoning Map), A-1 (Aerial View).

The Applicant proposes to rezone the property to the townhouse and condominium residence (SF-6) district as the first step in constructing up to 98 condominium units. SF-6 zoning allows for the ability to introduce a different type of housing to the area, yet condominiums, including those recently constructed on Cooper Lane can have more of a single family appearance, and be compatible with the existing single family residences in the vicinity. In 2014, a similarly situated property directly north received approval for SF-6-CO zoning and was recently constructed (Cooper Lane Condominiums). The Owner was required to widen the pavement to accommodate a dedicated left turn lane into the property, and this is consistent with the requirements outlined in the attached Neighborhood Traffic Analysis. The adjacent property to the south was rezoned to SF-6-CO in December 2015 and is currently in the site plan review process for 30 stand-alone condominium units on 4.67 acres. *Please refer to Exhibits A (Zoning Map), A-1 (Aerial View) and B (Recorded Plats).* 

# BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:

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

The townhouse and condominium residence (SF-6) district is intended as an area for moderate density single family, duplex, two-family, townhouse and condominium use. The Applicant intends to develop the property with a condominium project consisting of standalone condominium units per structure.

Zoning changes should promote an orderly and compatible relationship among land uses.
 Zoning should be consistent with approved and existing residential densities.

This is a case of residential infill in a lower density residential area that has recent approvals and pending zoning changes for more compact development. There will be an impact on Cooper Lane with additional vehicle trips, and like the adjacent condominiums to the north, the Owner will be responsible for right-of-way dedication and a separate left-turn lane for entering site traffic.

In the broader city-wide context, SF-6 zoning is a reasonable option for multiple-acre parcels developed or redeveloped as residential infill. As indicated in the purpose statement of the district, SF-6 can be a transition to single-family residential – reflecting it is an appropriate and compatible use.

In conclusion, Staff believes the proposed SF-6 zoning and condominium development is compatible with the single-family character of the area that now includes two similarly situated condominium projects on the east side of Cooper Lane and one proposed zoning change on the west side.

# EXISTING ZONING AND LAND USES:

	ZONING	LAND USES		
Site	DR; SF-2	Six single family residences; Undeveloped		
North	SF-6-CO; SF-2	Condominiums - detached; Single family residences in the		
		Buckingham Estates Phase 2 Section 1 subdivision		
South	SF-6-CO; DR	Residences and outbuildings on large tracts (1 lot		
		approved for SF-6-CO with site plan in review, see		
		Related cases section)		
East	DR	Undeveloped		
West	NO-MU-CO; SF-6-	Religious assembly; Telecommunications tower; Pipeline		
	CO; DR	easement; Residences and outbuildings on large tracts (1		
		tract proposed for SF-6, see Related cases section); Event		
		production / custom fabrication		

AREA STUDY: Not Applicable

NTA: Is required - Please refer to Attachment A

SCENIC ROADWAY: No

WATERSHED: South Boggy Creek – Suburban

# CAPITOL VIEW CORRIDOR: No

# NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:

39 – Matthews Lane Neighborhood Association
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627 – Onion Creek Homeowners Association
742 – Austin Independent School District
1228 – Sierra Club, Austin Regional Group
1363 – SEL Texas
1374 – Friends of Williams Elementary
1424 – Preservation Austin
1429 – Go!Austin / Vamos!Austin (GAVA) – 78745
1528 – Bike Austin
1530 – Friends of Austin Neighborhoods
1531 – South Austin Neighborhood Alliance
1550 – Homeless Neighborhood Association
1578 – South Park Neighbors
1616 – Neighborhood Empowerment Foundation

Williams Elementary School

Bedichek Middle School Croc

Crockett High School

# AREA CASE HISTORIES:

NUMBER	REQUEST	COMMISSION	CITY COUNCIL
C14-2019-0090 -	DR to SF-6	To Grant, as requested	Scheduled for
7410 Cooper Ln			10-17-2019.
C14-2015-0061 -	DR; SF-2 to	Apvd SF-6-CO w/CO	Apvd SF-6-CO as
Townbridge Homes	SF-6	for 10' vegetative	ZAP recommended,
Rezoning – 7513		buffer and bike/ped	w/an add'l condition to
and 7603 Cooper		connections along the	prohibit gated access
Ln		north, east and south	on the property
		sides	(12-17-2015).

C14 2015 0120	SF-2-CO to SF-		
C14-2015-0129 – 7804 Cooper Ln	3-CO	Apvd SF-3-CO w/CO limited to 4 units and	Apvd SF-3-CO as ZAP recommended,
		prohibiting access to	w/an add'l condition to
		Cooper Ln	limit the number of driveways to 1 on
			Dittmar Rd
			(4-24-2016).
C14-2014-0052 – Cooper Lane Rezoning – 7405,	DR; SF-2 to SF- 6-CO, as amended	To Grant SF-6-CO w/CO for a max of 65 units, 25' vegetative	Apvd as SF-6-CO with a Restrictive Covenant as Commission
7409 and 7415 Cooper Ln		buffer along the north property line, restrict uses to sf,	recommended (8-28- 2014). <u>Note</u> : Site plan apvd for 65 two-story
		townhouse/condo, and the conds. of the	condos w/drives, sidewalks, utilities,
		Neighborhood Traffic Analysis, and add'l	drainage and other associated
		conds. for full access to	improvements on 9.86
		Sir Gawain, sidewalks	acres.
		to Sir Gawain and Cooper Ln, stub-out to	
		property to south	
		between Lots 43 and 54	
		(refer to Concept Plan),	
		traffic calming device	
		on private street close	
		to Sir Gawain, and	
		secondary entrance/exit to Cooper Ln.	
C14-2014-0049 -	CS-CO to MF-1	To Grant MF-1-CO	Apvd MF-1-CO as
Cooper Villas –		w/CO prohibiting	ZAP recommended
7805 Cooper Ln		residential uses	(6-26-2014).
C14-05-0161 –	DR; LO to CS	To Grant CS-CO for	Apvd CS-CO and MF-
Prunty Tracts –	for Tract 1; MF-	convenience storage	1-CO as ZAP
7720 S 1st St;	1 for Tract 2	and plant nursery and all W/LO uses on Tract	recommended (12-15- 2005) Note: Site Plan
7801-7805 Cooper Ln; 630-640		1, and MF-1-CO for	2005). <u>Note</u> : Site Plan apvd for 41 one-story
Dittmar Rd		Tract 2; 2,000 trips	condo units w/parking,
		across Tracts 1 & 2	pond, rain garden, pool
			& amenity center on
			3.82 acres.
C14-02-0069 -	DR to LO	To Grant NO-MU-CO	Apvd NO-MU-CO as
New Life Assembly		w/CO limited to day	ZAP recommended
of God, Inc. – 7612		care (general) and	(8-29-2002).
Cooper Ln		permitted SF-2 uses with building and	
		with building and	

C14-02-0039 – Della – 7600 ½ Cooper Ln	DR to SF-6	impervious cover limited to SF-2 development regulations. To Grant SF-6-CO, to allow for a telecommunications tower, with SF-2 development standards.	Apvd SF-6-CO zoning as ZAP recommended (6-27-2002).
C14-02-0018 – Della – 7600 ½ Cooper Ln	DR to MF-1	Withdrawn	Not Applicable

# RELATED CASES:

The property was annexed into the City limits on November 15, 1984 (C7A-83-017 A).

The property is platted as Lot 1, Cooper Lane Addition, a subdivision recorded in November 1962 and Lots 1-A, 2-A, 3-A, 4-A and 5-A, Resubdivision of Lot 2, Cooper Lane Addition, a subdivision recorded in December 1972 (C8S-62-134 and C8S-72-332).

# EXISTING STREET CHARACTERISTICS:

Name	ROW	Pavement	Classification	Sidewalks	Bicycle Route	Capital Metro (within <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> mile)
Cooper Lane	60 feet	20 feet	ASMP level 2 (Residential Collector)	No	Yes	None

According to the Austin 2014 Bicycle Plan approved by Austin City Council in November 2014, a shared lane bike facility is recommended for Cooper Lane.

# OTHER STAFF COMMENTS:

### Comprehensive Planning

This rezoning case is located on the east side of Cooper Lane, on several lots that are not located within the boundaries of a neighborhood planning area. The property is approximately **9.85 acres** in size and contains two houses and approximately 9.15 acres of undeveloped land. Surrounding land uses include a single family subdivision and a convenience storage facility to the north; to the south is undeveloped land and single family housing; to the east is undeveloped land and a single family subdivision; and the west is a small farm and a single family subdivision. The proposal is to retain the existing two houses

on the property and develop the rest of the property into 98 unit townhouse/condominium project, under Zone SF-6 development standards.

# Connectivity

The Walkscore for this site is **31/100, Car-Dependent**, meaning most errands require a car. A CapMetro stop is located on South 1<sup>st</sup> Street, within 2,100 linear feet from the site. There are no public sidewalks or bike lanes located along Cooper Lane, which is a narrow rural road. The mobility and connectivity options in the area are limited.

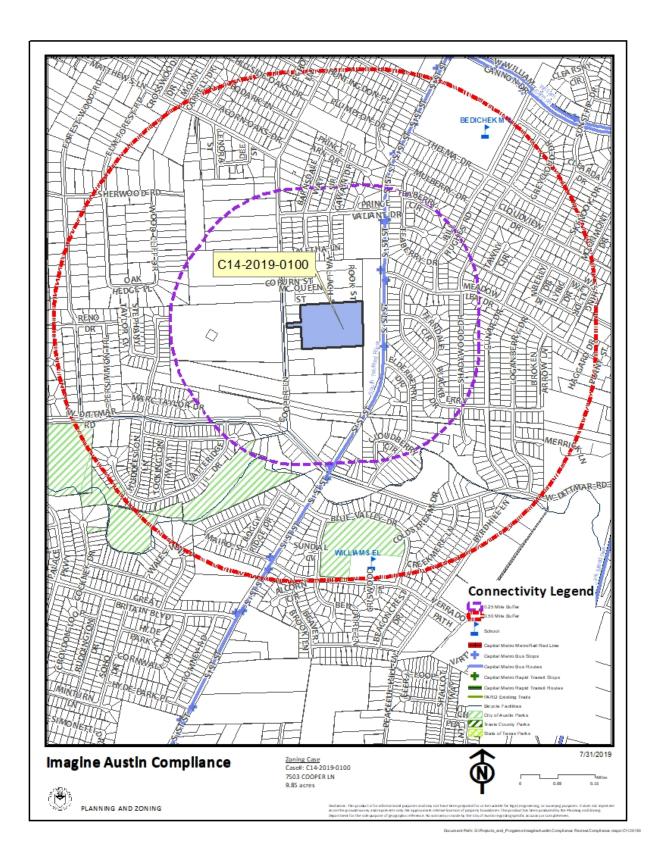
# **Imagine Austin**

The property is not located along an Activity Center or Corridor. The following Imagine Austin policies are applicable to this case:

- LUT P4. Protect neighborhood character by directing growth to areas of change that include designated redevelopment areas, corridors and infill sites. Recognize that different neighborhoods have different characteristics and new and infill development should be sensitive to the predominant character of these communities.
- LUT P5. Create healthy and family-friendly communities through development that includes a mix of land uses and housing types and affords realistic opportunities for transit, bicycle, and pedestrian travel and provides both community gathering spaces, parks and safe outdoor play areas for children.
- **HN P1.** Distribute a variety of housing types throughout the City to expand the choices able to meet the financial and lifestyle needs of Austin's diverse population.

The Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint, which is an amendment to Imagine Austin, includes goals for affordable housing in every City Council district. Some of these goals include: (1) preventing households from being priced out of the Austin; (2) providing an affordable housing choice; and (3) protecting diverse communities. While this residential project does not identify as an affordable housing project, it will provide much needed missing middle housing (condos or townhouses). Based on this project providing much needed missing middle housing, but lacking nearby mobility options (public sidewalks, bike lanes) it appears to only partially support the some of the policies of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.

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# <u>Drainage</u>

The developer is required to submit a pre- and post-development drainage analysis at the subdivision and site plan stage of the development process. The City's Land Development Code and Drainage Criteria Manual require that the Applicant demonstrate through engineering analysis that the proposed development will have no identifiable adverse impact on surrounding properties.

# Environmental

The site is not located over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. The site is in the South Boggy 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. The site is in the Desired Development Zone.

Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment on this site will be subject to the following impervious cover limits:

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

According to floodplain maps there is no floodplain within or adjacent to the project location.

Standard landscaping and tree protection will be required in accordance with LDC 25-2 and 25-8 for all development and/or redevelopment.

At this time, site specific information is unavailable regarding vegetation, areas of steep slope, or other environmental features such as bluffs, springs, canyon rimrock, caves, sinkholes, and wetlands.

Under current watershed regulations, development or redevelopment requires water quality control with increased capture volume and control of the 2 year storm on site.

# Impervious Cover

The maximum impervious cover allowed by SF-6 zoning district is 55%, a consistent figure between the *zoning and watershed* regulations.

# Site Plan and Compatibility Standards

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

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.

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

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

# **COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS**

The site is subject to compatibility standards due to the adjacency of single family residences to the west and south. The following standards apply:

- No structure in excess of two stories or 30 feet in height may be constructed within 50 feet of the property line.
- 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 zoned SF-5 or more restrictive.
- An intensive recreational use, including a swimming pool, tennis court, ball court, or playground, may not be constructed 50 feet or less from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district.

# **DEMOLITION AND HISTORIC RESOURCES**

The applicant is responsible for requesting relocation and demolition permits once the site plan is approved. The City Historic Preservation Officer will review all proposed building demolitions and relocations prior to site plan approval. If a building meets city historic criteria, the Historic Landmark Commission may initiate a historic zoning case on the property.

### **Transportation**

The Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP) adopted 04/11/2019, calls for 78 feet of right-ofway for Cooper lane. Additional right-of-way may be required at the time of subdivision and / or site plan. 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].

A Neighborhood Traffic Analysis is required for this project. The NTA requires three (3) consecutive 24 hour tube counts, preferably on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, during a non-holiday week when school is in session. Please contact South Area Development Engineer Justin Good (Justin.Good@austintexas.gov) to discuss the location of the tube counts. Results are provided in Attachment A [LDC 25-6-114].

# Water and Wastewater

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. The water and wastewater utility plan must be reviewed and approved by Austin Water for compliance with City criteria and suitability for operation and maintenance.

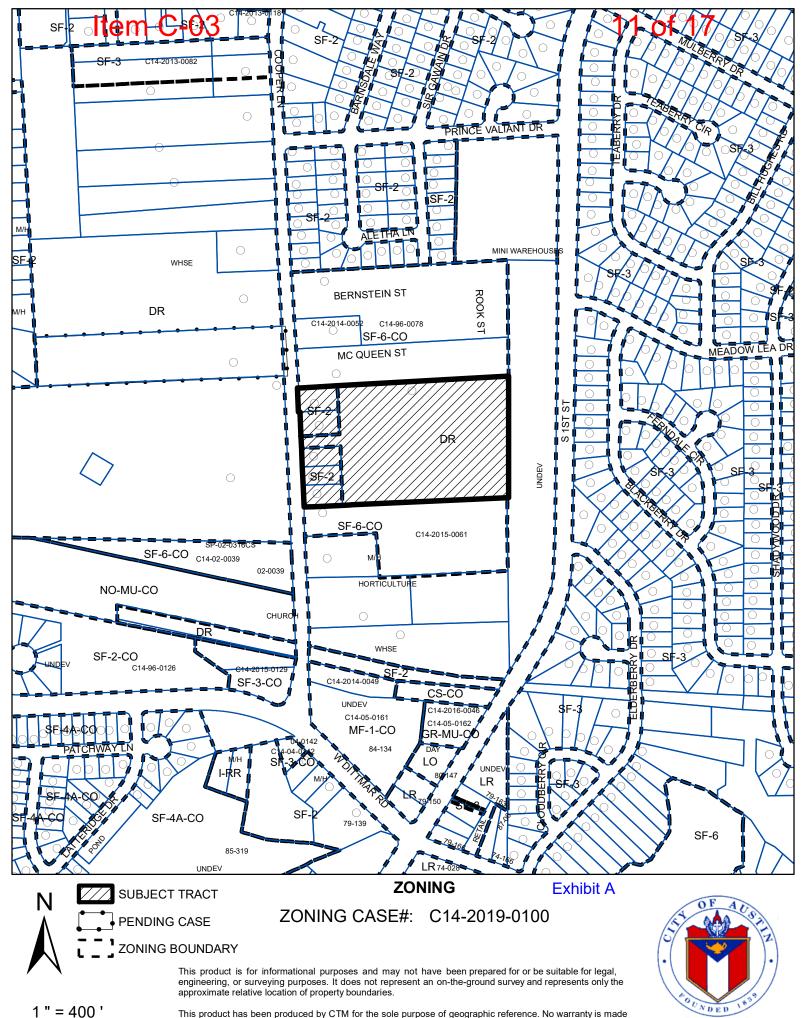
Depending on the development plans submitted, water and or wastewater service extension requests may be required. All water and wastewater construction must be inspected by the City of Austin.

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 AND ATTACHMENT TO FOLLOW

Exhibits A and A-1: Zoning Map and Aerial View Exhibit B: Recorded Plat

Attachment A: Neighborhood Traffic Analysis memo

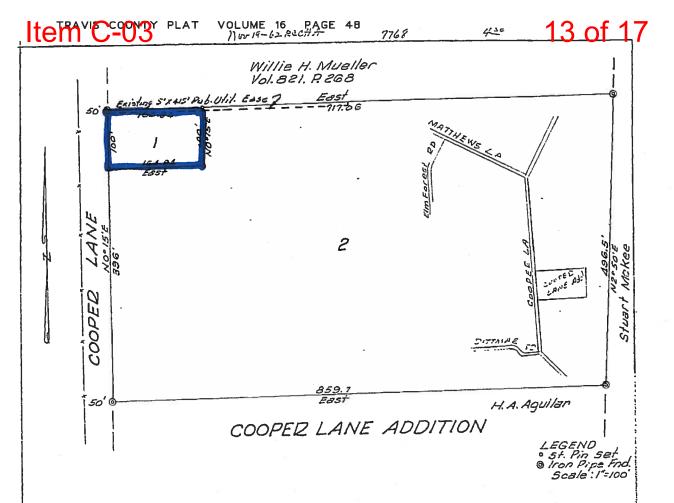


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#### STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS

I, Miss Emilie Limberg, Clerk of the county court within and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing instrument of writing with its certificate of auther 

WITHESS MY HAND AND SEAL of the court of said county, the date last written above.

Miss Bhilie Limberg, Clerk County Court, Travis County,

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LUMALI OF TRAVES I, Miss Emilie Limberg Clerk of the county court, within and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that on the <u>19</u> day of <u>Here</u> AD 1962 the Countssioner's Court of Travis County, Texas, and an endow mithemicist the filter for woord of passed an order authorizing the filing for record of this play, and that said order has been duly entered in the minutes of said court in Book 3 at page 352.

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By \_\_\_\_ Q Etaylen Deputy

"In approving this plat by the Commissioner's Court of Travis County, Texas, it is understood that the building of all streets, roads or other public thor-oughfares shall be the responsibility of the owner and/or developer of the tract of land covered by this plat, in accordance with plans and specifications measuring by the Commissioner Court of Travis Court prescribed by the Commissioners Court of Travis County, Texas, and the Commissioner's Court of Travis County, Texas, assumes no obligation to build any of the streats, roads or other public thoroughfares shown on this plat, or any bridges or culverts in connection therewith."

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COUNTY OF TRAVIS: KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

COUNTY OF TRAVIS: KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS That we, Johnnie Lee Mueller and wife, Nelma Mueller, owners of that certain 9.9/ acre tract of land out of the William Cannon League in Travis County, Texas, conveyed to us by deed of record in Vol. 829 at Page /53 Deed Records of Travis County, Texas, do hereby subdivide said tract in accordance with the attached plat, said subdivision to be known as COUPER LANE ADDITION, and we do hereby dedicate to the public the streets and easements shown hereon. WITNESS OUR HANDS, THIS THE / 57 DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 1962.

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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS

Bv :

Before me the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared Johnnie Lee Mueller and Nelma Mueller, his wife, both known to me to be the persons whose names his wife, both known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and the said Johnnie Lee Mueller acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein ex-pressed. The said Nelma Mueller, wife of the said Johnnie Mueller, having been examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the same fully explained to her, acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and declared to me that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it.

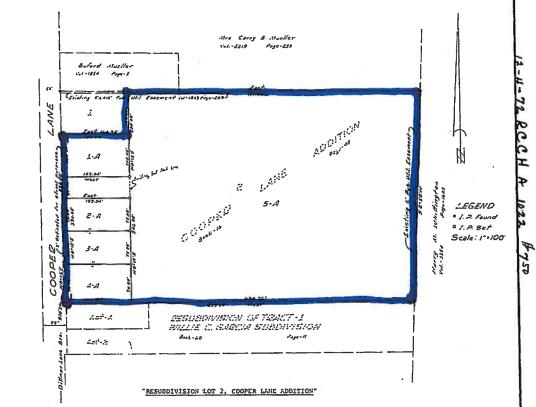
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STATE OF TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS: KNOW ALL NEN BY THESE PRESENTS That we, Johnnie Lee Nuclier and wife, Nelma Nuclier, owners of Lot 2, Cooper Lane Addition, a subdivision, by us, of a portion of the Killiam Cannon League, in Travis County, Texas, according to a plat of record in Book 16 at Page 45 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, do haroby rosubdivide said lot in accordance with the attached plat, said resubdivision to be known as "RESUBDIVISION LOT 2, COOPER LANE ADDITION", and do hereby dedicate to the public the streats and casements shown hereon. WITHESS OUR NUNDS this the <u>15</u><sup>th</sup> day of <u>MD14 CMPAP</u>. A.D. 1972.

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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Johnnie Lee Mueller and wife, Nohma Mueller, known to ne to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed. 

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DATE 9-26-72

Marie Carter Notary Public in and for Travis County, Texas

#### STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS

COUNTY OF TRAVIS I. Doris Shropshiro, Clerk of the County Court, within and for the County and State aforesaid, do horeby certify that the foregoing instrument of writing with its certificate of authonication was filed for record in my office on phe 4 day of Alarka A.D. 1972 at 10 o'clock C.N. and duly recorded on the 4 day of N.D. 1972 at 10 50° clock C.N. in the Flat Records of Said County in Book 6 2 at Page 3 WINNESS MY HAND AND SEAL of the Court of said County, the day Last writer above.

the date last written above. Doris Shropshire, Clerk County Court, Travis County, Texas.

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<u>11-30-72</u> Richard R. Lillie, DATE Director of Planning

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NOTE: No lot in this subdivision shell be occupied until water satisfactory for human consumption is available from a source on the land, a community source, or a public utility source, in adequate supply for family use, and operation of a septic tank. Said septic tank system to have a capacity of not less than 750 gallons with a drain field of not less than 300 square feet, and shall be installed in accordance with the regulations of the City-County Health Officer. This restriction is enforced by the City of Austin-Travis County Health Unit and/or the subdivider. ATRACAL WINTED TO INDUE FATULY NOTE RE-DENCE CNLT.

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EXHIBIT B RECORDED PLAT



# MEMORANDUM

То:	Wendy Rhoades, Case Manager
CC:	Evan Caso, Chris Blackburn, Amber Mitchell, Joan Jenkins, EIT
FROM:	Justin Good, P.E.
DATE:	September 18, 2019
SUBJECT:	Neighborhood Traffic Analysis for 7505 Cooper Lane
	Zoning Case # C14-2019-0100

The Transportation Development Services division has performed a Neighborhood Traffic Analysis for the above referenced case and offers the following comments.

The 9.85-acre tract is located in south Austin at 7505 Cooper Lane. The site is currently zoned Single Family Residence (SF-2) and Development Reserve (DR). The east is predominately zoned DR with SF-6 zones to the north and south. The DR zoning is vacant. The zoning request is for Townhouse and Condominium residence (SF-6).

#### <u>Roadways</u>

The tract proposes access to Cooper Lane. Cooper Lane is classified as a residential collector and would provide the main access to the site. The roadway currently has 60 feet of right-of-way and 20 feet of pavement. The roadway has two-lanes without curb and gutter and no sidewalks. The average 24-hour count traffic volume on Cooper Lane was 3,194 vehicles per day, based on data collected from August 27, 2019 to August 29, 2019.

#### **Trip Generation and Traffic Analysis**

Based on the Institute of Transportation Engineer's <u>Trip Generation Manual, 10<sup>th</sup> Edition</u>, the proposed 98 unit multi-family development, with the requested zoning of SF-6, will generate 857 vehicle trips per day.

Table 1.				
Land Use	Size	Unadjusted Trip Generation		
Multifamily Housing (Low- Rise)	98 units	857		
TOTAL		857		

# Attachment A

Table 2 represents the expected distribution of the 857 trips:

Table 2			
Street Traffic Distribution by Percen			
Copper Lane	100%		
TOTAL	100%		

Table 3 represents a breakdown of existing traffic on Cooper Lane, proposed site traffic, total traffic after development, and percentage increase in traffic on Cooper Lane.

Table 3						
Street	Existing Traffic (vpd)	Proposed New Site Traffic to each Roadway	Overall Traffic	Percentage Increase in Traffic		
Cooper Lane	3,194	857	4,051	21%		

According to Section 25-6-116 of the Land Development Code, streets which have pavement width of 40 feet or wider are considered to be operating at an undesirable traffic level if the average daily traffic volume for such roadways exceeds 4,000 vehicles per day. Cooper Lane will reach an undesirable operating level by proposed new site traffic. In order to account for increased stress on the surrounding traffic network due to site traffic, recommendations for mitigations/improvements are presented in the following section.

#### **Recommendations/Conclusions**

- 1. At time of subdivision or site plan, a total of 39 feet of right-of-way from the existing centerline of Cooper Lane should be dedicated in accordance with the Transportation Criteria Manual.
- 2. At time of subdivision or site plan, the applicant shall widen Cooper Lane along the property frontage to provide a separate left-turn lane for entering site traffic. The applicant should submit a schematic drawing with dimensions and a construction cost estimate signed and sealed by an engineer to verify the amount required for posting. It is recommended that these improvements be implemented by the applicant to assure safer access and circulation into the subdivision. The roadway improvements should be included with the site plan application and be designed according to the Transportation Criteria Manual.
- 3. To mitigate the increase of traffic on Cooper Lane and to encourage pedestrian connectivity in the area, it is recommended that the following improvements be explored at the time of subdivision or site plan: reconstruction of Cooper Lane to urban standards with curb and gutter, construction of all ages and abilities bicycle facilities, and construction of sidewalk along Cooper Lane.
- 4. If the number of units proposed in Table 1 are exceeded, the Transportation Development Services division will have to reassess the NTA.
- 5. The City Council may deny an application if the neighborhood traffic analysis demonstrates that the traffic generated by the project combined with existing traffic



exceeds the desirable operating level established on a residential local or collector street in the neighborhood traffic analysis study area.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 974-1449.

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Justin Good, P.E. Transportation Development Engineer – Lead: South Austin Transportation Department