

Chaffin, Heather

Subject: FW: Opposition Comment forms for city's case C14-2019-0049, and Support for Neighborhood Planning planner

From: Susan Auler
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 8:48 AM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Fox, Kathleen <Kathleen.Fox@austintexas.gov>
Cc: Alter, Alison <Alison.Alter@austintexas.gov>; Tovo, Kathie <Kathie.Tovo@austintexas.gov>
Subject: RE: Opposition Comment forms for city's case C14-2019-0049, and Support for Neighborhood Planning planner

From: Susan Auler
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 8:36 AM
To: heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov; kathleen.fox@austintexas.gov
Cc: alison.alter@austintexas.gov; kathie.tovo@austintexas.gov
Subject: Opposition Comment forms for city's case C14-2019-0049, and Support for Neighborhood Planning planner NPA-2019-0027.02

The following neighbors living in West Austin adamantly **oppose** the proposed zoning change, Case C14-2019-0049 and wholeheartedly support our Neighborhood Plan, **but oppose zoning change NPA-2019-0027.02**:

Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Edwin Auler (Susan), 1612 Watchhill Rd, Austin 78703
Dr. and Mrs. Mark Alfred Auler (Clary), 2306 Woodlawn Blvd, Austin 78703

We ask Alison Alter and Kathie Tovo to reject the revised "Code Next".

Chaffin, Heather

Subject: FW: Rezoning request--2401 Winsted Lane, Units 1-11
Attachments: Windsor Winsted intersection.jpg; WindsorWinsted detail.jpg

From: Darcy Randall
Sent: Monday, October 07, 2019 9:08 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Rezoning request--2401 Winsted Lane, Units 1-11

Dear Ms. Chaffin,

Re: Rezoning request, 2401 Winsted Lane, Units 1-11, Austin, Texas; File No C14-2019-0049U

I am writing to oppose the request to rezone the property listed above to create a restaurant. Although I sympathize with the developer's desire to create a convenient place for neighbors to gather, I do not think that the location--by the intersection of Winsted, Windsor, and Mopac--would be safe for customers or feasible in the long term for the developer.

I have lived in the neighborhood for 28 years and drive, walk, or bike past this busy Winsted/Windsor/Mopac intersection nearly every day. For years, I have witnessed wrecks, near wrecks, and the evidence of wrecks in this location. Windsor and Winsted are both narrow streets with heavy traffic, no public transportation, and no sidewalks. In addition, a line of traffic from Mopac zooms down a steep, curving ramp onto Windsor. I take extra precautions there and advise visitors to do the same.

This weekend, I walked past the site and found the Windsor/Winsted street sign broken and twisted. See attached photos. I do not know who or what caused this damage.

In addition, I am concerned about the lack of parking. The developer spoke at a recent West Austin Neighborhood Group (WANG) meeting and emphasized that he would supply a much-needed locale in walkable distance for neighbors. Yet I cannot see him succeeding through foot-traffic alone. If his business develops wider appeal, customers will need to park, and there is no place to do so except along the narrow streets nearby. When cars are parked along both sides of Winsted, I need to "take turns" with oncoming traffic proceeding in the opposite direction. When the new HEB opens on Lake Austin Boulevard, I suspect that Winsted will become even more congested because locals will want to avoid turning left from Exposition.

Finally, I am not "anti-development" or "anti-change." Still, I find it unwise to make a singular exception to support mixed-use zoning in a residential neighborhood, especially when the city is still considering new land code rules.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely yours,

D'Arcy Randall

2405 Bowman Ave.
Austin, TX 78703





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Subject: FW: No. C14-2019-0049, and Case No. NPA-2019-0027.02.

From: Ann C. Morales **Sent:** Sunday, October 06, 2019 9:39 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>; Fox, Kathleen <Kathleen.Fox@austintexas.gov>; Alter, Alison <Alison.Alter@austintexas.gov>; Tovo, Kathie <Kathie.Tovo@austintexas.gov>

Subject: RE: No. C14-2019-0049, and Case No. NPA-2019-0027.02.

I have lived in zip code 78703 since 1984. There is a pending request for rezoning to add restaurant zoning to the intersection of Windsor and Mopac (2401 Winsted). A restaurant in this area is completely absurd and I cannot believe it is even being considered. Forget the parking and traffic problems a restaurant or food truck would cause, and just focus on the fact that this is a NEIGHBORHOOD where families ride bikes and walk their animals and deserve to live in peace. Do not let this rezoning move forward.

Sincerely,

Ann & Hector Morales
2605 Escondido Cove
Austin, 78703

Chaffin, Heather

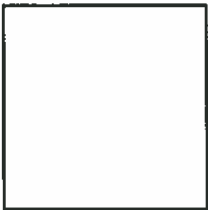
Subject: FW: I oppose zoning change: Case C14-2019-0049

From: Kelly Dickens
Sent: Sunday, October 06, 2019 4:51 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Subject: I oppose zoning change: Case C14-2019-0049

My extended family has lived in this neighborhood since 1992, and I oppose allowing this exception to our zoning plan.

I live at 2801 Macken Street.

Respectfully,



Kelly Dickens

Math Guide
Headwaters School

512.480.8142

Chaffin, Heather

Subject: FW: Opposition to Case No. C14-2019-0049

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From: Lisa Andrade <

Sent: Saturday, October 05, 2019 4:18 PM

To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>

Cc: Tovo, Kathie <Kathie.Tovo@austintexas.gov>; Alter, Alison <Alison.Alter@austintexas.gov>

Subject: Opposition to Case No. C14-2019-0049

Heather,

Thank you for all your efforts as Zoning City Planner in support of keeping Austin such a special place to live.

I am reaching out to vehemently OPPOSE the zoning change proposed by case C14-2019-0049.

The residential character of our neighborhood concurrent with its proximity to downtown is what makes it so great!

This case of proposed "spot zoning" clearly violates our thoughtfully defined neighborhood plan and will fundamentally change the neighborhood character and residential attractiveness if approved. Restaurants (even food trucks) are messy — they are noisy, they generate trash, create traffic, attract animals and don't have a place in our quaint neighborhood defined by its residential charm and urban proximity. Additionally, the intersection is already heavily traveled and has a somewhat complex layout with a traffic accident having occurred just recently!

I appreciate the owner/applicant's interest in providing additional dining options in our neighborhood but the real root of the problem stems from the fact that the owner of the Tarrytown Shopping Center zoned to be a commercial center for our community, applies strict vegan rules (no meat, no dairy, no leather) to any tenants in her shopping center preventing dining vendors from locating there. We don't need more commercial outlets in our area when other communities offer dining options nearby. Spot zoning is not the answer and will serve to move our community away from its core charm and our neighborhood plan.

Thank you, in advance, for recognizing the significant negative impact which well outweighs the potential benefit and voting AGAINST Case No. C14-2019-0049

Lisa Andrade
1308 Kent Lane
Austin, TX 78703

Chaffin, Heather

Subject: FW: Case Number C14-2019-0049U

From: Donna Thomas
Sent: Friday, October 04, 2019 8:48 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Case Number C14-2019-0049U

Heather,

My name is Donna Thomas and I and my husband live at 3404 Mt. Bonnell Road. We have just heard about the public hearing to be held on October 17th, 2019, and we, unfortunately will be out of town.

For that reason I am emailing you to let you, the City Council and the Planning Commission know that we totally object to the Rezoning request for 2401 Winsted Lane, Unites 1-11, Austin, Texas.

We moved into 78703 in 1972, moved three times no more than a few blocks from each other, raised our family there, made our friends there, walked the streets asking neighbors to sign petitions to keep our inner established neighborhood vibrant and safe and protected from the barrage of traffic speeding through our streets where children were playing and riding their bicycles. We lived on Preston, Hartford and Windsor. Unfortunately we had to move to Houston in 1997 but returned five and a half years later hoping to return to the area we loved, fought for and were so proud of. There were no homes available - or in our price range - so we moved as close to it as we could.

Austin today is different. It is spreading, sprawling and not very friendly. Traffic is horrific, housing is difficult, taxes are unbelievable, people yell at each other and it is an overall mess in so many ways. The inner residential neighborhoods need to be cherished and protected. That is where Austin's history is located. Stories and pictures from inner neighborhoods are in the Austin History Center archives. It's has large beautiful trees, architecturally historic houses and buildings, families that pay huge taxes to stay where they were raised or where their friends live or where they work. Tour buses drive through this particular neighborhood to show off and tell about Austin. Inner neighborhoods are the heart and soul that keeps Austin pretty and a good place to live. They are diverse and they are very important and they are valued.

To start messing with our inner residential neighborhoods will have a domino affect, not in a good way. This "spot zoning" is against city policy and it will not make anyone happy. Traffic, parking, noise, odors, fumes, lights.....all of these things are harmful and dangerous for the surrounding neighbors. 2401 Winsted is across the street from where we lived from 1975-1983. I cannot imagine having a restaurant or anything commercial in this area. Please, please, please take the long term affects into account and vote AGAINST this request. Stopping this kind of thing NOW is crucial if you want to keep Austin the beautiful place it is now.

Thank you for your service. Please take this issue sincerely into your hearts.

Donna Thomas

Chaffin, Heather

Subject: FW: In opposition/Case No C 14 - 2019-0049

From: Betty Osborne <bettyohome@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, October 07, 2019 3:12 PM
To: Chaffin, Heather <Heather.Chaffin@austintexas.gov>
Subject: In opposition/Case No C 14 - 2019-0049

Ms Chaffin

As a neighborhood member I am writing an opposition to Case No C 14 - 2019-0049. We have worked very hard to keep a neighborhood feel in the center of town in this situation on Winsted is contrary to everything we have work for over many years.

Thank you,
Elizabeth B. Osborne
2106 Meadowbrook Drive
Austin, TX 78703

Sent from my iPhone