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Subject: Case #C14-2020-0059

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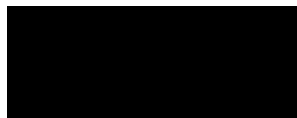
Ms. Sirwaitis and Mr. Rivera,

I am writing as a resident who resides adjacent to the land in question of the above referenced case, just on the other side of Walnut Creek from the proposed development. I am a staunch proponent of the proposed use of the land for a variety of reasons but first and foremost because left undeveloped the land has been used as a homeless and vagrant camp, not only decreasing the desirability for buyers to consider our new property for residing or investment but also as a risk to property loss.

As the former HOA president to Scofield Farms Meadows, I have had to call the police multiple times over a two year period for trespassing, camp fires, and theft. The homeless and various criminal actors have used that land to hide in or as cover to reach our property undetected. Developing the land in a responsible manner, in which I am confident after research into the developers and investors, is a must for our property and personal safety as well as a beautiful addition to this area that otherwise hosts far too many car repair, auto junkyard and low income housing alternatives. The proposed development will provide a far improved backdrop and extension to our own manicured neighborhood and I welcome the prospect of the build.

Not to mention, the proposed trail that the City is planning behind our property - down the road... Would be a shame for the homeless and criminal actors to make that feel unsafe with the cover of the surrounding undeveloped land. In which case, who would use it? Better that the trail should serve not only our community but the intended residents of the new development as well.

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From: Alexandra Haas <>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2020 10:24 AM
To: Sirwaitis, Sherri <Sherri.Sirwaitis@austintexas.gov>
Subject: Zoning case # C14-2020-0059

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Hi Sherri,

I am writing with concerns about the application to rezone 1417 West Howard Lane, the hearing for which is taking place tonight at 6PM. The area is prone to flooding and removing the natural ground cover will cause increased run-off into the surrounding areas. I do not believe that it is with the benefit of the surrounding community in mind that this application be approved. Developing a swath of land that large would also have a huge impact on the already fragile greenbelt area that runs close to

the property. This area is also home to 14 federally protected endangered species. The pathetic strip of land marked as undeveloped is not enough to prevent an impact on the ecosystem. I would like you to carefully consider the application and urge you to choose the correct environmental decision over fleeting commercial interests.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Haas