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Subject: Re: February 15, 2022 Proposed Consent Agenda - Zoning and Platting Commission Agenda

Greetings, Andrew,

I'd like to pull Item B-03 4833 Spicewood Springs from the Consent Agenda and include the following remarks in the backup materials for the Commissioners, if possible.

The Imagine Austin policies referenced as applicable to this case omit the following Imagine Austin references pertinent to proposals for potential zoning changes in the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone:

- LUT P21. Ensure that redevelopment in the Edwards Aquifer's recharge and contributing zones maintains the quantity and quality of recharge of the aquifer.
- LUT P22. Protect Austin's natural resources and environmental systems by limiting land use and transportation development in sensitive environmental areas and preserving areas of open space.
- CE P2. Conserve Austin's natural resources systems by limiting development in sensitive environmental areas, including the Edwards Aquifer, its contributing and recharge zones, and endangered species habitat.
- CFS P12. Maintain or enhance the existing rate of recharge in the Edward's Aquifer.

Additionally, please note that according to the City's own Imagine Austin Indicator Dashboard (regarding Priority Program 2 – Sustainably Manage our Water Resources), we are heading in the “wrong direction” when it comes to development within the Edwards Aquifer zones (<https://data.austintexas.gov/stories/s/Sustainably-Manage-Our-Water-Resources/iv2t-ch3h>). The data reflects that approximately a quarter of the development that has occurred since 2008 has been in the City's portion of the Edwards Aquifer and that over 50% of the Recharge Zone within the city is developed.

With appreciation,
Carrie