



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20250205-003

Date: February 5, 2025

Subject: Westcreek Mixed Use, SP-2023-0276C

Motion by: Jennifer Bristol

Second by: Perry Bedford

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission recognizes the applicant is requesting a Redevelopment Exception in the Barton Springs Zone [LDC 25-8-26]; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission recognizes this project requires approval from City Council because the redevelopment includes more than 25 dwelling units. The project proposes 305 units; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission recognizes the site is located in the property is located within Barton Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone classification, Drinking Water Protection Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission recognizes staff recommends this Staff recommends the Redevelopment Exception for this project.

THEREFORE, the Environmental Commission recommends the Redevelopment Exception with the following recommendations:

1. Upgrade the biofiltration ponds to a system that is SOS-compliant.
2. Consider EV charging stations and solar panels.
3. Mitigate run-off to adjacent neighborhoods with green infrastructure, including tiny forest concepts that utilize dense vegetation that also increases biodiversity and reduces heat islands.
4. Consider partnering with AISD to utilize the campuses as parkland with some of the parkland dedication fee going to the school to improve the property as a park setting.
5. Work with the school to offer signage or education materials on the aquifer and watershed.
6. Include pollinator gardens throughout the property.
7. Reduce impervious cover to 40% from 45.29%

Vote: 9-0

For: Perry Bedford, Jennifer Bristol, Richard Brimer, Justin Fleury, Mariana Krueger, Collin Nickels, Haris Qureshi, Melinda Schiera, David Sullivan

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hanna Cofer

Recuse: None

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Perry Bedford". The signature is written in a cursive style with large, rounded letters.

Perry Bedford, Environmental Commission Chair