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SHNA Meeting Minutes (March CY15):

March, 2015 Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, March 3

Location: Carver Library, 1161 Angelina St., Rm #2

Time: 6:30pm

Called Meeting to Order

Approved January meeting minutes

Adopted Agenda

1. Treasurer's Report – Steve Macon

February closing balance on SHNA account was \$2829.46 and included 3 disbursement totaling \$272.26 for reprographic / office expense

2. Old Business/Updates:

a. Discussion & Potential Action Historic Zoning Stasswender Tracts (20 min; Louisa Brinsmade)

Presentation given by Louisa Brinsmade and Bruce Sheehan on the history of the prominent Stasswender stone carving family in Swede Hill over three generations. The patriarch, Anton Stasswender built five homes at E. 16th St. and Waller. The homes are contributing resources to a potential R.S. Rector National Register Historic District according to a TXDOT Intensive-Level survey. The Historic Landmark Commission voted in January to initiate a review of the five Stasswender homes to determine their historic value. Preservation Austin voted to urge the HLC to recommend historic zoning for all five homes in light of the Stasswender family association with the structures. Neighbors asked Ms. Brinsmade and Mr. Sheehan if they wanted SHNA support for historic zoning of the homes. Ms. Brinsmade answered in the affirmative. A motion and a second ensued to vote to support historic zoning for the Stasswender homes.

Vote: 13 Yeas, 2 Abstentions (Rick McGee, Aundre Dukes)

b. 12th & Waller Hotel Update (10 min; Steven Macon)

Dannika Boyle responded to an enquiry from Steve Macon asking for an update on her proposal to build a boutique hotel on E. 12th St. and Olander. Ms. Boyle was unable to attend the SHNA meeting, but said that she is entering the permitting process and will not be seeking variances.

c. Tracts 3 & 5 Update (10 min; Louisa Brinsmade)

No update available. [Further update: repeated attempts have been made to contact the developer Austin Stowell with no response.]

3. SHNA Committees and Representatives

a. OCEAN update (Bill Minor)

- Wes Peoples Tracts (Louisa Brinsmade) - OCEAN voted to affirm and support Swede Hill and the Swede Hill Board's positions.)
- Huston Heights update (William Minor) - Robertson Hill is still in negotiation with Drenner Group, and has not held a neighborhood vote on the matter.
- Rosewood Courts (Tracy Witte) - HACA held a community meeting in late February to reveal a new plan with preservation of a few original buildings, demolition of the rest, construction of a large apartment complex on the site, plus an addition of town homes and homeownership opportunities. Blackshear neighborhood will hold a meeting to discuss the new plan.

5. Announcements

Steve Macon suggested that City of Austin's Residential Parking Permit program be discussed in full at the April meeting. [Note: the RPP program will be discussed in May as the April meeting has been cancelled.]

Treasurers Report (SHNA Bank Account) – May CY15:

Opening Balance (Mar 1, 2015): \$2829.46

Deposits: - none -

Withdrawals: - none -

Closing Balance (April 30, 2015): \$2829.46

All disbursements & reimbursements require receipt & board approval

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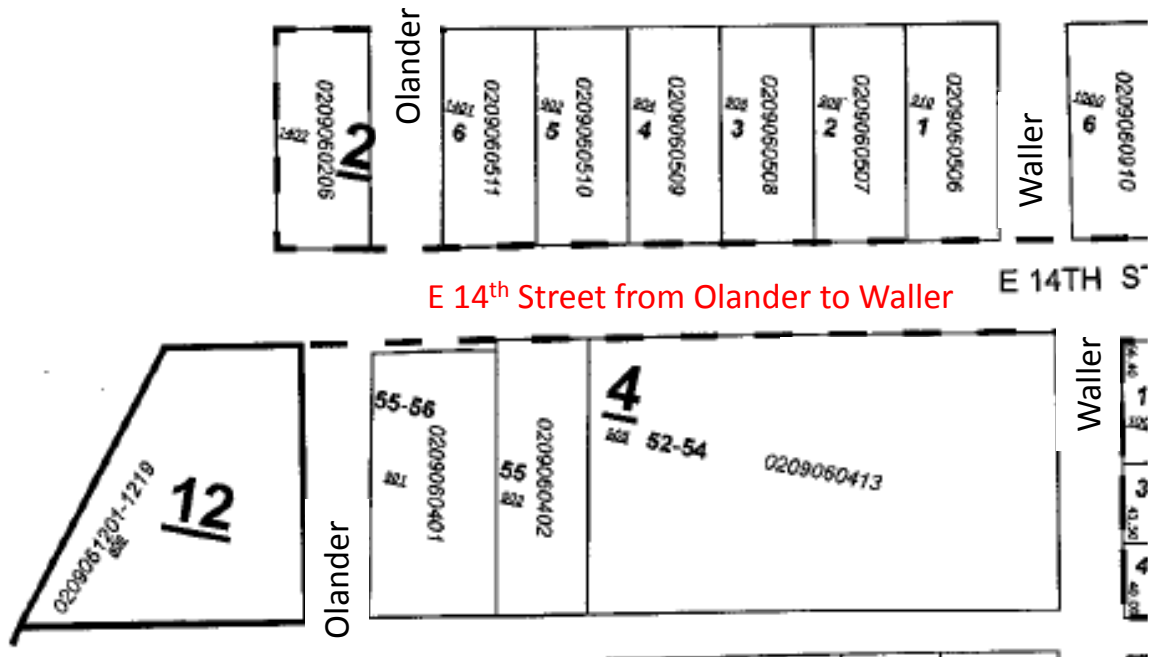
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Resident Permit Parking Application Process (June 1 Timeline):

1. Requestor submits RPP Application form by Jun 1 – identifying street segment & requested times of restricted parking
2. Austin Transportation Dept reviews application by Aug 1; assuming it meets requirements they provide a petition
3. Requestor posts required signage for RPP Notification
4. Requestor works to obtain signatures for all properties impacted (clearly identified on city provided petition)
5. Petition must show 60% of properties in favor or willing to vote with majority; complete by Oct 1
6. With valid petition – Austin Transportation Dept initiates traffic study; complete by Dec 1
 - a) 75% of available parking must be occupied during requested times & 25% must be commuter / non-resident




Resident Permit Parking Application Process **EXAMPLE:**



For EXAMPLE – requesting RPP for East 14th from Olander to Waller

Resident Permit Parking Application Process **EXAMPLE:**

Appendix E
Residential Permit Parking Application Packet

 **CITY OF AUSTIN**
Austin Transportation Department
Residential Permit Parking Program
Application

505 Barton Springs Rd. Austin, TX 78704
Phone (512) 974-1150 Fax (512) 974-7101
Para un documento traducido en Espanol llame a (512) 974-1150

Each application must contain the completed information indicated in both Part A and Part B. The application will be processed according to the policies and procedures for the Residential Permit Parking Program in effect as of the date of the application.

Part A – Requested Street Information

Each application must include the name of the street to be studied as well as the limits of the study. Parking studies will be conducted only within the limits indicated. Do not use block ranges for limits.

Requested Street:

From (Cross Street):

To (Cross Street):

Requested Restrictions by Days of Week and Times of Day:

Limited to two time periods

Example:
Mon – Fri 7 AM to 5 PM
Sat 1 PM to 6 PM

Part B – Requester Information

I agree to be the requester of record for this application. I have read the policies and procedures governing the Residential Permit Parking Program and agree to carry out to the best of my abilities the duties and responsibilities associated with being the requester of record. I have notified the affected Neighborhood Association(s) of my intent to submit this application and have attached documentation of that notification.

Printed Name:			
Address:			
City, State, ZIP:			
Daytime Phone:	E Mail:		
Signature:		Date:	

Step 1:

Requestor submits RPP Application form by Jun 1 identifying street segment & requested times of restricted parking



- Requestor is resident or owner of property that abuts requested street segment
- No more than 2 sets of times
Due to space constraints on signs
- Can't be overly restrictive
- Must support 75% occupied for requested times

Resident Permit Parking Application Process **EXAMPLE:**

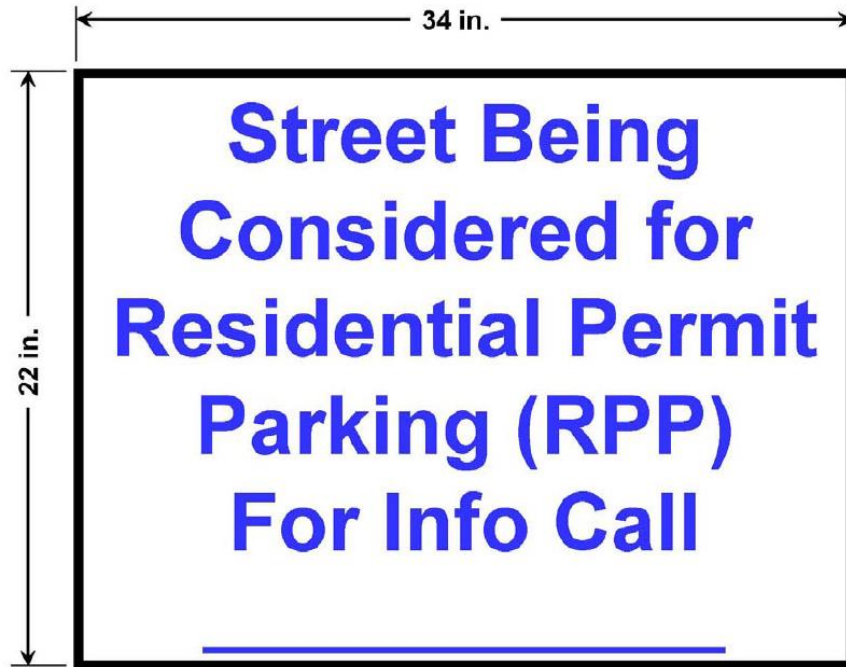
Application Eligibility Requirements:

- ✓ Street must be a public street under jurisdiction of City of Austin
- ✓ Street must not be designated as an alley
- ✓ Requested street segment is not within area bounded by IH35, Riverside Drive, Barton Springs Rd, Lamar Blvd & 15th Street
- ✓ Front-facing or side-abutting residential units exist along at least one side of the requested street segment
- ✓ The request must not be a duplicate request or overlap with any other active request
- ✓ The existing curbs along the street segment are not fully regulated by other RPP zones, valet zones, commercial loading or other specific use designations
- ✓ Residential units along the requested street segment are not prevented from having direct access to the street
- ✓ On-street parking along the street segment is not fully restricted due to safety, mobility, or security issues

Step 2:

Austin Transportation Department reviews application by Aug 1 assuming it meets requirements they provide a petition

Resident Permit Parking Application Process **EXAMPLE:**



- City does not provide signs or cost of signs
- City advises placement
- Need to be in place 2 weeks
- Multi-family built after 1959 with 7 or more units are ineligible

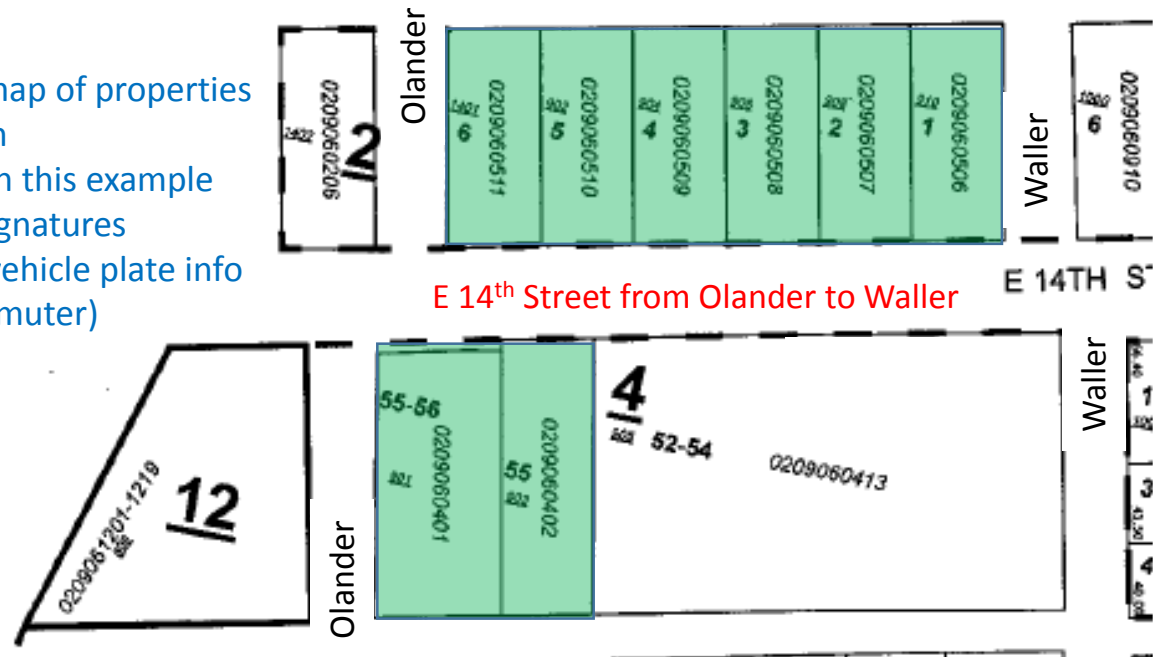
Step 3:

Requestor posts required signage for RPP Notification

Requestor works to obtain signatures for all properties impacted (clearly identified on city provided petition) – complete by October 1

Resident Permit Parking Application Process **EXAMPLE:**

- City provides petition with map of properties
- Residents or owners can sign
- 5 of the 8 properties (60%) in this example must be represented with signatures
- Petition captures residents vehicle plate info (to confirm resident vs. commuter)



Step 4:

Requestor works to obtain signatures for all properties impacted (clearly identified on city provided petition)

Step 5:

Petition must show 60% of properties in favor or willing to vote with majority; complete by Oct 1

Resident Permit Parking Application Process **EXAMPLE:**



Final Step:

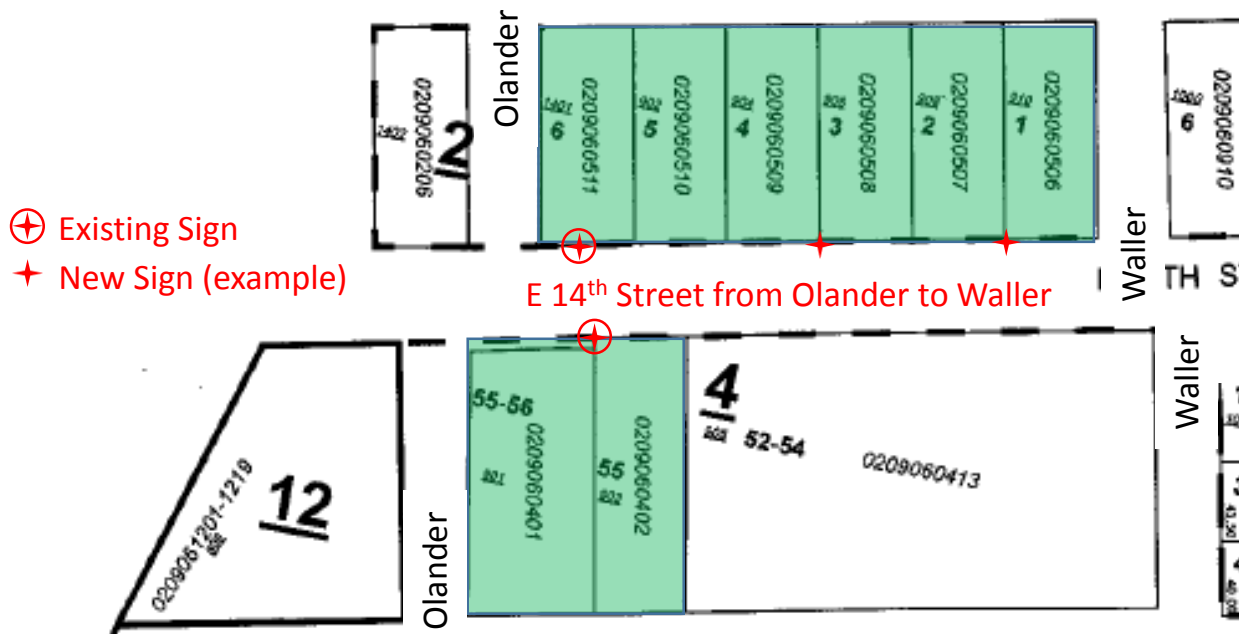
With valid petition –

City initiates traffic study – to be completed by Dec 1, 2015

Must show 75% of available spaces occupied during requested times
& 25% must be commuter / non-resident

- If requirements are partially satisfied – Traffic Engineer may amend days and times of day to better represent results

Resident Permit Parking - SIGN PLACEMENT EXAMPLE:



- City makes attempt to locate signs on property lines; avoiding fronts of houses
- City utilizes existing signage – like the No Parking sign at intersection of 14th and Olander
- City places signs 30 ft. in from stop signs & 20 ft. in from intersections
- Added signs approx. every ~150 ft.

Resident Permit Parking – Obtaining Permits:

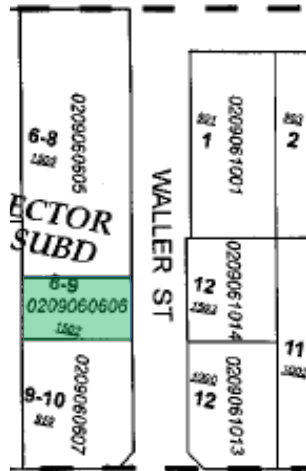
Resident Permits

- Proof of ownership, management or residency required
 - Drivers License, Property Tax Statement, Utility Bill, Voter Registration, Executed Lease
- Traffic Engineer establishes and publishes fee schedule annually
- Current cost is \$10 per permit – good for current year; not prorated – in 2 forms (stickers & hang-tags)
- Up to 2 resident and 2 visitor permits issued per property
- To receive resident permit - must provide documentation that vehicle is registered in their name or have legal possession
- Resident permits for bought or traded vehicles issues free of charge provide original is returned

Day Passes:

- Special events – for 24hr period – free of charge
- Up to 20 day passes may be issued – request to Traffic Engineer must be made 2 weeks prior
- Request for >20 day passes is evaluated based on type of event by Traffic Engineer – not guaranteed

Congested / Access Impeded Streets – RPP is not the answer



RPP is not designed to address safety or traffic issues

Any street at risk of not accommodating emergency vehicle access – can be designated “NO PARKING” on one side – requires a letter from AFD

Waller Street from 14th to 16th or 12th to 16th may qualify for this

West side of Waller Street has minimal homes fronting

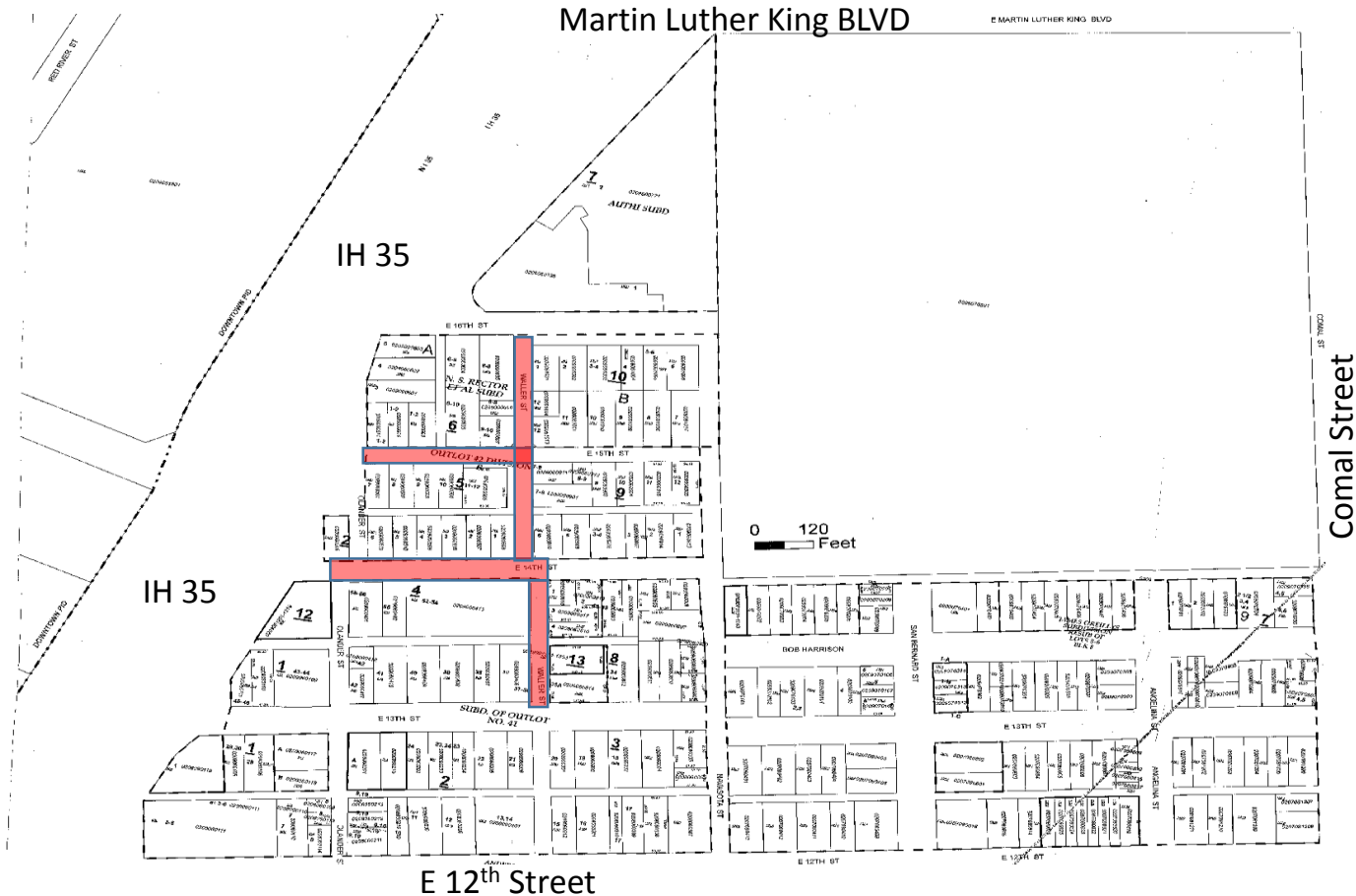


Resident Parking Defficiency Relief

- Addresses properties that do not have sufficient on-site parking – are dependent on on-street parking
- Homes that were built prior to 1959 when minimum requirements for on-site parking were established
- Request must originated from resident or owner for each property individually – and must include:
 - Name, address, phone number of requestor
 - Address of property being requested for consideration of parking deficiency relief
 - Days of week & times when relief is desired
 - Statement and description of hardship created by changes in availability on-street parking
 - When property was built / permitted
 - Number of existing on-site parking spaces
 - Primary use of property – i.e. single family home, etc
 - Number of on-street spaces requested
- Traffic Engineer performs records research to validate statement of hardship; reserves right to inspect property
- Traffic Engineer will determine minimum number of required on-site parking spaces – per code & compare to request
- Defficiency exists if number of spaces required exceeds number of existing on-site spaces
- City will provide up to 50% of the deficiency – but no less than 2 spaces
- City will install – 1 space = 20 linear feet of curb space
- Single family unit entitled to up to 4 permits
- Need for on-site deficiency parking is re-evaluated annually

Resident Permit Parking – Recommendation:

- Pursue RPP for East 14th Olander to Waller and East 15th Olander to Waller
- Steve Macon to contact AFD regarding access concerns on Waller from 12th to 16th – or in particular 14th to 16th
- IF AFD determines no basis for No Parking due to constrained access on Waller - THEN:
- Pursue RPP for Waller from 13th to 16th with times matching 14th and 15th Street RPP applications



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AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL CLEAN AFFORDABLE ENERGY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, energy produced at the coal-fired Fayette power plant and natural gas-fired Decker power plant causes environmental degradation in the form of air and water pollution; and

WHEREAS, Austin Energy has proposed to build a new natural gas-fired power plant that would emit air pollutants locally, contribute to air and water pollution in other parts of Texas by using natural gas that is obtained partly through hydraulic fracturing (fracking), and contribute to climate change; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Generation Resource Planning Task Force recommended increasing the goal for energy efficiency and demand response¹; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Generation Resource Planning Task Force recommended replacing the existing highly polluting Decker natural gas-fired power plant with west Texas solar generation²; and

WHEREAS, large quantities of precious and scarce water or wastewater would be used to cool a new natural gas-fired power plant³; and

WHEREAS, investing in clean energy produces more jobs per dollar invested compared to fossil fuels⁴; and

WHEREAS, the proposed natural gas-fired power plant would be built on the east side of Austin, adding emissions harmful to health and adding to the significant past and current environmental injustices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Austin Neighborhoods Council, in order to create and restore trust for public transparency, requests that the Austin City Council ensure that the consultant selected to conduct the independent Generation Gap Study for Austin Energy provide to the public all unadulterated drafts and the final version of the report, which shall be based on unbiased and accurate data and assumptions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Austin Neighborhoods Council requests that the Austin City Council retire the Fayette Power Project coal-fired power plant and the existing Decker Creek gas-fired power plant as quickly as possible; and not approve construction of any new fossil fuel-burning power plants, in keeping with the Austin Energy affordability goals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Austin Neighborhoods Council requests that the Austin City Council direct Austin Energy to invest in clean energy, including solar, wind, energy storage, energy efficiency, and demand response to meet Austin's energy needs, protect public health, and keep electric rates affordable.

RESOLUTION OF THE AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL REGARDING FLOOD MITIGATION

WHEREAS, The neighborhoods along Onion Creek, Williamson Creek, Shoal Creek, Walnut Creek and Bull Creek have all experienced flooding in the past several years; and

WHEREAS, continuing development has increased the potential for flooding and expanded the floodplain; and

WHEREAS, destructive floods that cause the loss of both life and property can occur anywhere previously approved development has occurred in the current or redefined 100-year floodplain; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Austin Neighborhoods Council requests that the City Council appropriate sufficient resources to:

1. Reduce the number of variances granted for impervious cover, detention ponds, and watershed restrictions for new developments within the city limits and also the Extra-territorial Jurisdiction areas. Any variances granted should have a corresponding Regional Storm Water Management Project. Fee-in-lieu funds should be used for flood mitigation projects.
2. Direct City of Austin staff to work with other Central Texas counties and agencies to plan flood abatement projects.
3. Use residential and commercial drainage fees to fund flood abatement projects and to supplement federal funding to remove highest risk residents from the flood plain through buyout programs that comply with Uniform Relocation Act standards. Make drainage fees and fee-in-lieu funds available for review on the City of Austin website.
4. Direct the Watershed Protection Department, the Parks Department, and the Public Works Department to remove the obstructions created by flood debris in a timely manner.
5. Work with other cities to enact state legislation that will give counties more control over inappropriate development in flood prone areas.
6. Evaluate and remediate inadequate storm drain infrastructure in existing neighborhoods.
7. Add a flood hazard and wild fire hazard overlay to CodeNext.

15th Navasota to Waller Street



SWEDE HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

15th East to IH35



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16th West to IH35



SWEDE HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

16th East to Navasota



SWEDE HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Waller Street 14th to 15th



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