Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 1:29 PM
To: Spillar, Rob; McDonald, Stephanie; Ott, Marc; Goode, Robert
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Deidre Delisi just spoke at the Recca lunch and said IH35(including Central Texas) was their top priority. Let's try to talk briefly at my one on one with Mark
next week.
Sheryl Cole

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 9:16 AM
To: Garza, Rudy; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Garza, Rudy
Cc: Cavazos, Jazmin; Eskew, Dana; Beekley, Taja
Subject: RE: WTP 4 Eval Matrix - Revised (DRAFT)
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I would also Rudy. Thanks.

From: Garza, Rudy
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 8:52 AM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Cavazos, Jazmin; Eskew, Dana; Beekley, Taja
Subject: RE: WTP 4 Eval Matrix - Revised (DRAFT)

Yes sir. I will ask Dana in my office to work with your offices to set up a time. Thanks

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From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Monday, January 05, 2009 8:46 AM
To: Garza, Rudy; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Cavazos, Jazmin
Subject: RE: WTP 4 Eval Matrix - Revised (DRAFT)

Rudy,

Thanks for this email. Can we set up a meeting with all of us? I would for each of us to be up to speed on this issue before the next MBE/WBE council sub committee meeting.

Thanks,
Mike

Council Member Mike Martinez
301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, Texas 78767
(512) 974-2264
more office info here

From: Garza, Rudy
Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2009 3:35 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: FW: WTP 4 Eval Matrix - Revised (DRAFT)
Importance: High

Please see the draft criteria. You will note a significant emphasis on Small Business and M/WBE participation. This is something new for us, and with almost 90% of our local businesses being Small and almost 100% of our

M/WBEs being small I think the opportunities can be tremendous. For M/WBEs it provides two opportunities for participation, first in meeting the goals established for the project and then also for the Small Business Component. We will be bringing this forward to your subcommittee, however, it is generating significant interest now and I did not want you to get caught off guard. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss. We have not finalized, however, I do not expect many more changes. Thanks

Rudy

From: Trimble, Michael
Sent: Friday, January 02, 2009 2:34 PM
To: Elkins, Stephen; Meszaros, Greg; Truelove, Rosie; Bowman, Gordon; 'Mendiola, Lino'; Romero, Sabine; Van Wie, Tina; Stauber, William
Cc: Garza, Rudy
Subject: WTP 4 Eval Matrix - Revised (DRAFT)
Importance: High

Attached is the revised eval criteria which should reflect all recommendations to date (changes noted). Please let me know if you see anything that needs additional changes/revision. Once we are squared away on revisions, I will send out a final draft.

thanks and happy new year.

mike

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:33 AM
To: Smith, David [City Attorney]; Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: City Auditor
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Thanks David. I visit with Taylor at 11:00 and assuming he is fine with serving in the temporary position we can begin work on the ordinance.

From: Smith, David [City Attorney]
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 5:14 PM
To: Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Leffingwell, Lee; Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: City Auditor

Mayor, Council, and City Manager:

In light of the announced retirement of the City Auditor, I have attached a memo discussing the process set out in the City Code for selecting a new auditor.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks. DAS

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 11:30 AM
To: Shade, Randi; McDonald, Stephanie; Wilson, Beverly
Cc: Bier, Marti
Subject: RE: council chambers use
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

This got held up in the past because Toby was really concerned about the use of our equipment. Do you want to address it?

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 6:45 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; McDonald, Stephanie; Wilson, Beverly
Cc: Bier, Marti
Subject: Fw: council chambers use

Hi sheryl and team

Are you good to go on this? See below and attached and let me and/or Marti know. Thanks!

From: Shade, Randi
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Williams, Nancy
Cc: Bier, Marti
Sent: Thu Jan 22 18:34:22 2009
Subject: Fw: city hall use

Hi Lee
You and I talked about this before but before adding you as a co-sponsor I wanted to see if you were still interested as we have details worked out. Essentially what we are proposing is that on Tuesdays City Council Chambers and Boards and Commissions Room will be treated like Media room and plaza in that there will no longer be a requirement to have a council member sponsorship. All other city hall use policies remain the same. If you (or Nancy give me and Marti. The green light we'll add you as co-sponsor. Other co-sponsor will likely be Sheryl Cole. We're trying to get on agenda for the 29th. Thanks!

-Randi

From: Bier, Marti
To: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thu Jan 22 16:37:16 2009
Subject: city hall use

Here's what I've got so far. I haven't heard back from Cary yet with a revised, legally-written draft. But at least you can find a couple sponsors. When you know, let me know so I can get their names on the agenda too.

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 9:36 AM
To: Wilson, Beverly; Ott, Marc; Smith, David [City Attorney]
Subject: FW: Acting City Auditor
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Let's do this on the 12th in light of Steve's concerns.

From: Morgan, Steve
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 9:31 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Acting City Auditor

Sheryl,

I dealing with some growing uncertainty in my office, partially due to the fact that two of my managers are out of the office right now due to personal family reasons.

Assuming Council will follow the City Auditor's Ordinance and appoint Taylor Dudley as Acting City Auditor, when do you think that will happen? As I'm sure you know, the two Council meetings in February are the 12th and 26th.

Internally in my office beginning after today's AFC meeting, I'm having Taylor start making some of the decisions I would normally make so he can be even more confident and ready. Clearly I've been coaching him for several years and I'll physically be in the office until my actual February 28th retirement.

Thank you for your support.

Steve

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 10:54 AM
To: 'Sterling Lands II'; Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Ott, Marc; [redacted] Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Reverand Lands let me work on this. I will get back with you.

From: Sterling Lands II [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2009 8:51 PM
To: Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Ott, Marc; [redacted]
Subject: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex

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Bishop Dr. Sterling Lands, II

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 11:52 AM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Lumbreras, Bert
Subject: RE: Austin Rosewood Community Development Corp.(ARCDC) Board
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Can't we just change the ordinance and allow for community representation? This is my plan to sponsor such a resolution at the Feb 26 meeting.

From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 11:33 AM
To: Lumbreras, Bert; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: Austin Rosewood Community Development Corp.(ARCDC) Board

Thanks Marc and Bert.

Mike

From: Lumbreras, Bert
To: Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Tue Feb 10 11:30:36 2009
Subject: Austin Rosewood Community Development Corp.(ARCDC) Board

CM's Cole & Martinez,

Visited with Marc about the request made by Dr. Sterling Lands to consider reconfiguring the ARCDC Board to include community representation.

I will take the lead on this issue and proceed with the following:

- Meet with Mike McDonald to get his thoughts on any ideas he may have on this issue,
- Call Dr. Lands and advise him we will certainly explore this proposal, find out more about what his board does and see how we can collaborate on the community representation piece, and
- Faciliate an internal meeting with staff to see how we can get this done.

Let me know if questions or if you have any input that would be helpful as we move forward. Thanks.

Bert

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Bishop Dr. Sterling Lands, II

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 3:42 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Cc: Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex
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Will you send Marc the emailed memo from Reverend Lands that explains this issue? Because this is an advisory group and not a Commission I thought Council had the discretion to comprise the commitee and add community members.

From: Ott, Marc
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 11:01 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex

Hello Sheryl,

Can you tell me what the issue is?

From: Cole, Sheryl
To: 'Sterling Lands II' ; Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Ott, Marc; [redacted] ; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Sent: Tue Feb 10 10:54:19 2009
Subject: RE: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex

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Long, Tara

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To: Lumbreras, Bert
Cc: Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6); Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: Austin Rosewood Community Development Corp.(ARCDC) Board
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Let's try to set up conference call with Mr Lands next week.

From: Lumbreras, Bert
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 1:33 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: Austin Rosewood Community Development Corp.(ARCDC) Board

CM Cole,

I just got today the letter from Dr. Lands dated yesterday and first I had heard of this issue.

I can certainly move this as quickly as possible but do not believe I can get this done by Feb. 26th. I would prefer we allow a bit more time and we can plan on the first meeting in March if that works for you. I just want to make sure we look at the current structure of the ARCDC board and it's actual set up plus flexibility, and have some time to visit with Dr. Lands and his board on how best to approach this. We certainly want to make it happen.

However, we will proceed to meet your needs.

Bert

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Thanks Marc and Bert.

Mike

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Bert

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 7:54 PM
To: Ott, Marc; Snipes, Anthony
Cc: Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Austin African-American Visitors Guide...
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I think we have this taken care of. Thanks guys.

From: Ott, Marc
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 5:09 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: Austin African-American Visitors Guide...

I'll see what we can do.

Anthony, please follow up and keep me and CM Cole advised.

Thanks

From: Cole, Sheryl
To: Ott, Marc
Sent: Thu Feb 12 16:43:20 2009
Subject: FW: Austin African-American Visitors Guide...
Can we prepare an updated African American Visitor's Guide? Perhaps we could do this in house with ERGSO or contract with the African American Chamber?

From: Lisa Byrd [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 2:17 PM
To: [redacted]; Cole, Sheryl; Davis, Christopher; 'jay'; Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; McCracken, Brewster; Morrison, Laura; Ott, Marc; Watson, Matt; Williams, Nancy; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Austin African-American Visitors Guide...

Ora,
I am just a little heartened to see that someone is paying attention. After all of the hard work we did around the Quality of Life Initiative including the work with ACVB, there is little to nothing to show in the public domain about the African American community in Austin. So thanks for picking up the banner in this struggle. I suggest you bring your thoughts to the African American Advisory Commission. Though I no longer sit on the commission, I am willing to stand with you before that body to ask "what have you done; what can we do"?

From: Ora Houston [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2009 1:31 PM
To: sheryl cole; Officer Davis; jay; lee leffingwell; mike martinez; brewster mccracken; laura morrison; marc ott; Matt Watson; Nancy Williams; Beverly Wilson

Cc: lisa byrd
Subject: Austin African-American Visitors Guide...

Dear Members of the Council and City Manager:

I am a member of St. James' Episcopal Church, 1941 Webberville Road. We have a guest preacher from Florida scheduled for the 15th of February. He and his wife asked about things to do and see in Austin during their visit. Dug through my collection of stuff and came across the above referenced guide. The layout and design of the guide is inviting and informative. However, I noticed that some of the information was out of date. On the inside back cover I noted that the guide was printed in 2001 by the Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau. Contacted the Bureau to see where I could get a current guide. I was told that they didn't have any and suggested that I contact the African-American Chamber of Commerce, a non-profit entity, that does not have the resources to develop and print such a comprehensive guide.

Of course I knew the answer, yet called the Chamber anyway. Today I received a call back from staff of the Chamber who indicated that she had found the guide which I referenced but they did not produce it. She referred me to the Visitor Information Center, the number on the inside back cover of the guide...the place I started.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I suspect that the 2001 edition of the African-American Visitors Guide was in response to the 'Report Card' which was issued in '01 and pointed to the lack of visibility the City gives to the events and points of interest of citizens of African descent. Therefore, after the spotlight on the 'Report Card' subsided, the one time printing of this guide went the way of all things that are not important. It was a one time response to pacify a part of the community with no real commitment to make it a part of the fabric of the community.

I continue to be sadden by the Council's inability to see the direct relationship between their decisions and the decline in the number of Black folks who live in this city...and then people wonder why? I am sure there is a "good reason" that the guide was published one time and I look forward to hearing what it is.

Shalom,
Oh

This is the first day of the rest of our lives~ Let us rejoice, be glad in it and get to work.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2009 3:03 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Cc: Levinski, Robert; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Review Request of oint Resolution Draft for Thursday's Meeting
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Great work. Beverly will be at the meeting and I will give her my comments. I will also try and pop my head in.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2009 12:04 PM
To: '[redacted]'
Subject: RE: Citizens Use of City Hall Chambers
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Great Job Randi.

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2009 11:02 AM
To: Bier, Marti; Fernandez, Rolando; Matustik, David; Kennard, Karen; Loney, Brenda; Cole, Sheryl; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Coleman, Glen; Shade, Randi
Subject: Fw: Citizens Use of City Hall Chambers

Thought you'd find of interest.

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From: Paul Robbins
Date: Fri, 20 Feb 2009 10:35:10 -0600
To: Paul Robbins<[redacted]
Subject: Citizens Use of City Hall Chambers

Dear Friends,

On January 29, 2009, the Austin City Council voted to make the City Hall Chambers and the Boards and Commissions Room "free speech" areas on Tuesdays during business hours.

This is quite significant. At the old City Hall, it was a tradition, custom, and right for citizens to use Council Chambers and meeting rooms for assembly when they were not being used for City business. Most significantly, it was used for City Council candidate announcements and press conferences on City issues.

When the new City Hall was completed, the City Management "forgot" this custom. And when Austin citizens began to protest, they ignored us or fought us.

While citizens can always ask a Councilmember to sponsor an event in Chambers, there are certain things, such as candidate announcements, that are not likely to get sponsors. And citizens shouldn't have to ask permission for a right that already exists.

It took an act of Council (lead by Randi Shade) to restore this right.

Free speech day is Tuesday. But if this arrangement works out well over the next year, we can restore this to more days, maybe all week.

And now that we have our City Hall back, I urge you to use it.

Below are the rules for use. You can call Reyna Ruiz at the City Clerk's Office at 974-2210 to sign up. If she is not there, others will assist you.

I know this is symbolic, but symbols are important. This is *your* City Hall. As activists who give their time and expertise to the community, you have paid for it in many ways that money cannot buy.

Yours,

Paul Robbins

Rules for Use of City Hall Chambers and Boards and Commissions Room

1. Rooms must be reserved at least 48 hours in advance. The rooms cannot be reserved more than 30 days in advance.

2. The rooms are available Tuesdays from 8 AM to 5 PM.

3. Parking tickets for the City Hall garage can be validated (for free parking) at the City Clerk's Office.

4. Microphones in the rooms are provided free. No other technical assistance, such as Powerpoint presentations, is provided. (You can provide such presentations with your own equipment.)

5. A person or group may use one of these rooms a maximum of once every 2 months.

6. There is a 3-hour maximum time limit for use of these rooms.

7. If the layout of the room is changed, it needs to be changed back at the end of the event.

8. No food or drink is allowed in City Council Chambers. Food and drink *is* allowed in the Boards and Commissions Room.

9. Reservations can be preempted by City business. If a preemption occurs, City Clerk staff will notify the applicant and attempt to find another venue at City Hall. (E.g., if the Chambers is taken, then the Boards and Commissions Room or Media Room might be a replacement option.)

10. Damages that occur during an event are the responsibility of the party reserving the room.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 12:41 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Subject: RE: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I know him and am working on bringing an item forward to add community representatives. Do you want to co-sponsor with me and Mike?

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2009 8:53 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6); Rush, Barbara
Subject: FW: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex

Hello Sheryl,

Speaking of managing emails…Do you know Dr. Lands and do you know if anyone has addressed the issue he raises here about the board and the May 2008 Council action?

I am not familiar with the issue or the action (before my time), although I don't see an open meetings issue as part of it right off. On the other hand, community representation is of course always of interest to me ☺.

Thanks,
Laura

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Sent: Monday, February 09, 2009 8:51 PM
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To: Morrison, Laura
Subject: RE: MLK TOD & Featherlite
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Thanks. I will be in touch.

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 4:02 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Cc: Levinski, Robert; Moore, Andrew; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: MLK TOD & Featherlite

Sheryl and Mike,

An update on the latest discussion on the affordability issue for the Featherlite track -- ACF (Eugene S) has come around to tightening the boundaries (see attached) for the area in which they can commit to using the Chestnut Commons $1M on affordability with the caveat that the Chestnut neighborhood would be the top priority and closer to the TOD boundaries is better.

Also attached is a map with a ½ mile zone around the TOD that you can compare to the above and see that in some ways it is significantly smaller than the ACF proposal. ½ mile is the standard distance currently in the other SAP's for council approved fees in lieu which this would be, in effect.

So we still have a disconnect and I'd love to hear your thoughts on where we go from here.

I'll ask Bobby to check in with Andy and Stephanie on this.

Laura

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, March 05, 2009 8:07 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Thanks for giving me the heads up about how the firefighter staffing issue would probably play out.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 1:37 PM
To: 'Robin Schneider'; Adickes, Jeffry
Cc: Acevedo, Art; Morrison, Laura; Wynn, Will; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Ott, Marc; Watson, Matt; Brown, Cliff; APD Chiefs; McDonald, Michael [APD]
Subject: RE: Austin Police Officer stopped a TCE canvasser without cause but says "what do we expect sending a black guy into a white neighborhood"

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Robin I appreciate your bringing this offensive conduct to our attention. I also appreciate Chief Acevedo's quick response. Please keep me posted after your update next week.

-----Original Message-----
From: Robin Schneider [mailto:[redacted],[redacted]
Sent: Friday, February 27, 2009 7:24 PM
To: Adickes, Jeffry
Cc: Acevedo, Art; Morrison, Laura; Wynn, Will; Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Ott, Marc; Watson, Matt; Brown, Cliff; APD Chiefs; McDonald, Michael [APD]
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Chief Acevedo and Asst. Chief Adickes -

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. We look forward to hearing your update early next week.

Robin Schneider

Adickes, Jeffry wrote:
>
> Chief, Commander Hutto as the new South Bureau Commander will give us
> an update on follow up by end of business on Monday,.. Jeff
> Adickes. Assistant Chief.
> South Bureau
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Acevedo, Art
> To: 'Robin Schneider' <[redacted]; Morrison, Laura;
> Wynn, Will; Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member];
> Leffingwell, Lee; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Ott, Marc;
> Watson, Matt
> CC: Brown, Cliff; APD Chiefs; McDonald, Michael [APD]
> Sent: Fri Feb 27 18:18:48 2009
> Subject: RE: Austin Police Officer stopped a TCE canvasser without
> cause but says "what do we expect sending a black guy into a white
> neighborhood"
>
> Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. Councilwoman
> Morrison called me a few minutes ago and I appreciate your quick
> follow-up. I will ask my staff to begin a review of our actions in
> this matter, however, you need to also contact the Office of Police
> Monitor. I have included the contact information to the Monitor's
> office below. In the interim, please do not hesitate to contact me if
> I or a member of my staff can be of assistance.
>
> Regards,

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>
> Art Acevedo
> Chief of Police
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Robin Schneider [mailto:[redacted]
> Sent: Friday, February 27, 2009 6:07 PM
> To: Morrison, Laura; Acevedo, Art; Wynn, Will; Cole, Sheryl; Martinez,
> Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; McCracken, Brewster; Shade,
> Randi; Ott, Marc; Watson, Matt
> Subject: Austin Police Officer stopped a TCE canvasser without cause
> but says "what do we expect sending a black guy into a white neighborhood"
>
> Folks -
>
> I wanted you all to know that Austin Police Officers have yet again
> infringed on the free speech rights of activists. We are filing
> complaints on this matter and want to see action to rectify the situation.
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> Robin Schneider
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> To: Memo to File
> By: Collin Young
> Date: February 27, 2009
> Re: Austin Police Officer Stopping a Canvasser from Protected Free
> Speech Activities
>
> I was initially contacted by TCE organizer Anthony Coker at
> approximately 4:15 pm on February 27, 2009. Coker said that there was
> a woman who had been following him down the street, yelling at him and
> telling him he had better leave, she had called the cops. As he was on
> the phone with me, Officer T. Myers (Badge Number 2012) pulled up, and
> told Anthony he needed to stop canvassing, and told him he would give
> him a ride anywhere he needed to go. At this point I was given the
> phone to speak to Officer Myers.
>
> I asked Officer Myers what the situation was. He told me there had
> been several calls and that we needed to get Anthony out of the area.
> I told him I appreciated the concern, but that we had a job to do and
> needed Anthony to continue to knock on doors. He told me he would
> advise that Anthony leave, that his presence was clearly bothering
> people. I told him I understood, but if we removed ourselves every
> time someone was unhappy with our being there, it would be impossible
> for us to organize in communities. He responded saying Anthony needed
> to leave. I told him that this was a constitutionally protected right,
> and that he had every right to be knocking on doors. The officer
> responded that may be, but that would be something the courts would
> have to deal with months from now, that he was more concerned with
> things today. I told him according to protocol I needed to know that
> if Anthony continued to canvass, would he be ticketed or arrested. At
> this point the officer danced around the question, asking me if I
> didn't care about my employee and that it would be easier if he just
> left. He also commented that what did I expect would happen, sending a
> black guy into a white neighborhood. He said he was just looking out
> for Anthony and what was best for everybody. I told him I needed to
> have Anthony continue to do his job, unless it would put him in harm's
> way by getting ticketed or arrested. He told me he could arrest him,
> he had reason to suspect an arrestable offense, attempted burglary. I
> told him that was ridiculous, to which he said he didn't think that
> had happened, which is why he just wanted to get Anthony to leave. So,
> I again asked him very simply that if he continued, would he be
> arrested. He answered that it wasn't a fair question, but that he
> could. So, I told him I understood his position, and that it was

> unfortunate that he was in it, but that did not change the fact that I
> was asking him a very simple question. So, I again asked him would he
> be arrested. Finally, he stated that yes, he would be arrested, and that he would give
Anthony his name and badge number per our request.
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> At this point I told Anthony to stop canvassing, that his Field
> Manager would be there to pick him up, and to just stay put for the time being.
> I came to find out later, that the officer would not even let Anthony
> wait for his ride, that he made him get in the squad car and dropped
> him off at a Whataburger to get picked up. A TCE field manager met him
> at the Whataburger and took him to another area to canvass for the
> rest of the shift.
>
> Also, this was a conversation that was about ten minutes long, so this
> is a very condensed version of what was said, however, the main points
> are all documented.
>
> This occurred in the Brodie and Slaughter area.
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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 2:43 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Subject: FW: MLK Station Area Plan
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Let's talk about this tommorow.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 3:48 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE:
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Flag Status: Red

Not yet. I need to get set up.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 3:47 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE:

Sounds good. Are you on IM during meetings?

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 3:45 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject:

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Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 4:42 PM
To: Ott, Marc
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How do you feel about this? Have we done it before? It seems like bad precedent, but I wanted to ask you about it. I really don't know how to gracefully say no.

From: harold mcmillan [[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2009 4:28 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: AAQL: Request for travel support for cultural district

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Date: Tue, Mar 10, 2009 at 7:06 AM
Subject: AAQL: Request for travel support for cultural district
To: michael.mcdonald@ci.austin.tx.us, "Wright, Cora" <cora.wright@ci.austin.tx.us>
Cc: dusty.mccormick@ci.austin.tx.us, Lisa Byrd [redacted]>, vincent.kitch@ci.austin.tx.us, cheryl.cole@ci.austin.tx.us

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2009 11:01 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: housing resolution
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I am fine being a co-sponsor.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2009 8:52 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Fw: housing resolution

From: Bier, Marti
To: Shaw, Margaret; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Sent: Fri Mar 20 08:44:47 2009
Subject: RE: housing resolution

All,

Here is version 3.1 with Margaret's tweek.

Marti

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From: Shaw, Margaret
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 6:06 PM
To: Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

only one minor tweak to last 'whereas'...

WHEREAS, priority development areas, including Transit Oriented Districts ("TOD"s) and the Robert Mueller Airport re-development, incorporate urban design principles of maximizing mixed use development, transportation and employment centers; and in these priority development areas, Council has set a goal of 25% of the new housing be affordable;

NOW, THEREFORE

From: Bier, Marti
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 5:43 PM
To: Shaw, Margaret; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

Margaret, Leela, Randi,

Please see the attached "3.0" version. I am about to leave the office, but I'll also be on in the morning to make any changes. Please call my cell at 507-6842 if you have any questions by phone.

Posting Language: Approve a resolution stating Council priorities for the 2009 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program.

Thanks!!
Marti

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Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

Marti & I just finished working on revisions to both resolution & posting language. I'm in tomorrow morning and told her Im happy to review final too.

MRS

From: Bier, Marti
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 3:12 PM
To: Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shaw, Margaret; Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna

Subject: housing resolution

Leela,

Cathy told me you're our legal contact for this resolution. Here is a current draft, but I expect it to have some changes by tomorrow at noon. I'm copying Margaret for some feedback, and I'll look to you for any legal feedback as well. Please let me know how it looks.

Myrna, I'll send you posting language shortly.

Marti

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 10:57 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: housing resolution
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Thank Randi.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 10:48 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Rush, Barbara; Bier, Marti; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: FW: housing resolution

Interesting weekend of discussions with Margaret Shaw (see attached if you're interested), but suffice it to say I am pleased with the edited version of the draft we discussed last week -- see attached. Am assuming y'all are fine with it, too. Please let me know if not.

Bottom line is that we added language that explains how we support all projects, but prioritize TOD and Mueller projects. Margaret Shaw seems bound and determined to see if she can get Senator Watson to write letters of support for all three projects on the finalist list for state tax credits, but writing letters for all three projects doesn't accomplish what Council hopes to accomplish It isn't as if we would turn away the Malibu project, but we need the letters from Watson's office to change the state's current ranking so that Council's location priorities have a better chance of being met first. Of course we hope that ultimately all three projects will work out (and they might) but right now it sounds like one and possibly two is a more likely scenario -- that's what makes prioritization so important this year. My sense is that without our resolution, Senator Watson will write no support letters.

Please contact me directly with any questions. Thanks!

-Randi

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From: Shaw, Margaret
Sent: Saturday, March 21, 2009 4:38 PM
To: Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela; Shade, Randi
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony
Subject: RE: housing resolution

After talking to the CM today, I believe this draft better suits her priorities.

thanks!
MRS

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 9:14 AM
To: 'harold mcmillan'
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: AAQL: Request for travel support for cultural district
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I did talk to Ott and he wanted to talk to Mike McDonald. Please attend, but I am not hopeful because of the economic times and the current climate of scrutiny of all expenditures.

From: harold mcmillan [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Saturday, March 28, 2009 2:54 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: AAQL: Request for travel support for cultural district

Hello,
I do plan to go go ahead and attend the conference.
Just checking back one more time, since I didn't hear back from you, to see if you spoke with Mr. Ott about my request.
I leave for Rhode Island on Thursday morning.
Thanks,
--Harold

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Sent: Monday, March 30, 2009 9:18 AM
To: Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura
Subject: RE: housing resolution
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Randi I appreciate your work on this. I agree with Laura's comment.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2009 5:30 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Cc: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: housing resolution

Great suggestion. Thx and let's definitely plan to follow up. Have a great weekend. Thx again.

From: Morrison, Laura
To: Shade, Randi
Cc: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Fri Mar 27 17:23:59 2009
Subject: RE: housing resolution

Randi – I saw a very similar problem on a recent resolution. It certainly appears that staff did not understand what the resolution does in coming up with that fiscal assessment. It is troubling in many ways, specifically on this resolution (after so much discussion) but also that our process doesn't include a step to make sure the common understanding is there before generating a fiscal memo.

Perhaps we work w/Marc to get some coordination between staff and council in place to keep this from happening again.

Laura

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From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2009 3:25 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Morrison, Laura
Subject: FW: housing resolution

Hi Sheryl and Laura

Thanks for working with me on the Tax Credit resolution we passed yesterday. Please see the email below and attachments that I sent to Marc and let me know if you have any thoughts beyond what I have already conveyed

to him. Thanks again.

-Randi

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From: Shade, Randi
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To: Ott, Marc
Subject: FW: housing resolution

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Per our discussion about the housing tax credit program -- thanks for your support on this matter. I didn't raise the issue yesterday, but if you read my email below (no response from Margaret received) and consider the comments I made from the dais about this item (#49), you will understand my surprise to have seen the fiscal memo item associated with this resolution (see attached). I am not asking for anything remotely like what the fiscal memo suggests (100 hours!). In fact, I would expect no extra time related to this item be spent by Margaret and her staff. Please let me know if I am missing something. Thanks!

-Randi

P.S. Please also see the attached letter I sent per Senator Watson's request.

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To: Shaw, Margaret
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony; Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
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Hi Margaret

In re-reading your message below I want to be clear that I and my colleagues are not suggesting that this resolution direct staff to change current scoring guidelines for GO Bonds; I realize you have been holding stakeholder meetings and public forums, doing surveys, etc. and that there is a process underway for a five-year consolidated plan not to mention a whole history that has led to the current guidelines. Furthermore, now that you explained it to me, I realize that our scoring process is done on a one-by-one basis --- not in the sort of competitive ranking way as is done at the State. That's why it doesn't seem to make sense to even be discussing at this time whether a TOD project that receives only a few extra points might not score higher than an application with more 30 pct units and in "high opportunity areas" (near good schools, job centers -- the map that HsgWorks provided) in NW Austin.

With this resolution we are only looking to ensure that we promote --- for purposes of feedback related to this year's current Texas Tax Credit projects under consideration --- a ranking of local projects that is consistent with our City's priorities. Clearly, TODs and Mueller are current Council priorities -- that's the point of weighing in, and as I said earlier, the resolution as you have written it now, conveys that message without a doubt. It may or may not make sense to weigh in like this every year. We may not always be asked, there may not be the sort of mix of finalists as there is this year, and as you've taught me over the course of our recent discussions, there are tons of other moving parts to consider.

I am new to all this but it sure seems that TOD's are "prioritized" at every turn -- not just by being called out as a "priority location" and getting some extra points in GO Bond evaluation, but in resolution after resolution --- here's one I found while searching the City's website (note Item D): ftp://coageoid01.ci.austin.tx.us/GIS-Data/planning/TOD/TOD%20Signed%20SMART%20Housing%20Resolution.pdf and in task force report after task force report (i.e., the number one housing rec in the Family and Children Task Force: "we recommend that the City create and assist with funding of a model family-friendly development in one of the TODs.") The only reason I asked about including mention of the scoring guidelines in a WHEREAS statement was to give additional evidence that we have identified priority locations in our own scoring matrix (along with task force reports, etc.), I thought it might help address the issue you raised about it looking like we were introducing new criteria late in the game. It isn't as if we would turn away any project that meets the City's scoring threshold, but if possible, we should all want to see the State's current ranking change so that Council's location priorities have a better chance of being met first. Of course we hope that ultimately all three projects will work out (and they might) but right now it sounds like one and possibly two is a more likely scenario. That's what makes prioritization so important.

Thanks again and trying not to over-complicate this,
Randi

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Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2009 9:46 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony; Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Subject: Re: housing resolution

TODs are. I cannot be sure off top of my head about VMU and PUD and I presume Mueller.

TOD receives only a few points extra. It's possible I think that an app with more 30 pct units and in "high

opportunity areas" (near good schools, job centers -- the map that HsgWorks provided) in NW Austin would score higher. That's what I need to confirm with staff and change if so so that TOD VMU PUD RMMA deals would win over those in other areas of town.

MRS

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To: Shaw, Margaret
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony; Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Sent: Sun Mar 22 09:13:37 2009
Subject: Re: housing resolution

Thanks -- just to clarify, though, isn't extra consideration for TOD, PUD and VMU location already given in our current guidelines? Or did I misunderstand something I thought you shared with me yesterday?

From: Shaw, Margaret
To: Shade, Randi
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony; Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Sent: Sun Mar 22 08:36:34 2009
Subject: Re: housing resolution

Happy to do so. It helped me clarify staff's direction too.

I think simply verbal statement from dais to ensure all our funding and housing policies follow this direction is enough for us to update guidelines.

All best
MRS

From: Shade, Randi
To: Shaw, Margaret
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony; Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Sent: Sun Mar 22 02:19:21 2009
Subject: Re: housing resolution

Thanks so much, Margaret. Yes, your proposed draft conveys the priorities perfectly. Thank you!

My only question is whether you think it makes sense to add another WHEREAS statement that explicitly states the point you made about AHFC's current GO Bond evaluation criteria giving extra points for development in TOD, VMU and PUD locations. I realize that criteria item is as you said "not an all or nothing" item, but it sounded like yet another example of existing policy (and practice) in line with what we are promoting via this resolution. I defer to your judgment on whether to change the draft in response to this question. If you think it strengthens the resolution - great, but if not I am very happy with your new draft as is.

Thanks again! I really appreciate your help and am so thankful we got to discuss this in more detail --- and, I think you're right about Saturday clarity, too:-)

-Randi

From: Shaw, Margaret

To: Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela; Shade, Randi
Cc: Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy; Rodriguez, Patricia [NHCD]; Britain, Rebecca; Snipes, Anthony
Sent: Sat Mar 21 16:37:57 2009
Subject: RE: housing resolution
After talking to the CM today, I believe this draft better suits her priorities.

thanks!
MRS

Margaret R. Shaw
COA-NHCD
512.974.3184 phone
512.974.1063 fax
Assistant: Cindy Lott 512.974.1049

From: Bier, Marti
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2009 8:45 AM
To: Shaw, Margaret; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

All,

Here is version 3.1 with Margaret's tweek.

Marti

Marti Bier
Policy Aide
Office of City Council Member Randi Shade
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From: Shaw, Margaret
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 6:06 PM
To: Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

only one minor tweak to last 'whereas'...

WHEREAS, priority development areas, including Transit Oriented Districts ("TOD"s) and the Robert Mueller Airport re-development, incorporate urban design principles of maximizing mixed use development, transportation and employment centers; and in these priority development areas, Council has set a goal of 25% of the new housing be

affordable;

NOW, THEREFORE

From: Bier, Marti
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 5:43 PM
To: Shaw, Margaret; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

Margaret, Leela, Randi,

Please see the attached "3.0" version. I am about to leave the office, but I'll also be on in the morning to make any changes. Please call my cell at [redacted] if you have any questions by phone.

Posting Language: Approve a resolution stating Council priorities for the 2009 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program.

Thanks!!
Marti

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From: Shaw, Margaret
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 5:28 PM
To: Bier, Marti; Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna; Lott, Cindy
Subject: RE: housing resolution

Marti & I just finished working on revisions to both resolution & posting language. I'm in tomorrow morning and told her Im happy to review final too.

MRS

From: Bier, Marti
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 3:12 PM
To: Fireside, Leela
Cc: Shaw, Margaret; Shade, Randi; Rios, Myrna
Subject: housing resolution

Leela,

Cathy told me you're our legal contact for this resolution. Here is a current draft, but I expect it to have some changes by tomorrow at noon. I'm copying Margaret for some feedback, and I'll look to you for any legal feedback as well. Please let me know how it looks.

Myrna, I'll send you posting language shortly.

Marti

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Long, Tara

From:	Cole, Sheryl
Sent:	Wednesday, April 01, 2009 3:42 PM
To:	'Sterling Lands II'
Cc:	Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Ott, [redacted] Coleman, Glen; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject:	RE: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex
Follow Up Flag:	Follow up
Flag Status:	Red

I plan to add another community member from the dais tommorow.
Sheryl Cole

From: Sterling Lands II [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, April 01, 2009 2:55 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Wynn, Will; McCracken, Brewster; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Ott, Marc; [redacted]; Coleman, Glen; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: Re: The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex

Hello,
Thank you again for following up on our request regarding the MYEC - ARCDC Board configuration.

At my earlier request we understood the board to be made up of Seven (7) people. We requested four (4) Community seats. That would provide for three (3) COA seats. We believe that this would be an accurate and equitable reflection of the people that the MYEC was built to serve.

It is now our understanding that the new board is made up of nine (9) people. We therefore request five (5) community seats. That would provide for four (4) COA seats. We believe that this would be an accurate and equitable reflection of the people that the MYEC was built to serve.

As before please contact me at 470-8261 if there are any questions.

Bishop Dr. Sterling Lands II

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2009 1:55 PM
To: McDonald, Stephanie
Cc: Shade, Randi
Subject: FW: Carma's Easton Community (2,300 acres in SE Austin)
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Can you meet with him? I don't need to. Ask Nikelle the deal. Randi may want to.

From: Scott Rogers [[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2009 7:26 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Shade, Randi
Subject: Carma's Easton Community (2,300 acres in SE Austin)

Council Member Cole and Council Member Shade,

It has been our goal from the start to keep our Easton community's development plan and process above reproach. To that regard, and after the council's emergency legislation session this past Monday, I would like the opportunity to meet with you at your earliest convenience and discuss any questions or concerns you might have on the proposed community and management districts. I'm hoping to be able to talk to each council member in a honest and a face to face meeting where you can discuss any reservations with Carma personally and directly. I have asked the two of you together due to the nature of your concerns voiced during that session and hope we are able to coordinate something where we can have these frank discussions. You are welcome to have your staff or any member of city staff in the meeting. As I know you are very busy this time of the year, I will do my best to make myself available anytime from an early morning breakfast or a mid morning coffee to anything throughout the day or evening.

I look forward to meeting with you and hope I can answer any questions or ease any concerns you might have with our proposed Easton community.

Thank you,

Scott Rogers, AICP
Easton Development Manager

Carma Texas
9737 Great Hills Trail, Suite 260
Austin, Texas 78759

512.391.1330 main line
512.391.1333 fax
512.391.1332 direct

www.carmadevelopers.com

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, April 16, 2009 2:21 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Thanks for smiling at me at the RECCA lunch. It really helped.

Sheryl Cole

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2009 7:29 PM
To: Wynn, Will
Cc: Leffingwell, Lee; Shade, Randi
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

I have to run to a forum. Should be back in 30 minutes. Mike should be back before me.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 11:11 AM
To: Ott, Marc; [redacted]
Cc: Snipes, Anthony; [redacted]; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6); [redacted]
Subject: RE: URGENT: PARD attempt to take over Austin Midnight Basketball
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Marc continue to keep me posted.

From: Ott, Marc
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 8:23 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Snipes, Anthony; [redacted]; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6) [redacted]
Subject: Re: URGENT: PARD attempt to take over Austin Midnight Basketball

Mr. Silas,

First, nobody is taking over anything. I understand some matters need to be clarified and/or resolved.

I will be in touch with you soon.

Marc

Sent from my iPhone

On May 4, 2009, at 11:51 AM, [redacted]" <[redacted]> wrote:

Dear City Councilmember Cole, Marc Ott, and Anthony Snipes,

Please see the attached urgent information and request email. I await your response.Please understand the AMB contract is in compliance. The PARD has not and cannot provide information that the AMB program is not in compliance. Please do not be misled by them. There is a deadline to submit this information by tomorrow. The requested information from the COA Purchasing office from PARD was received today via email.

Bert Lumbreras cannot fix this. He is supportive of PARD, as he should be, but is not receiving accurate information from them. Remember their goal.

I am fighting for my program and I hope you will listen and recognize what is really going on. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James Silas
-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted]
To: Anne.Forsey@ci.austin.tx.us
Sent: Mon, 4 May 2009 10:28 am
Subject: Re: Letter from Patrick Corona

Dear Anne,

Please see attached.

-----Original Message-----
From: Forsey, Anne <Anne.Forsey@ci.austin.tx.us>
To: [redacted]
Cc: Hensley, Sara <Sara.Hensley@ci.austin.tx.us>; Johnson, Byron <Byron.Johnson@ci.austin.tx.us>
Sent: Mon, 4 May 2009 9:04 am
Subject: Letter from Patrick Corona

Mr. Silas, Attached again for your convenience is the letter sent to Central Purchasing by Patrick Corona outlining those sections of the Contract where PARD believes you are not in compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract. In answer to your question on who will make a can see that the wording in the cure letter is almost identical to the letter from Patrick Corona. The letter also states exactly how the City wi

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<ltrtosherylcole.doc>

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 3:04 PM
To: [redacted]; Ott, Marc; McDonald, Michael [APD]
Subject: RE: Response from Meeting
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Thank you for the information.

From: [redacted] [mailto[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 1:02 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Ott, Marc; McDonald, Michael [APD]
Subject: Fwd: Response from Meeting

This is an email from Jeffrey Gionnette regarding a meeting that was held on March 27, 2008. This meeting
was held to consummate our mutual concerns and feelings regarding public safety. The tone and attitude was encouraging and hopeful. Obviously, we were completely baffled when we received notification from Mr.
Gionnette a week before the 2009 Texas Relays.

While we are committed to going forward, we are adamant that we proceed based on integrity and honesty.

Sincerely,

Nelson Linder
President, Austin NAACP

-----Original Message-----
From: Gionnette, Jeffrey M. <[redacted]
To: [redacted]
Sent: Thu, 27 Mar 2008 5:05 pm
Subject: Response from Meeting

Mr. Nelson Linder,

I really appreciate you taking the time to meet with me today. It was a pleasure meeting you. Below is a comment that summarizes what we discussed today.

The safety and well-being of20our shoppers, retailers and employees are always our top concerns. We welcome all shoppers here at Highland Mall. We expect every shopper, regardless of their age, sex or color of their skin to be respectful of every other shopper. Our hope is each shopper will treat others as they would want to be treated; it makes for an enjoyable shopping experience for everyone. Any time we

expect a large increase in traffic at our center, such as holiday season or back to school time, we supplement our public safety team. I can't emphasize enough the safety and well-being of every shopper, retailer and employee are our top concerns.

Thank you and please contact me if you need anything else.

Jeff Gionnette | General Manager
Highland Mall | 512-454-9656
General Growth Properties, Inc.

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Big savings on Dell's most popular laptops. Now starting at $449!

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2009 12:12 PM
To: Ott, Marc; 'Katherine Gregor'
Subject: FW: fyi
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The entire Booth family including children are coming to the reception on Waller Creek at Symphony square. Katherine you asked me if we were working on private funding for Waller. I want you to know we are working on it.

From: Jo Clifton - RR [mailto[redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 11:29 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: fyi

A directory of top contributors and their beneficiaries

The Philanthropy 50: Americans Who Gave the Most in 2008

David G. and Suzanne Deal Booth

Rank: 6
Total amount committed in 2008: $300-million
Location: Austin, Texas
Source of wealth: Finance

Beneficiary: University of Chicago Booth School of Business
Donors' background: Mr. Booth co-founded Dimensional Fund Advisors, an international finance firm in Santa Monica, Calif. Ms. Booth is a former art conservator who has restored paintings in the collection of the Georges Pompidou Center, in Paris; in the J. Paul Getty Trust, in Los Angeles; and in the Menil Collection, in Houston.

Mr. Booth, 62, and his wife, Suzanne, 54, pledged $300-million to the University of Chicago's business school. The couple did not earmark the money for any specific purpose. Officials at the school say that while they have not mapped out exactly how they will use all of the money, some of it will go toward supporting current and new faculty members. Other uses, they say, could include expanding the school's research centers and broadening its international branches beyond its current London and Singapore campuses.

Although they would not say whether any of the pledged amount has been paid, the Booths have arranged to give a portion of the money upfront, while the remainder will be paid out over a period of years from their family trust. Some of the pledge will come in the form of cash payments, and some in shares of stock in Dimensional Holdings, a parent company of Dimensional Fund Advisors.

Mr. Booth, who is a trustee of the university, earned a master's in business administration from its business school in 1971. He said he made the pledge because he wanted to repay the school for the intellectual epiphany he had there. Mr. Booth's insights into efficient market theories were influenced by several of the business school's professors, including Merton Miller, Frank Reilly, and his biggest influence, Eugene Fama, who became a mentor and helped Mr. Booth find his first job.

The first course Mr. Booth took at the business school, he recalled, was a finance course taught by Mr. Fama. "We didn't even have a textbook. It was all photocopies. Fama and Miller had gotten together and decided to write a textbook, and we had the rough draft," said Mr. Booth in a news release.

On the first day of class, Mr. Fama told his students that the course would be the most practical one they would ever take. "I was young and naïve enough to believe him, and it turns out in my case to have been true," said Mr. Booth.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 12:19 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; 'Clifford Gillard'; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Garza, Bobby; Cavazos, Jazmin; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Summer Program "Forms Of Expressions"
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We would certainly like to be included in the meeting.

From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 1:06 PM
To: 'Clifford Gillard'; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Garza, Bobby; Cavazos, Jazmin
Subject: RE: Summer Program "Forms Of Expressions"

Clifford,

Please call my office to schedule a meeting with my staff and they will assess your proposal.

Thanks,
Mike

From: Clifford Gillard [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2009 3:07 PM
To: Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee
Subject: Summer Program "Forms Of Expressions"

Dear Council member,

My name is Clifford Gillard, I am part of a group of organizations that is attempting to host a summer education/entertainment program at Givens and Rosewood Park in east Austin. We believe that our program provides both educational and entertainment components that provides both participants ands guest a stress less learning environment while enjoying themselves. With the absence of any organized activities/events for youths and young adults on the east-side and with school been out for the summer months, we hope to fill that void with some positive experiences, while providing the opportunity for both learning some life skills and having some fun.

Please review the attached program, we would like to sit with you and discuss this program and possible way you can assist in making the the success we know it can be.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2009 12:52 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Subject: RE: Didn't Get a Chance to Mention....
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Thank you.

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2009 1:33 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Didn't Get a Chance to Mention....

it is very *graceful* of you to be supporting Mike for MPT.

Laura Morrison
Austin City Council, Place 4
512-974-2258
512-974-1886 (Fax)
Laura.Morrison@ci.austin.tx.us
http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/council/morrison.htm

Long, Tara

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2009 1:14 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: I support Chief Kerr's efforts
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You are welcome.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2009 3:08 PM
To: [redacted]; Wynn, Will; 'Brewster McCracken'; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Morrison, Laura; 'Randi Shade'
Cc: 'Margo Weisz'; 'Tom Meredith'; 'Lynn Meredith'; 'Will Meredith'; 'Jack McDonald'; 'Steven Tomlinson'
Subject: RE: Thank you

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Thanks for all you do.

-----Original Message-----
From: Eugene Sepulveda [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2009 8:19 AM
To: Wynn, Will; Brewster McCracken; Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Morrison, Laura; Randi Shade
Cc: Margo Weisz; Tom Meredith; Lynn Meredith; Will Meredith; Jack McDonald; Steven Tomlinson
Subject: Thank you

Can't thank you guys enough for the extraordinary support for PeopleFund/PeopleTrust and economic development for low & moderate income citizens as well as our affordable housing programs. Leveraged with the Meredith's extraordinary gift, the EDA grant and board members' financial gifts, we'll break ground in the next few months and create our home and East Austin Eco Development Community Center.

Thank you!
*****
Eugene

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T
Please forgive typos - tiny little keys!

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2009 9:01 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Great job.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2009 5:08 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; [redacted]; Parham, Candy; [redacted]; Leffingwell, Lee; Morrison, Laura; Shade, Randi; McCracken, Brewster; Wynn, Will
Cc: Walker, Susan; Ramirez, Diana; Li, Victoria J; Smith, David [City Attorney]; Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: Letter to BOA
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I agree with Mike's recollection.

From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2009 9:36 AM
To: [redacted]; Parham, Candy; [redacted].com; [redacted] Cole, Sheryl; Leffingwell, Lee; Morrison, Laura; Shade, Randi; McCracken, Brewster; Wynn, Will
Cc: Walker, Susan; Ramirez, Diana; Li, Victoria J; Smith, David [City Attorney]; Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: Letter to BOA

Frank and all,

I was in attendence and serve on the Audit and Finance committee. What I recall clearly was the Chair of BOA seeking council direction as to by-laws and issues relating to reconsideration of agenda items. Not direction as to how you shuold vote on a particular matter.

I would also like to have David Smith provide his opinion as to how BOA should procede.

Thanks,
Mike

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2009 4:43 PM
To: Parham, Candy; [redacted].net; [redacted]; Cole, Sheryl; Leffingwell, Lee; Morrison, Laura; Shade, Randi; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; McCracken, Brewster; Wynn, Will
Cc: Walker, Susan; Ramirez, Diana; Li, Victoria J
Subject: Re: Letter to BOA

Ms. Parham,

Please make note that I have received the correspondence signed by the Mayor Pro_tem, Brewster McCracken, Council Member Laura Morrison, and Council Member Elect, Chris Riley. I must admit, I am at a loss, never having received such a direct request on a particular BOA case from our council members. Before we can even consider this case the neighbourhood association must file the reconsideration request and the BOA staff must more than likely sent out notices before we even get it to our agendas. Please notify the

Association and the Applicant.

Kindest Regards,
Frank Fuentes

In a message dated 5/28/2009 3:36:13 P.M. Central Daylight Time, Candy.Parham@ci.austin.tx.us writes:

> As the liaison to boards and commissions, we are transmitting the following request from Mayor Pro Tem McCracken, Council Member Morrison and Council Member-elect Riley.
>
> Thank you.
>
> Candy Parham Hinkle
> Boards and Commissions Coordinator
> Office of the City Clerk
> (512) 974-2497
> (512) 974-2374 -- fax
> candy.parham@ci.austin.tx.us

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2009 9:31 AM
To: Morrison, Laura; Lurie, David
Cc: Levinski, Robert; 'Jean Stevens [redacted]'; Hensley, Sara; Lumbreras, Bert
Subject: RE: Memo to Mayor and Council by HHSD re: Davenport Building
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Flag Status: Red
Categories: Memos

I agree.
Sheryl Cole

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Sunday, June 07, 2009 1:39 PM
To: Lurie, David
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Levinski, Robert; 'Jean Stevens [redacted]'; Hensley, Sara; Lumbreras, Bert
Subject: RE: Memo to Mayor and Council by HHSD re: Davenport Building

Thank you David. I think that will help the discussion and outcome in the long run. One other thought is that keeping the Parks Board up to date would also be of help.

Laura

From: Lurie, David
Sent: Wed 6/3/2009 1:13 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Levinski, Robert; 'Jean Stevens ([redacted]'; Hensley, Sara; Lumbreras, Bert
Subject: RE: Memo to Mayor and Council by HHSD re: Davenport Building

Yes, Council Member, we would welcome the participation. We will be sure to add the association representative to the invitee list.

Thank you.

David

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 4:47 PM
To: Lurie, David
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Levinski, Robert; Jean Stevens ([redacted])
Subject: FW: Memo to Mayor and Council by HHSD re: Davenport Building

David –

Thank you for the update and your work on this. Since this area is part of the Old West Austin Neighborhood Plan area, I believe that they should be included in the stakeholder group. Jean Stevens is

the contact for the contact team and is currently the chair of the neighborhood association as well.

Laura

Laura Morrison
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From: From the Public Information Office
Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 2:32 PM
To: Official Distribution
Cc: Corona, Bob; Directors/Exec. Secretaries
Subject: Memo to Mayor and Council by HHSD re: Davenport Building

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: David Lurie, Director

DATE: June 2, 2009

SUBJECT: Davenport Building at current animal services site

Based on questions we received from the community recently we wish to share our plans for future disposition of the Davenport Building with Council. Public discussion of Davenport and adjacent l will be facilitated by staff in the near future.

On October 11, 2007, the Council approved building the new animal services facility on the Health Human Services Campus, and designated use of the Davenport Building, located at the current anin shelter, for off-site adoption purposes after operations have moved to the new location. While we v preparing a program plan for provision of adoption services it is early in the process to be specific a time.

As a part of the development of this plan, we will be gathering input from the community, our partr agencies, volunteers, and our placement partners, rescue groups and other area shelters. We intend collaborate with the Parks Department, West Austin Youth Association (WAYA), and the YMCA (Master Planning for the area that would include the Davenport Building. The process will include stakeholder/community meetings, soliciting electronic communications, feedback to participants, a as website postings so that interested individuals can stay involved and be informed as the project develops. We intend to launch this planning cycle in the fall of 2009. A preliminary timeline is as follows:

- Input gathering process November 2009-February 2010
- Analysis of stakeholder input February-April 2010

- Feedback regarding input April 2010
- Program Plan development April-May 2010
- Feedback regarding plan May 2010
- Finalize plan June-July 2010

Implementation would occur when the new facility opens in 2011. Should you have any questions, contact my office at 972-5010.

cc: Marc Ott, City Manager, City of Austin
H. G. (Bert) Lumbreras, Assistant City Manager
Sara Hensley, Director, PARD
Dorinda Pulliam, Assistant Director for Animal Services, HHSD

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 3:36 PM
To: Ott, Marc
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Will you please evaluate some proposals on how we might finance the digital cameras for the police department?

Sheryl Cole

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2009 2:31 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Cc: McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: SWS Master Plan
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Yes let's visit this week. Thanks for doing the postponement. Steph will work on it.

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2009 10:34 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Rush, Barbara; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6); McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: SWS Master Plan

Sheryl,

I hope you are having a good trip. I wanted to let you know that we are postponing item 12, the SWS Master Plan, until next week. I would like to talk with you about this in the interim to follow up our discussion earlier this week.

Barb will be working with me on this; not sure who in your office.

Thanks,
Laura

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2009 4:16 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee
Subject: RE: Community weatherization project
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Great. Keep me posted. I didn't know.

From: Leffingwell, Lee
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2009 3:55 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Community weatherization project

We are looking at a program right now – evaluating it – that will address low-income communities. Another large city in Texas is already doing this program, and I think it will be well-received,

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 5:06 PM
To: Long, Tara
Cc: Ott, Marc; 'spelman@mail.utexas.edu'
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Can you set up a meeting with me and Bill Spellman with Sara Hensley about the Seattle neighborhood matching grant program after the break?

Sheryl Cole

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 9:00 AM
To: 'Arlene Youngblood'; Rush, Barbara; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: Concerns Re:Hours and Conditions of Givens and Rosewood Pools in East Austin
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello Arlene. It is good to hear from you. I visited Rosewood several times during the past 4 months with different community members including Ms. Duffy. We have recently made repairs at my urging to Doris Miller and added a splash pool. However, I agree there is still more work to be done and I plan to work with you and the rest of the community to make as much happen as possible in this tight budget season. Stay in touch.

From: Arlene Youngblood [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2009 11:47 AM
To: Rush, Barbara; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: Concerns Re:Hours and Conditions of Givens and Rosewood Pools in East Austin

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2009 4:06 PM
To: 'Paul Waclawsky'; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Riley, Chris; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William
Cc: Richard Halpin; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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This is great. Randi Shade and my office are working a Green Jobs Initiative and will be visiting with you again soon.

From: Paul Waclawsky [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2009 3:48 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Riley, Chris; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Richard Halpin
Subject: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities

Thank you all for your interest and support. I'm meeting with Roger Duncan this afternoon to talk about ways that Austin Energy and our new Accelerated Green Jobs Training Center can create a bigger win-win for Austin. I'm hoping this four month contribution of the utilities bill will work because it is, in fact, a win-win for all of us.

By the way, folks, this Green Jobs Training Center is a big deal for Austin. We haven't seen other cities capture this idea yet, so we think it will be a big draw to new employers for our economy.

My very best,
Richard Halpin

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From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member] [mailto:Mike.Martinez@ci.austin.tx.us]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 12:54 PM
To: Paul Waclawsky; Leffingwell, Lee; Riley, Chris; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Richard Halpin
Subject: RE: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities

More than happy to support and help Richard.

Mike

From: Paul Waclawsky [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 12:32 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Riley, Chris; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Richard Halpin
Subject: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities

Mayor and Council Members,

I have just scheduled a meeting with Roger Duncan on Monday, July 20th at 3 p.m., to discuss Austin Energy's investment in the accelerated Green Jobs Training Center.

I also spoke to Council Member Riley yesterday about this investment opportunity. The four months that we are looking for Austin Energy's energy investment is the critical time that we're doing all the construction retrofitting for this new LEED certified facility. This accelerated Green Jobs Training Center facility will be the first of its kind of this type of innovation in the country. It will be another reason why Austin can rightfully claim its green energy international leadership.

I need your help with Austin Energy to share your support regarding this investment opportunity for four months worth of energy.

My very best,
Richard Halpin

From: Paul Waclawsky
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 12:26 PM
To: 'Bonee, Lucy'
Cc: Richard Halpin
Subject: RE: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities

Hello Lucy,

We are excited to hear back from you on this. Richard is available on Monday July 20th at 3p.
With this response, I'm confirming this meeting and putting it on his calendar.
Thanks!
Paul

From: Bonee, Lucy [mailto:Lucy.Bonee@austinenergy.com] **On Behalf Of** Duncan, Roger
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 9:46 AM
To: Richard Halpin
Cc: Paul Waclawsky
Subject: FW: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities

Hello Mr. Halpin,

Thank you for your recent email. Roger Duncan has asked me to contact you in hopes of scheduling a meeting

with you to discuss your email.
Are you available to meet on Monday July 20th at 3:00 p.m.? We are located at 721 Barton Springs Road in the Town Lake Center building.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
Lucy Bonee - Executive Assistant
Austin Energy www.austinenergy.com
O. 512-322-6569 E. lucy.bonee@austinenergy.com

From: Paul Waclawsky [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2009 5:14 PM
To: Duncan, Roger; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Richard Halpin
Subject: From: Richard Halpin Re: Green Jobs Training Opportunities

Gentleman,

We have such good news! We have brought to Austin $1.95 million dollars on a $3 million project to LEED retrofit our South Campus Facility to be a day and evening accelerated Green Jobs Training Center. We are 2/3 of the way to this project's funding completion. We are now reforming our charter public high school to be a green high school. This will bring many schools from across the state and the nation to Austin to visit this green campus. We expect to do more green employment accelerated work on the evenings and weekends; From building energy management systems to solar retail installation, maintenance and more, rainwater harvesting, green culinary academy and several other green employment specific features (for example: electric car conversion and mechanics).

The reason I write to you is that during this construction period (May to August 2009) we will experience extraordinarily high utility bills as the insulation is being removed and replaced as well as the installation of the HVAC system and the controls that are part of it. These are a few of the major renovations on the property.

Is there a way that the Austin Energy Corporation can waive those bills for the construction months or in other ways collaborate with us not only on these utility bills but in other green job training activities?

I'd be delighted to sit down with you or your staff members to discuss green job training opportunities. I've been told that American YouthWorks was listed as one of the projects that Austin Energy sent to Washington? We'd be delighted to follow up on those opportunities as well.

Parenthetically, the property that we have on East 4th Street, one of the first if not the first commercial green built buildings in downtown Austin, and the warehouse adjoining it (one half block of downtown Austin) may come available for lease or purchase. If the City of Austin or Austin Energy is interested, please let me know.

My very best,
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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 12:31 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
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I talked to Cheryl Bradly. There is not a press conference tomorrow. She appreciates all of our support.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 12:32 PM
To: McDonald, Michael [APD]; Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: Police Amendment Contract Passes
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Great work.

From: Telles, Reyne
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2009 4:03 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Riley, Chris; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Cole, Sheryl; Spelman, William
Cc: McDonald, Michael [APD]; Matthews, Douglas
Subject: Police Amendment Contract Passes

The City Manager's Office wanted to alert you that the **Austin Police Association has passed the amendment to its contract with 83% approval.**

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 4:56 PM
To: Long, Tara
Cc: McDonald, Stephanie; Browder, Leslie; Ott, Marc
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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 7:53 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
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I hope you have this zoning under control. Brewster is gone.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 9:19 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: the bats
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He is most welcome.

From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 8:14 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Riley, Chris
Subject: the bats

My trusty aide Andrew Moore wanted me to pass on his sincere thanks for your vote.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2009 11:08 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: Waller
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Congressman Dogget called and we are suppose to go to lunch with 5 business community leaders that I pick and explain the importance of the Waller project to the City. I will keep you posted.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 11:35 AM
To: Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Rush, Barbara; Williamson, Laura; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Support Letter for Pearce-Urgent
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I will also, I sent the letter to Cheryl Bradley for her input thoughts. I will keep you both posted.

From: Riley, Chris
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 10:03 AM
To: Morrison, Laura; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Rush, Barbara; Williamson, Laura; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Support Letter for Pearce-Urgent

Thanks for following up on this, Laura. I'm with you; I'll be glad to sign on if the trustees think that would help.

Chris

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 9:00 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Riley, Chris
Cc: Rush, Barbara; Williamson, Laura; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: FW: Support Letter for Pearce-Urgent
Importance: High

Sheryl and Chris,

I wanted to coordinate with you both on signing of this letter. I would be pleased to sign it but first want to check in with the trustees to ensure they believe it is in the best interest of the district to have council members' names on it.

I have a call into Mark Williams. I don't have Cheryl Bradley's number who I hope we can also touch base with.

I'd appreciate your thoughts.

Thanks,
Laura

PS Sheryl - I think Allen may have gotten a wrong email address for you on the original.

From: Allen Weeks [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Mon 7/27/2009 11:03 PM
To: Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris; Cole Cheryl
Cc: Corpus, Grace; Rush, Barbara; Williamson, Laura
Subject: Support Letter for Pearce-Urgent

Dear City Council Friends,

In a meeting of east Austin pastors last Thursday, a decision was made to write a letter to TEA Commissioner Robert Scott expressing support for AISD's efforts to open Pearce MS under a repurposing plan. I've attached the letter.

Our fear is that the back and forth with the TEA will continue to delay the process until opening Pearce this year becomes unrealistic. Another meeting today produced more clarifications, which AISD will produce tomorrow.

We are going to be sending the letter to the Commissioner and the governor's office on Wednesday, as well as releasing it to the media. We also have an op-ed piece coming out Wednesday with many of the same points.

While we don't want to push the Commissioner into a corner, we also want to express that the community wants this process to move along for the good of the kids.

Whatever support you could lend to this letter would be greatly appreciated. We will be publishing a list of supporters with the letter. Our hope is to have city and county leaders, members of the Travis County delegation, community and faith leaders, and parents and students to be among those listed.

We have been in touch with AISD officials and trustees about this letter. Trustee Cheryl Bradley is one of its authors. This is a community letter, however, and we aren't looking for AISD folks to sign on. Mark Williams is supportive.

If there are other council members that you think would be interested in signing on, please feel free to forward this letter to them or let me know.

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you!

Allen Weeks
653-4935

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 1:44 PM
To: Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris
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Cheryl Bradley says it is okay to sign the letter.

Sheryl Cole

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2009 9:45 AM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: RE:
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Great.

From: Ott, Marc
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 8:19 PM
To: Browder, Leslie
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Long, Tara; McDonald, Stephanie; Canally, Greg
Subject: Re: RE:

Thank you Leslie. That was the right response. They need to let us do the work. When we have options and a recommendation, then we can advise the Council.

Marc

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 28, 2009, at 5:36 PM, "Browder, Leslie" <Leslie.Browder@ci.austin.tx.us> wrote:

> We're planning to brief Marc on the research we have done when he returns from vacation next week. Leslie
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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 11:28 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: Historic Amendments
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I think this language is better than what I was proposing.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 11:27 AM
To: Rusthoven, Jerry; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Coleman, Glen; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Historic Amendments

I have discussed with John Donisi – he made a couple of minor suggestions (removed the word "only" and changed should to "shall." Am assuming we would still want to address the percentage -- the idea is to keep that part the same – 1/3 of what will become 51% which equals 17% so I have added that below, too. Thoughts?

City-owned property shall count towards the support for the nomination of the district if it contains a building or structure which has been zoned historic, or was integral to the historical development of the district, based upon the recommendations of the Historic Preservation Office and the Historic Landmark Commission. The amount of such property to be calculated as supporting shall not exceed 17% of the 51% of the land in the proposed district.

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From: Rusthoven, Jerry
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 10:53 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Shade, Randi
Cc: Coleman, Glen; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: Historic Amendments

Hello Sheryl and Randi,

First…Randi you did not co-sponsor the resolution on including City property in the local historic district petition. It was Laura and Lee. You were a co-sponsor of the other resolution that initiated the other code amendments. I have attached both resolutions.

The Heritage Society is proposing several amendments I presume you have seen them. This is what the Society says for City owned property.

Property owned by the City of Austin or other governmental entities shall be fully excluded from the area subject to petition of the owners, except such property may be included in support if it contains structures or features that contribute to the historic character of the district, as determined by the Historic Landmark Commission. The amount of such property to be calculated as supporting shall not exceed 17% of the 51% of the land in the proposed district.

This is what we would recommend. It's very close.

City-owned property should count towards the support for the nomination of the district only if it contains a building or structure which has been zoned historic, or was integral to the historical development of the district based upon the recommendations of the Historic Preservation Office and the Historic Landmark Commission.

Examples of city-owned property which would be considered integral to the development of a neighborhood would be bridges across Shoal Creek which allowed for the development of residential areas west of the creek, or Adams or Stacy Park, which were developed as part of the subdivision (Aldridge Place and Travis Heights, respectively). Otherwise, city-owned property within a potential district should be netted out of the equation so that the support necessary for the nomination of the district reflects the wishes of the property owners within the district. Allowing city-owned property with no intrinsic historic value to count towards the amount of land necessary for nomination of the district dilutes the requirement that the owners of a certain percentage of land within the district demonstrate their support for the district.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS FOR OWNER-OPPOSED HISTORIC ZONING CASES
Prior to the Task Force recommendations, the Historic Landmark Commission needed only a simple majority to recommend a building for historic zoning against the wishes of the property owner. The Task Force recommended a three-quarter vote (supermajority) to ensure that owner-opposed historic zoning cases had the strong support of the Landmark Commission. The difference between the three-quarters vote currently in place and the proposed two-thirds vote is one vote on the HLC which now has 7 members (6 of 7 instead of 5 of 7) The potential liability of retaining a three-quarters vote requirement is that it may require more specially-called meetings if there are not 6 members of the Commission who are present and able to vote on an owner-opposed historic zoning case.

If I were to want to stick to 75% (as requested by the DAA) I would say that because an owner opposed case requires a ¾ majority of Council to approve the Historic zoning it should also require a ¾ majority to be initiated by the Landmark Commission.

We disagree with the other 2 points in the DAA letter, the staff discretion and the timeline. The staff discretion is more or less current practice and the timeline will avoid more Ave F's (the one that had the wake)

We are OK with the Heritage Society amendments.

If you need anything else my cell is 917-5959.

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From: Cole, Sheryl
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I am following your lead.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 11:29 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE: Historic Amendments

Great.

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To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: Historic Amendments

I think this language is better than what I was proposing.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 11:27 AM
To: Rusthoven, Jerry; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Coleman, Glen; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Historic Amendments

I have discussed with John Donisi – he made a couple of minor suggestions (removed the word "only" and changed should to "shall." Am assuming we would still want to address the percentage -- the idea is to keep that part the same – 1/3 of what will become 51% which equals 17% so I have added that below, too. Thoughts?

City-owned property shall count towards the support for the nomination of the district if it contains a building or structure which has been zoned historic, or was integral to the historical development of the district, based upon the recommendations of the Historic Preservation Office and the Historic Landmark Commission. The amount of such property to be calculated as supporting shall not exceed 17% of the 51% of the land in the proposed district.

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From: Rusthoven, Jerry
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 10:53 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Shade, Randi
Cc: Coleman, Glen; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: Historic Amendments

Hello Sheryl and Randi,

First...Randi you did not co-sponsor the resolution on including City property in the local historic district petition. It was Laura and Lee. You were a co-sponsor of the other resolution that initiated the other code amendments. I have attached both resolutions.

The Heritage Society is proposing several amendments I presume you have seen them. This is what the Society says for City owned property.

Property owned by the City of Austin or other governmental entities shall be fully excluded from the area subject to petition of the owners, except such property may be included in support if it contains structures or features that contribute to the historic character of the district, as determined by the Historic Landmark Commission. The amount of such property to be calculated as supporting shall not exceed 17% of the 51% of the land in the proposed district.

This is what we would recommend. It's very close.

City-owned property should count towards the support for the nomination of the district only if it contains a building or structure which has been zoned historic, or was integral to the historical development of the district based upon the recommendations of the Historic Preservation Office and the Historic Landmark Commission.

Examples of city-owned property which would be considered integral to the development of a neighborhood would be bridges across Shoal Creek which allowed for the development of residential areas west of the creek, or Adams or Stacy Park, which were developed as part of the subdivision (Aldridge Place and Travis Heights, respectively). Otherwise, city-owned property within a potential district should be netted out of the equation so that the support necessary for the nomination of the district reflects the wishes of the property owners within the district. Allowing city-owned property with no intrinsic historic value to count towards the amount of land necessary for nomination of the district dilutes the requirement that the owners of a certain percentage of land within the district demonstrate their support for the district.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS FOR OWNER-OPPOSED HISTORIC ZONING CASES
Prior to the Task Force recommendations, the Historic Landmark Commission needed only a simple majority to recommend a building for historic zoning against the wishes of the property owner. The Task Force recommended a three-quarter vote (supermajority) to ensure that owner-opposed historic zoning cases had the strong support of the Landmark Commission. The difference between the three-quarters vote currently in place and the proposed two-thirds vote is one vote on the HLC which now has 7 members (6 of 7 instead of 5 of 7) The potential liability of retaining a three-quarters vote requirement is that it may require more specially-called meetings if there are not 6 members of the

Commission who are present and able to vote on an owner-opposed historic zoning case.

If I were to want to stick to 75% (as requested by the DAA) I would say that because an owner opposed case requires a ¾ majority of Council to approve the Historic zoning it should also require a ¾ majority to be initiated by the Landmark Commission.

We disagree with the other 2 points in the DAA letter, the staff discretion and the timeline. The staff discretion is more or less current practice and the timeline will avoid more Ave F's (the one that had the wake)

We are OK with the Heritage Society amendments.

If you need anything else my cell is 917-5959.

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 6:36 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Cc: Pantalion, Joe; Adams, George; Robertson, Jim; Goode, Robert; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: Waller Creek
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I am having lunch with Congressman Doggett and a few members of the business community about Waller tomorrow. Your staff has been incredibly helpful.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 7:53 PM
To: Matustik, David
Cc: Ott, Marc; Snipes, Anthony; Matthews, Douglas; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Statement in Sanders case
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Thank you.

From: Matustik, David
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 5:33 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Ott, Marc; Snipes, Anthony; Matthews, Douglas; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: Statement in Sanders case

Dear Council Member:

First, I want to apologize for the erroneous subject line provided by our office when we sent your statement on the Sanders' case non-indictment to Official Distribution. Official Distribution is an internal communications venue that reaches a City of Austin internal audience, including Council Members, the City Manager's Team and Department Directors. We have since corrected the error in a subsequent e-mail and recalled the first one. Of the approximately 100 who receive Official Distribution a majority never opened the e-mail before it was recalled.

Also, be assured that the error on the subject line did not occur when the statement was sent to the media earlier today.

Today's error will prompt some changes in process in the Communications and Public Information Office on how such items are handled. Ironically, we had a meeting earlier today to discuss guidelines. This type of mistake will be addressed in those so it will not be repeated.

Sincerely,

David Matustik
Deputy Director
Communications and Public Information Office

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 8:33 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Good job sticking to your guns.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 8:38 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE:
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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You did great.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 8:35 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE:

Thanks and thanks for sticking with me. I wish I had the parliamentary process down better but we got done what we needed to get done.

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 8:33 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject:

Good job sticking to your guns.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 10:58 PM
To: Shade, Randi; '[redacted]
Cc: Long, Tara
Subject: RE: Introduction
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

I would love to get together with you guys.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 10:29 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Introduction

Hi Jim
I have two favors – one can you send me an extra copy of last month's Alcalde – the one with my Cactus photo in the 80s story. I gave my copy to my City Council Colleague Sheryl Cole so she could see the story about Texas Relays. My mother was upset that I hadn't saved her a copy. My mailing address is: 1822 W. 10th St. Austin, TX 78703

Speaking of my colleague Sheryl Cole – my second favor is that I want to set up a time for you and Sheryl to meet. Sheryl graduated from UT – BBA in accounting and then law degree. She is taking the lead on improving the City's response to Texas Relays and for all kinds of other reasons would be a great person to plug in to Texas Exes efforts especially with respect to minority outreach and recruitment.

By way of this email, I am officially introducing you and Sheryl, but I'd love to get some dates from you that might work for us to schedule a meeting or lunch visit.

Thanks,

Randi

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2009 12:06 AM
To: Leffingwell, Lee
Subject: Congratulations on WTP4
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

You have been right about this from the beginning.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:03 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Thank you
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

From: Aguilera, Gloria
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 3:02 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Thank you

Hello Council Member Cole!

First, I hope you and your family had a fun summer. School begins next week and I wish for you your sanity since you not only keep a loving home; you also have a huge responsibility of making policies to insure the safety for all Austinites, to live in an affordable City, a safe environment, and economically sound City.
May God continue to Bless you, give you the strength and patience to carry on all your goals.

Second, I want to express my gratitude to you for working on bringing back longevity pay for City employees. It means a great deal to us (City employees) especially to middle to low income households like myself and their are many City employees who are mid to low income.. Many City employees depend on this pay to pay their taxes, buy Christmas gifts, etc. This money also stimulates our economy, but most of all we do deserve it. The longevity pay is $100 per year if you have been with the City 5 years with a cap of $1500. Also, the majority of City workers (blue collar workers, clerical, admin assistance) live in the City limits. City employees are taking on more responsibilities (job duties) since vacancies are not being filled.

I just wanted to let you know your willingness to support us (COA employees) has not gone unnoticed. Thank you for all you do for "us" AUSTINITES and thank you for supporting City employees!

Respectfully,

Gloria Aguilera

August 18, 2009

Cole backs keeping longevity pay for employees in budget

Council Member Sheryl Cole said Monday she believes the city can afford and should pay employees the longevity pay the city's management team has proposed to cut in an effort to help balance the upcoming budget.

City Manager Marc Ott proposed to save $1.7 million from the General Fund by eliminating this year's service incentive pay (SIP), a stipend for employees who have worked for the city for five years or more.

Ott has proposed a $2.75 billion balanced budget that includes a menu of $45 million in cutbacks, including the well-publicized steps to freeze the pay of city employees and a delay in pay increases police and emergency medical services employees were contracted to receive this coming year.

Cole, who is both an attorney and a certified public accountant, said she expects the city to have more in revenues than the Budget Office has scheduled to spend in the upcoming year.

"The city may have sales tax revenue in excess of what was budgeted. For example if we budgeted $100,000 in sales tax revenue, even though it may be down from last year when we had $150,000, but if we actually receive $110,000, it would still be up," she said.

Last week, the city received a sales tax payment of $13.5 million, a decrease of 6.8 percent, but not the nearly 10 percent projected. **Chief Financial Officer Leslie Browder** explained at the time that the city received "a high, positive audit adjustment of $441,000" from the State of Texas. It is usually around $100,000.

A majority of Council Members have said they do not want to cut employee hours or pay. But in order to balance the budget, Ott has proposed 1- to 3-day furloughs and eliminating the service incentive pay. The furloughs were expected to save the city's General Fund about $700,000 but that idea was pretty clearly rejected by most Council Members early in the process.

Cole told *In Fact Daily*, "We appreciate the budget the city manager has put forth and the hard work and thought he has put into it. We will continue to work with him and my colleagues to make sure that during these tough times we have a balanced budget." She also noted that "we still have not received the certified property appraisals....and there are still other items as we continue to work through the budget analysis with staff."

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 11:34 AM
To: [redacted]; Scott Joslove
Subject: RE: HOT Information
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Thanks.

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From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 5:04 PM
To: Scott Joslove; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: HOT Information

You are the best. Thanks so much!

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From: Scott Joslove
Date: Fri, 14 Aug 2009 16:57:14 -0500
To: [redacted] Cole, Sheryl<Sheryl.Cole@ci.austin.tx.us>
Subject: FW: HOT Information

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 9:30 AM
To: Morrison, Laura
Subject: RE: Women Elected Officials Lunch
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I am in.

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From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 9:26 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Shade, Randi
Cc: Corpus, Grace; Long, Tara; Diaz, Elaine; Rush, Barbara
Subject: Women Elected Officials Lunch

Sheryl and Randi,

As you'll recall, we offered to host this next. If I remember correctly, we were shooting for April. Water under the bridge now... How about we try to make it sometime in October? I had a brief chat with Donna Howard about this and her sense matched mine, that October ought to be far enough out to meet the many busy schedules of our guests.

If you all are good with that, I'll ask Grace to get working with Elaine and Tara to make it happen.

We had also mentioned the possibility of inviting some of our women management staff. Asking them to share their thoughts on serving in the city's management structure might make for an interesting topic.

I'll look forward to your thoughts on all this.

Laura

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:27 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I never saw her proposed language.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:33 AM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Sorry I misunderstood your motion.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:40 AM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE:
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Right. I hadn't even seen them

From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:34 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE:

no worries...let's work on it this week and get it all right.

I didn't want us to vote on all those changes that we never saw until today.

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:33 AM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject:

Sorry I misunderstood your motion.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 11:32 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE:
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I feel so bad. I feel like she made me look bad on the dais. She totally took me down and did stuff different than what we agreed to. You know I am going to work with you on it. I am thinking of bringing it as an item from council.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 11:13 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE:

Interesting....and figures.

Hey, I was thinking we should think about adding liaison from Small and MBWBE Advisory Commission....someone like Adrian would be great – as official liaison as well as just a generally good member.

In light of our conversation yesterday we should also be sure to have health and human services folks....I need to wrangle up some applicants....

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:27 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject:

I never saw her proposed language.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 4:27 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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As discussed, I am going to bring the Comprehensive Plan Citizen Advisory Task Force item as a council item. I am asking you and Chris to Cosponsor.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 8:18 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: Do Good Deli
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Thanks for the information. Let's talk about it later.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 8:13 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: FW: Do Good Deli

I meant to send this to y'all earlier – sad news about Do Good Deli, but what is most important is this line of the story:

A big factor in the decision, Atherton said, was the escalating demand that has hit basic-needs service providers in the last year. In the first six months of 2008, Caritas turned away 579 applicants because of a lack of resources. In 2009, that number was 2,372.

I referenced this story and issue during our last Public Health Subcommittee meeting when Beth Atherton addressed us on behalf of AASHA. It seems relevant to all the 6th St. discussion of today. Seems like for HHS Dept to have held back the $135K we applied to the Caritas Collaborative in last year's budget and call it a "savings" isn't really in line with what Council passed last year…..

What do y'all think?

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PHILANTHROPY: ANDREA BALL

Goodbye, Do Good Deli

Caritas shuts venture down

Sunday, August 16, 2009

The Do Good Deli is done doing good. The nonprofit-owned sandwich shop closed last month.

The Do Good Deli opened in November 2007 as a money-making venture for Caritas, a charity that helps homeless and low-

income people. Leaders had hoped the business would net about $30,000 a year for the organization, which would then use the proceeds to support its other programs.

But the deli — located at 211 E. Seventh St., Lower Level No. 101 — never made money, said Beth Atherton, Caritas' executive director. So the charity abandoned the venture to shift its energy to existing projects.

"It was a distraction for us to focus on an earned-

income project when we needed to focus on our clients," she said.

A big factor in the decision, Atherton said, was the escalating demand that has hit basic-needs service providers in the last year. In the first six months of 2008, Caritas turned away 579 applicants because of a lack of resources. In 2009, that number was 2,372.

The good news, Atherton said, is that the deli's former manager is continuing the shop as a private business. It is now called the Deli Downstairs.

In other philanthropy news ...

Central Market recently donated recycled materials from a deck renovation to Austin Habitat for Humanity's ReStore.

The company hired Austin Deck Company to replace an existing deck at its store on North Lamar Boulevard and preserve the original lumber. The company was able to salvage a large percentage of the old deck, allowing Central Market to donate more than 10,000 square feet of cedar to Habitat for Humanity.

Purchased new, the material would have cost more than $25,000, according to Central Market.

Habitat for Humanity builds homes for low-income people. It operates the ReStore, at 310 Comal St., which sells new and gently used building materials.

Front Steps, a nonprofit that runs the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless, is celebrating its new Web site at an upcoming fundraiser. The event will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Aug. 27 at Pluckers on 3909 S. Lamar Blvd.

Pluckers will donate 20 percent of all food and nonalcoholic beverage purchases to Front Steps.

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Long, Tara

From:	Cole, Sheryl
Sent:	Thursday, August 27, 2009 10:18 AM
To:	McDonald, Stephanie; Corpus, Grace; Levinski, Robert; Ballas, Marisa; Williamson, Laura; Long, Tara
Cc:	Arzola, Sylvia; Stoll, Garner; Claxton, Gregory; Guernsey, Greg; Morrison, Laura; 'Chris Riley'
Subject:	RE: Special Call Meeting of the Comprehensive Planning and Transportation Committee
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Laura and Chris do you mind if our aides and whatever staff members meet to brainstorm about ways we may can streamline the process for our meeting. I understand we have over 100 applicants.

From: McDonald, Stephanie
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 10:03 AM
To: Corpus, Grace; Levinski, Robert; Ballas, Marisa; Williamson, Laura; Cole, Sheryl; Long, Tara
Cc: Arzola, Sylvia; Stoll, Garner; Claxton, Gregory; Guernsey, Greg
Subject: Special Call Meeting of the Comprehensive Planning and Transportation Committee

This meeting has been scheduled for September 10 from 1-3 p.m. in the Boards and Commissions room.

Currently the sole agenda item is the selection of Comprehensive Plan Citizens Advisory Task Force. Please let me know if your Council Member would like additional items or if this date/time will not work out. The September 7 meeting has been cancelled.

Thanks,
Stephanie

Stephanie Lee McDonald
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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 11:37 AM
To: [redacted]; 'Susan Benz'; 'Jeff Thompson'
Cc: 'Lori C-Renteria'; 'Elda Bruciaga'; [redacted] Hilling, Clara; 'Antonio Wehnes'; Guernsey, Greg; [redacted] 'Amy Thompson'; 'Cesar Sylva'; 'Cristina Valdes'; 'John-Michael V. Cortez'; 'Joseph A Martinez'; 'Kathy McWhorter'; 'Ken Johnson'; 'Leah Bojo'; 'Molly O'Halloran'; 'Sabino Renteria'; 'Stephen Shallcross'; Spelman, William; Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: Could we agree on this version // Re: Sound permit mediation
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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You are welcome.

From: Tomas Pantin [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2009 3:08 PM
To: [redacted]; 'Susan Benz'; 'Jeff Thompson'
Cc: 'Lori C-Renteria'; 'Elda Bruciaga'[redacted] Hilling, Clara; 'Antonio Wehnes'; Guernsey, Greg; [redacted]; 'Amy Thompson'; 'Cesar Sylva'; 'Cristina Valdes'; 'John-Michael V. Cortez'; 'Joseph A Martinez'; 'Kathy McWhorter'; 'Ken Johnson'; 'Leah Bojo'; 'Molly O'Halloran'; 'Sabino Renteria'; 'Stephen Shallcross'; Spelman, William; Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE: Could we agree on this version // Re: Sound permit mediation

Thanks !

From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2009 2:53 PM
To: [redacted] Susan Benz; Jeff Thompson
Cc: Lori C-Renteria; 'Elda Bruciaga'; [redacted]; clara.hilling@ci.austin.tx.us; 'Antonio Wehnes'; Greg. Guernsey@Ci. Austin. Tx. Us; [redacted] 'Amy Thompson'; 'Cesar Sylva'; Cristina Valdes; John-Michael V. Cortez; Joseph A Martinez; Kathy McWhorter; 'Ken Johnson'; Leah Bojo; Molly O'Halloran; 'Sabino Renteria'; 'Stephen Shallcross'; 'Bill Spelman'; 'Chris Riley'; 'Laura Morrison'; Lee. Leffingwell@Ci. Austin. Tx. Us; Mike Martinez; 'Randi Shade'; 'Sheryl Cole'
Subject: Re: Could we agree on this version // Re: Sound permit mediation

Good afternoon Tomas. Not sure if you got the letter off but here are my brief and belated proposed revisions as you requested. Of course, you are free to reject them all. My signature is added if all or most of the revisions are accepted. I took into account your draft and Susan's, Lori's, and Mark's feedback. As you recommend, I will reserve my recommendation relating to the ordinance language to another draft. Thanks for the opportunity to contribute to the discussion.

Michael Casias

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 2:25 PM
To: 'Margaret Cooper'; Parham, Candy
Cc: Morrison, Laura; 'Chris Riley'; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Comprehensive Planning City Advisory Committee
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Wow. Thank you. That's great Judge Cooper.

From: Margaret Cooper [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2009 3:05 PM
To: Parham, Candy
Cc: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Comprehensive Planning City Advisory Committee

Councilmember Cole requested that I complete and submit an application for this committee and it is attached.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 3:18 PM
To: Ott, Marc; McDonald, Michael [APD]; Lurie, David; Lumbreras, Bert
Subject: Haven for Hope
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Please check out article in chronicle. Chief McDonald will be visiting with each you about this issue and related issues.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 3:19 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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What are you thinking?

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 3:36 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Subject: RE:
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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I was wondering if we should postpone until after the AG ruling. I will probably say yes.

From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 3:34 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE:

What are you thinking?

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 3:19 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Subject:

What are you thinking?

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl

Sent: Tuesday, September 01, 2009 9:24 AM

To: Ott, Marc

Cc: 'Jo Clifton - RR'; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Leffingwell, Lee; Riley, Chris; Spelman, William; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura

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I have not offered the County to participate in the Comprehensive Plan. I simply have not visited with the City Manager or my collegues in any depth about this. This matter is simply on the County agenda today and I will attend.
Thanks.

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 9:25 PM
To: Shade, Randi; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: ACVB Budget

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Okay. We discussed this some. Basically, I think we should set up some procedure where we take a baby step first and have the Hotel Motel Association make a determination and recommendation about what projects qualify for the Heritage Grant Program by promoting tourism and leave the discretion with HLC. If they don't change and follow at least some of the recommendations we can take more drastic measures.

-----Original Message-----
From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 8:07 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE: ACVB Budget

Thanks and will do.

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2009 9:29 AM
To: Ott, Marc; McDonald, Michael [APD]; Lurie, David; Shaw, Margaret
Subject: FW: Interview request from The Austin Chronicle/Marc Savlov
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They are writing about this the second time in a week.

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From: Marc Savlov [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2009 8:31 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Marc Savlov
Subject: Interview request from The Austin Chronicle/Marc Savlov

Hi Sheryl,

Marc Savlov from the Chronicle here. I'm working on a feature article about Austin's homeless situation and all that that entails, which, as you know, is plenty. I've been talking with Helen Varty at the ARCH, Alan Graham from Mobile Loaves & Fishes and several of his homeless friends, Richard Troxell at the ARCH, and I'm slated to meet with Beth Atherton and Jo Quinn at Caritas and (possibly) Darla Gay at the D.A.'s office.

And, of course, I'd love to steal 15 minutes or so of your time to discuss, briefly and by phone if that's easier for you, the following:

1.) The City's proposed ordinance banning/restricting panhandling in downtown Austin. Hot topic, but I'm having trouble finding the specifics of the proposal, i.e. would panhandling remain an essentially unenforceable Class C misdemeanor crime? What ideas have been floated re: enforcement, Community Court involvement, APD manpower issues, etc.?

2.) Your thoughts on the CoA's recent trip to San Antonio's single-campus "Haven for Hope." Could it work here? Everyone seems to agree, at least on the record, that the ARCH, Caritas, and satellite social outreach groups are tasked with a challenging if not near-impossible mandate to provide Austin's downtown-centric homeless population with core social services. (Personally, I think they're doing a far-above-average job.)

However, the *public perception* that downtown Austin is getting dodgier by the day continues unabated. In particular, as you may have witnessed at the recent Downtown Community Forum at the

Ritz, Sixth Street merchants, club owners, residents, and "entertainment district" stake holders really don't like the ARCH's location and feel that the only solution is to move it out of downtown. (Unlikely.) Living downtown as I do, I know it's true that a large percentage of the panhandlers in and around Sixth Street are cadging cash for crack and booze, not food and shelter. I see it every single day/night.

My question to you is this: how would the ordinance be enforced? I'm unclear on how the City/APD could successfully fine or arrest a drug/alcohol addict who has zero income to begin with. Most of the panhandlers/vagrants I've spoken to just laugh at the idea and say, in so many garbled words, that the City and the APD don't have the resources to enforce a more aggressive ordinance. The feeling on the street is that, at worst, those people who are ticketed/arrested/what-have-you will get a good night's rest and maybe a jail-meal and be back out and doing (sketchy) business as usual within 24 hours.

I realize this is a wretchedly complex and hot-button/NIMBY topic that seems to polarize everyone it touches. I also know I'd be remiss in not approaching you for your thoughts/insights on the above. Especially when you consider the escalating enmity between the at-times abusive and/or intimidating panhandlers/vagrants and the increasingly exasperated Sixth Street merchants, stake holders, and Convention Center/entertainment district visitors. Homelessness is not a crime, nor should it ever be, but "Theft By Intimidation" -- aggressive panhandling -- certainly is.

I'm free to talk *anytime* you are, although I'm trying to get a draft of the article in by Monday morning. Again, if a phone conversation is more amenable to your schedule, that's fine.

Thanks, as always, for your help,

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Long, Tara

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Good job.

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I agree -- we need to move methodically and fairly. See my exchange attached with Patti Hansen of HLC from this week. I am trying to set it up so we have everyone working together.

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Okay. We discussed this some. Basically, I think we should set up some procedure where we take a baby step first and have the Hotel Motel Association make a determination and recommendation about what projects qualify for the Heritage Grant Program by promoting tourism and leave the discretion with HLC. If they don't change and follow at least some of the recommendations we can take more drastic measures.

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To: 'Dave Sullivan'; Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura
Cc: Claxton, Gregory; Stoll, Garner
Subject: RE: CompPlan Citizens Advisory Committee
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Oh don't worry you will be asked to help. We simply have not discussed it yet. We will keep you posted.

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Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2009 11:46 AM
To: Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Claxton, Gregory; Stoll, Garner
Subject: CompPlan Citizens Advisory Committee

Councilmembers

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Cc: Edwards, Sue; Cortinas, Marisa; Van Eenoo, Ed; Browder, Leslie
Subject: RE: Cultural Arts: DRAFT Resolution
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I have the resolution.

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I will make sure with Leslie that it is properly noted on the script. thanks

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From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Friday, September 11, 2009 1:04 PM
To: Sandoval, Marie
Cc: Edwards, Sue; Garza, Rudy; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: RE: Cultural Arts: DRAFT Resolution

I didn't have any changes to what you sent me and appreciated your help with this, but in speaking with Sheryl Cole earlier today, I wondered -- is this and the other resolution related to HOT going to be part of back-up/what Leslie provides to Sheryl to help walk us through the approval process on Monday?

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From: Sandoval, Marie

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2009 9:59 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Cc: Edwards, Sue; Bier, Marti; Coleman, Glen
Subject: Cultural Arts: DRAFT Resolution

Council Member-
Attached are revisions to the cultural arts resolution based on your conversation with Sue. She asked that I forward for your review. Please let me know if any additional changes are required.
Thank you-

Marie Sandoval
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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 9:04 AM
To: Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6); Spelman, William
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Where are you? We started. Bev find him

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 11:31 AM
To: 'Anderson, David'; Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris
Cc: Dave Sullivan; Stoll, Garner; Edwards, Sue
Subject: RE: Planning Commission Subcommittee Motion on Comp Plan
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We vote on the commitee September 24th. I think you guys can just vote or decide which commitee members will monitor the meetings and keep the Planning Commission involved until the Planning Commission fully reviews the Comp Plan. We can put this item up for discussion at our next meeting,. In the meantime I will visit with staff.

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From: Anderson, David [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 11:18 AM
To: Morrison, Laura; Cole, Sheryl; Riley, Chris
Cc: Dave Sullivan; Stoll, Garner
Subject: Planning Commission Subcommittee Motion on Comp Plan
Importance: High

Council Members,

I'm not sure if I'm supposed to email you this directly, or if Staff is responsible for ensuring you have the info. However, I just wanted to let you know that I am the new Chair of the Planning Commission's Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee and on Monday we passed a motion as follows:

The Planning Commission Subcommittee on the Comprehensive Plan moves that our Subcommittee retain the responsibility for helping keep the Comprehensive Plan process focused on addressing the specific elements and major goals listed in the City Charter, and further focus on the promoting the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan through the evaluation of policy and financing strategies. Finally, we move that 2 individuals from the PC Subcommittee be appointed as representatives of our body on the Citizens Advisory Committee, in any capacity that the Council sees fit (full-fledged member, non-voting member, observer, etc.).

Sorry for the delay - I know your meeting is probably going on right now. I just wasn't sure about protocol and the time got away from me.

Thanks!

Dave

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 12:52 PM
To: 'Cory Walton'
Cc: Spelman, William; Morrison, Laura; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Neighborhood Projects Matching Funds
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I welcome the opportunity to speak to ANC and any other neighborhood groups who have questions about this initiative. The City Manager is directed to brief council on development of the program on January 22,2010 . Therefore there is plenty of time for the input you seek. I hope to hear from you soon.

From: Cory Walton [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 10:10 AM
To: Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: Neighborhood Projects Matching Funds

Dear Council Members Cole & Spelman,

I'm pleased with today's announced initiative and resolution to offer matching funds for needed community assets to Austin neighborhoods.

However, without appearing to look a gift horse in the mouth, I would like to cite a few of the questions the proposed resolution raises, as inclusion of Austin's intended recipient neighborhoods appears to be an afterthought. It is difficult to conceive of any urgency that would preclude at least a cursory review of this proposed initiative with neighborhood groups before announcing it to the media.

First of all, how does this program differ from the existing Grants program the City's Parks Department presently administers with neighborhood groups?

To WHAT neighborhood groups would this matching funds program be offered? I ask this because experience has shown that different, often overlapping neighborhood groups in a particular area can have conflicting views on their priorities for where resources should best be directed. Who would make the final allocation decision?

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 11:38 AM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: Sheryl Cole - Pure Energy Systems

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Although I would enjoy meeting with you, these decisions are made by City Management. After you meet with them please let me know any item that comes within my purview.

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-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted] [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 11:16 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Sheryl Cole - Pure Energy Systems

Date/Time Submitted: Friday, 9/18/09, 1116 hours
From: Dale Guthrie
E-mail address: [redacted]
Subject: Pure Energy Systems
Comments:
Council Member Cole,
I am a longtime Austinite and have been involved with environmental issues for the last twenty five years. I am aware of the City of Austin s search for a less expensive alternative for generating electricity.

I represent Pure Energy Systems, Inc.
I would like to set up a meeting to discuss Pure Energy Systems.
This system offers one of those alternatives. The system will help the city's target of zero waste and generate less expensive electricity.

This process converts biomass(MSW)into a clean gas(Syngas), smilar to natural gas. This gas can be used as a clean fuel, or, be used to generate electricity.
I would like your audience(30 minutes) to give an overview of the process.

Thank you,
Dale Guthrie
Pure Energy Systems
512-627-3474
[redacted]

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 3:59 PM
To: 'Cory Walton'
Cc: Spelman, William; Morrison, Laura; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Neighborhood Projects Matching Funds
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Getting on Bill and my calendar together is tough enough but if you add Mark to the mix it will be a really long time. Why don't you get together with me and Bill and we will then direct you to staff as needed.

From: Cory Walton [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2009 3:44 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Spelman, William; Morrison, Laura; McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: RE: Neighborhood Projects Matching Funds

Thank you Council Member Cole.

I'm wondering if, rather than placing you and/or councilmember Spelman before a roomful of ANC members for random question and answer, it might first be more productive if you and Council Member Spelman and City Manager Ott could meet with a few ANC sector representatives and me to respond to some of the questions I posted below.

My thought is that, by better understanding the envisioned scope of this initiative and how it fits within existing neighborhood organizational structures and already committed neighborhood CIPs, neighborhood leaders could provide some helpful input to the City Manager in implementing the program, i.e. identifying potential matched funding projects, along with the needed volunteer and City resources and an allocation system to, "get 'em done."

What do you think?

Rgds.
Cory

--- On **Thu, 9/24/09, Cole, Sheryl** ***<Sheryl.Cole@ci.austin.tx.us>*** wrote:

> From: Cole, Sheryl <Sheryl.Cole@ci.austin.tx.us>
> Subject: RE: Neighborhood Projects Matching Funds
> To: "Cory Walton" <[redacted]>
> Cc: "Spelman, William" <William.Spelman@ci.austin.tx.us>, "Morrison, Laura" <Laura.Morrison@ci.austin.tx.us>, "McDonald, Stephanie" <Stephanie.McDonald@ci.austin.tx.us>
> Date: Thursday, September 24, 2009, 12:51 PM
>
> I welcome the opportunity to speak to ANC and any other neighborhood groups who have questions about this initiative. The City Manager is directed to brief council on development of the program on

January 22,2010 . Therefore there is plenty of time for the input you seek. I hope to hear from you soon.

From: Cory Walton [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2009 10:10 AM
To: Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: Neighborhood Projects Matching Funds

Dear Council Members Cole & Spelman,

I'm pleased with today's announced initiative and resolution to offer matching funds for needed community assets to Austin neighborhoods.

However, without appearing to look a gift horse in the mouth, I would like to cite a few of the questions the proposed resolution raises, as inclusion of Austin's intended recipient neighborhoods appears to be an afterthought. It is difficult to conceive of any urgency that would preclude at least a cursory review of this proposed initiative with neighborhood groups before announcing it to the media.

First of all, how does this program differ from the existing Grants program the City's Parks Department presently administers with neighborhood groups?

To WHAT neighborhood groups would this matching funds program be offered? I ask this because experience has shown that different, often overlapping neighborhood groups in a particular area can have conflicting views on their priorities for where resources should best be directed. Who would make the final allocation decision?

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 5:09 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Cc: Coleman, Glen
Subject: RE: Mayor / Ronald McDonald House
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We are about to spend 1 million. I took Lee today. I will call you.

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From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 12:10 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Fw: Mayor / Ronald McDonald House

Just an fyi.....

Am still at CAN retreat so haven't spoken to anyone. Let me know if/when you speak to Lee.

From: Coleman, Glen
To: Shade, Randi
Sent: Mon Oct 05 10:49:30 2009
Subject: Mayor / Ronald McDonald House

Hi,

Lee saw me and expressed concern about you and Cole and Ronald McDonald House.
"The City has a million dollars in that thing."
I told him I was not informed re Ronald McDonald House but would relay that he wanted to speak to you.

Thanks,

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- glen coleman

Policy Aide, Council Member Randi Shade
Austin City Council Place Three
512 974-1374

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2009 3:05 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: Ronald McDonald House

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Yes, I know and I told Lee.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Ott, Marc
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2009 2:23 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Ronald McDonald House

I'm in Boston right now but, I was thinking about the RMH. I trust you know that there is a related financing matter on the HFC agenda on Thursday.

Marc

Sent from my iPhone

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 2:04 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: City Auditor - Stakeholder and FASD comments.doc
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I thought it was 136,000.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 10:44 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Thank you. I have been asking her for this for two days.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2009 10:38 AM
To: [redacted]'
Cc: 'Chris Riley'
Subject: RE: Submitted from City Council web site - New Bicycle Lanes

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You are welcome. Council Member Riley deserves all the credit for putting cyclist issues on our radar.

-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2009 11:15 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Riley, Chris; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Submitted from City Council web site - New Bicycle Lanes

Date/Time Submitted: 2314 hours
From: Shirene Garcia
E-mail address: [redacted]
Subject: New Bicycle Lanes

Categories: transportation

Comments:
Dear Mayor Leffingwell and Council Members,

I would like to thank you for the new bicycle lanes that I have seen popping up throughout Austin. I have long been appalled at the lack of appropriate bike lanes for the city's cyclists and am happy to see that some action has finally been taken to improve the situation. I hope to see more improvements of this sort in the near future. My particular request is that there be bike boxes in front of cars at main intersections and also that there is more public awareness surrounding sharing the road safely with cyclists.

Thank you,
Shirene Garcia

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2009 11:29 AM
To: Garza, Rudy
Cc: Ott, Marc
Subject: First Tee
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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You and I are being recognized at the First Tee program for the help we gave them on the bridge and Pals program. I will make sure to confess you did all the work. I know you are out of town.

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2009 5:54 PM
To: McDonald, Michael [APD]
Cc: Ott, Marc
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Where are we on fire contract? Let's talk about the fire/ems consolidation issue before audit committee meeting.

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 1:23 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: FW: 21c/Waller Creek
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Flag Status: Red

FYI

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From: Perry Lorenz [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 10:53 AM
To: McDonald, Stephanie
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Long, Tara; [redacted]
Subject: RE: 21c/Waller Creek

Thanks Stephanie. It looks like Thursday Nov 12 at 3:00pm works best for us. See you then at city Hall. Thanks again.--Perry

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512-478-8837 Fax

From: McDonald, Stephanie [Stephanie.McDonald@ci.austin.tx.us]
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 9:29 AM
To: Perry Lorenz
Cc: Cole, Sheryl; Long, Tara
Subject: RE: 21c/Waller Creek

It looks like Sheryl has time on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 3 pm and again on Friday, Nov 13 at 10:30 am. Will either of these dates work for you and Mr. Knight? Thanks! slm

Stephanie Lee McDonald
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512.974.2266 main

From: Perry Lorenz [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 5:18 PM
To: McDonald, Stephanie
Subject: FW: 21c/Waller Creek

From: Perry Lorenz
Sent: Saturday, October 31, 2009 5:14 PM
To: sheryl.cole@ci.austin.tx.us
Cc: Stepanie.McDonald@ci.austin.tx.us
Subject: 21c/Waller Creek

Sheryl,

Steve Poe, the developer of the 21c Hotel planned for the southeast corner of Cesar Chavez and Red River, was in town last week. He, Robert Knight and I met with Roma and several city staff to see how the proposed hotel is going to mesh with the plan Roma is putting together for the Waller Creek District. There are several areas of significant agreement, particularly the notion that the public can freely come and go through the site. It was clear that Poe has no problem allowing two places where trail users can get to the creek and trail through his property. He also made it clear that he expects to spend significant dollars all along his property where it fronts the creek...and this is a lot of creek frontage. There is one design element, however, where I think there is a possibility of a serious disconnect between the parties and I think it is important that we deal with it early on. I would like to come see you and bring Robert Knight with me to go over a few things and get your input and ideas. Robert has had the most interaction with Poe and is the one who made the deal for the Hotel to move to this better site. He brokered the deal. If you can give us a couple of alternative times when we might meet , we will make one of them work. Any time this coming week or the following is fine.

Additionally, Conde Nast magazine just declared 21c to be the Number One Hotel in the US and the Number Six Hotel in the world. That is a big deal in my mind. Here is a link to their site so you can see this for yourself. Pleases have a look.

http://www.concierge.com/tools/travelawards/readerschoice/top100

Thanks for all you are doing for Waller Creek. I am confident we can work out this issue if we brainstorm and talk it through.

Perry

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:36 AM
To: McDonald, Michael [APD]; Ott, Marc; 'Chris Riley'
Subject: Miami trip to see Homeless Shelter
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Council Member Riley would like to join us on our trip. Please keep us informed on dates.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2009 2:39 PM
To: Ott, Marc; McDonald, Michael [APD]; Leffingwell, Lee
Cc: Long, Tara
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Mayor Leffingwell and I will be visiting the Haven for Hope facility in San Antonio along with some County officials. Marc please let Tara know if you and/or Mike would like to attend. Tara please try to get a date in January after the holidays.

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2009 12:54 PM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; McDonald, Stephanie[redacted]
Cc: Garza, Bobby; Moore, Andrew; Williamson, Laura
Subject: RE: Mike Martinez - east 11th street

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Absolutely let's work on this together.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2009 11:46 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl; McDonald, Stephanie
Cc: Garza, Bobby; Moore, Andrew; Williamson, Laura
Subject: FW: Mike Martinez - east 11th street

CM Cole,

Just seeing if you received this email and would like to try to do something for the ARA area this year.

Let me know,
Mike

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Martinez
310 W. 2nd Street
Austin, Texas
512.974.2264

-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2009 11:14 AM
To: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: Mike Martinez - east 11th street

Date/Time Submitted: Wednesday, 10/28/09, 1113 hours
From: amy ramirez
E-mail address: [redacted]
Subject: east 11th street
Comments:
Dear Councilman Martinez,

I am writing to you to inquire about the possibility of the city decorating the east 11th street revitalization area for the holiday season. My husband and I own the Blue Dahlia Bistro at 1115 E 11th St. and have been pleased to watch this area grow with the help of the City of Austin.
We are planning to host a few fundraisers here at the Bistro towards the end of December for local non-profits. And there are other events our neighbor businesses are having as well. It would be so beneficial to the street and the beautification of the East End to

have some sort of holiday decor.
Any assistance would be so greatly appreciated!!!
Feel free to contact me at 542.9542!
Thank you for your time,
Amy Ramirez

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 10:28 AM
To: 'Ron Davis'; Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee; Ott, Marc; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi
Cc: Cheryl Brown; Chris Fanuel; Margaret Gomez; Edith Moreida; Feli Chavez; Garry Brown; Intern-PCT2; Joe Gieselman; Joe Hon; Josie Zavala; Karen Huber; Karen Sanchez; Kelly Darby; Kiley Batjer; Loretta Farb; Melissa Velasquez; Michael Nalick; Nicole Decatur; Norma Guerra; Peter Einhorn; Sam Biscoe; Sarah Eckhardt
Subject: RE: City of Austin Comprehensive Plan - task force meetings
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Commissioner Davis I apologize for any confusion but our city ordinance does not allow proxy votes from any commission or committee members. To do so would require a resolution changing our ordinance. I learned about this issue last night and we are in Council meeting today. I simply need an opportunity to discuss this matter with the Commissioners and the other City Council members.

From: Ron Davis [mailto:Ron.Davis@co.travis.tx.us]
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 10:18 AM
To: Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee; Ott, Marc; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Cheryl Brown; Chris Fanuel; Margaret Gomez; Edith Moreida; Feli Chavez; Garry Brown; Intern-PCT2; Joe Gieselman; Joe Hon; Josie Zavala; Karen Huber; Karen Sanchez; Kelly Darby; Kiley Batjer; Loretta Farb; Melissa Velasquez; Michael Nalick; Nicole Decatur; Norma Guerra; Peter Einhorn; Ron Davis; Sam Biscoe; Sarah Eckhardt; Sue Spears; [redacted]
Subject: Fwd: City of Austin Comprehensive Plan - task force meetings

Mr. Marc Ott and City Council Members, I have been informed by email (see attached email) that our alternates can not sit at the table along with the delegates. Mrs. Judy Holden (alternate) was representing Mr. Jack Gullahorn and I feel that an alternate has the same privileges as the delegate. I am very disappointed in this process and to hear this from my alternate, Mrs. Judy Holden. Sincerely, Comr. Ron Davis.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, November 05, 2009 11:53 AM
To: Leffingwell, Lee
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Do you have an amendment?

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
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Great Job today. I am sorry I had to cut out on you.

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 9:22 AM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: FW: back at my desk
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Let's talk about this. We need to brainstorm.

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From: Katherine Gregor [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 4:01 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: back at my desk

If you have a minute to call me about the comp plan - they need you!

Katherine Gregor

Staff Writer, Austin Chronicle
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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 1:27 PM
To: Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris; 'Gayle Reaume '; 'Barchas, Isaac D'; [redacted]; Shade, Randi; 'Bohn, Bart'
Cc: 'Lundquist, Shannon K'; Parkerson, Matt; Rush, Barbara; McCormick, Dusty; Corpus, Grace; McDonald, Stephanie; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Subject: RE: Getting together re: tech entrepreneurship in disadvantaged communities
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Count me in also.

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From: Morrison, Laura
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 10:30 AM
To: Riley, Chris; 'Gayle Reaume '; 'Barchas, Isaac D'; c[redacted]; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl; 'Bohn, Bart'
Cc: 'Lundquist, Shannon K'; Parkerson, Matt; Rush, Barbara; McCormick, Dusty; Corpus, Grace
Subject: RE: Getting together re: tech entrepreneurship in disadvantaged communities

Isaac and All,

I would be delighted to work on this with you so please count me in.

We had a great meeting yesterday with reps from the Capital City, Hispanic and Asian American Chambers for an introduction to ATI with some good planned, follow-on actions to promote more engagement in the emerging tech arena. Coordination on this front and through our Emerging Tech Committee would be fruitful I think.

Laura

PS I've cc'd Dusty McCormick on city staff, working with minority chambers, as well as Barb Rush and Grace Corpus in my office.

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From: Chris Riley [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 11:24 PM
To: 'Gayle Reaume '; 'Barchas, Isaac D'; [redacted]; Morrison, Laura; Shade, Randi; 'Chris Riley'; Cole, Sheryl; 'Bohn, Bart'

Cc: 'Lundquist, Shannon K'; Parkerson, Matt
Subject: RE: Getting together re: tech entrepreneurship in disadvantaged communities

I'm in too. I'm cc'ing Matt in my office so he can help with scheduling. Looking forward to visiting about this –

Chris Riley
Austin City Council, Place 1
(512) 974-2260

From: Gayle Reaume [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 10:56 PM
To: 'Barchas, Isaac D'; [redacted]; 'Morrison, Laura'; 'Randi Shade'; 'Chris Riley'; sheryl.cole@ci.austin.tx.us; 'Bohn, Bart'
Cc: 'Lundquist, Shannon K'
Subject: RE: Getting together re: tech entrepreneurship in disadvantaged communities

Thank you Isaac for getting this started. I look forward to the opportunity to get together with everyone and brainstorm a solution for reaching out to more communities. Here's a bit more about what we are up to:

The Money Academy provides experiences for young people that explore the workings of money. Creating a business provides a vivid and personal view of this. In our weeklong Entrepreneur Camp, the kids come together and bootstrap a company in just 5 days, creating a real product, selling it and then keeping the profits. (watch amazing video about the camp: http://themoneyacademy.net/money-academy-news-and-events.html)

Through this experience they gain a deep understanding of business and personal finance, and develop their skills in leadership, teamwork and integrity. This gives them confidence in pursuing and accomplishing their goals

More than 300 kids, ages 8 – 18, participated in our camps last year and we expect to double that number in 2010. The format of our camp can be delivered in many different settings and I look forward to expanding it to more diverse communities.

Good meeting times for me next week are Wed., Thurs. or Friday mornings. Looking forward to meeting everyone and getting something going that will make the difference that we are all committed to.

Thank you again Isaac, for the introductions.

Gayle Reaume
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From: Barchas, Isaac D [mailto:ibarchas@ati.utexas.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 5:25 PM
To: Gayle Reaume ; [redacted]; Morrison, Laura; Randi Shade; Chris Riley [redacted]); sheryl.cole@ci.austin.tx.us; Bohn, Bart
Cc: Lundquist, Shannon K
Subject: Getting together re: tech entrepreneurship in disadvantaged communities

This has been percolating for a long time, and it's such a good concept that I think it would be best to get the interested parties together before it gets bitter:

The idea: entrepreneurs create most new jobs. In Austin, we have a fantastic support ecosystem for entrepreneurship in general and tech entrepreneurship in particular, so we should be set ... but so far we have not extended the "how to be an entrepreneur/tech entrepreneur" knowledge into our disadvantaged communities as much as we might have done, especially to the young people in those communities. If we could figure out how to do this, and role it out, there might be a real payoff!

The players:

Gayle is CEO of The Money Academy, a start-up focused on teaching money-management and entrepreneurship basics to primary- and secondary-school students.

Charles is President of Austin Opportunity Alliance, a Rotary Club project, which for the past 27 years has run a successful entrepreneurship "Winter Camp" for high school students.

Bart is a director at ATI, and runs the "3 Day Startup" initiative for us where college students spend an intense weekend building real tech businesses.

Laura, Randi, Chris, and Sheryl have put their hands up as public figures interested in making something like this work.

I am sure that there are others we should bring into the mix. But for now, I would suggest that a subset of this "to" list get together and determine whether this idea has legs and if so what it might look like.

Please let me know your interest. If I get critical mass, I will start the logistics on a meeting.

Thanks,

--Isaac

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Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2009 10:43 AM
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Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Affordable Housing Opportunity
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Many, many thanks and all the best, Harris.

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Thank you,

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2009 11:15 AM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: Number 5 Today
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I thought you were suggesting 500k for outreach?

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2009 10:47 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Number 5 Today

Just an FYI…I am going to suggest that we approve the $3 million for toilet rebates but ask that the other money not be spent until we see a more detailed outreach plan. Lee and Marc O and even Rudy are good with that….there is no urgency to approve the three FTE's, and frankly, I think the whole thing needs to be thought through better than it has been so far. Plus the $500K set aside for programs to be determined after the Task Force makes its rec's should also be factored in with respect to how the "outreach money" gets spent.

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Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2009 5:07 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: ads in non-minority media aren't happening either.....
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We sold out of solar rebates of about 4 million in 1 hour. All the literature makes clear that the public awareness on environmental issues is overwhelmingly lacking in the minority community. I just think we need spend the dollars where the problem exists and not just resort to the same on players/nonprofits with no track record in making a difference on this issue.

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 1:20 PM
To: 'Harris Block'; Shade, Randi
Cc: [redacted]'
Subject: RE: Affordable Housing Opportunity
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I also look forward to meeting with you.

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 12:16 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Shade, Randi
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Affordable Housing Opportunity

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I am available at your convenience.

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 12:15 PM
To: 'Randi Shade'
Subject: RE:
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I am sorry I missed the event. I will work on getting to know Dr. George.

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From: Randi Shade [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2009 8:22 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject:

Hi Sheryl,

I attended a luncheon today to hear more about UT Southwestern/Seton partnership -- lots of big wigs there from Greater Austin Chamber and UT System, but I was blown away by the pediatric neurosurgeon they featured: http://www.dellchildrens.net/find_a_physician/george/timothy His wife was in the audience. I didn't get to meet her, but they have to be the most incredible African American 30/40 something year-old couple in town -- besides you and Kevin, of course:-) Seton recruited Dr. George from North Carolina in 2006, and he's a major part of what they're building at Dell Children's. You should know them and they should know y'all.....

-Randi

P.S. Speaking of medical school stuff...I need to circle back with the Merediths to get a date on calendar for that brainstorming session we discussed with Greg Hartman. Tom definitely seemed interested. I sent him and his son Will a whole bunch of info on Waller plans a couple of weeks ago and also promised Will that I'd arrange for us to tour the MLK TOD park with him and Sara Hensley...will get on both of those things asap:-)

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Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 1:46 PM
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Subject: RE: Update #3 - Austin's African American Resource Center
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Michael,

I am pleased that members of various African American organizations are meeting to discuss a positive endeavor for our community. Unfortunately, I am scheduled to be out of town on January 21st. If, however you would like to meet with me on another date or possibly with a smaller group, please contact Beverly Wilson.

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From: Michael Lofton [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2009 2:20 AM
To: Snipes, Anthony
Cc: [redacted]; [redacted]; [redacted]; [redacted]; Kevin M. Foster; freddie.dixon@mail.utexas.edu; dawnna.dukes@house.state.tx.us; Cole, Sheryl; Ott, Marc; Sam.Biscoe@co.travis.tx.us; Exalton Delco; Rev. Joseph C. Parker Jr.; Chiquita W. Eugene; Stacy Rhone; [redacted]; [redacted]; gvincent@mail.utexas.edu; [redacted]
Subject: RE: Update #3 - Austin's African American Resource Center

Thanks Mr. Snipes,

The City of Austin support has been outstanding to say the least and The AAMB Harvest Foundation, would not have be able to have had the impact we have had, had it not been for the City of Austin. In addition, I do plan to set up a meeting with Travis County as well as The University of Texas as a result of our meeting today. I will keep everyone abreast of their input as well. I look forward to our meeting on Jan. 21st, when we can all come to the table and explore all options. I look forward to your input, once you have had a chance to review the questions with Mr. Ott and City Staff on the inventory of possible land and or facility options.

Once again, your support as well as The City of Austin is very much appreciated. In closing, there is no doubt that once this project is up and running and we begin to really address the ills in the African

American Community, we would have accomplished a community model that will be used across the United States. This endeavor will be the one of the greatest African American Investments Austin has ever seen, and will have not only a detrimental effect as Capacity Building Incubator to our AA Non Profits, but will save lives, create young community leaders, entrepreneurs and not to mention the impact it will have on turning around our youth academically. Losing 45 to 50% of our kids in AISD is a CRISIS. We have created bandaids for years here in Austin, when it comes to addressing African American Issues, and now is the time for us to put a real solution in place, that we can pass on from generation to generation.

God Bless All of You For Your Support of This Effort to Save The Lives of Many of our Youth

Thanks
Michael Lofton
585-6696

--- On **Wed, 12/2/09, Snipes, Anthony** ***<Anthony.Snipes@ci.austin.tx.us>*** wrote:

From: Snipes, Anthony <Anthony.Snipes@ci.austin.tx.us>
Subject: RE: Update #2 - Austin's African American Resource Center
To: "Michael Lofton" <[redacted]>
Cc: [redacted], [redacted], [redacted], "Kevin M. Foster" <kmfoster@mail.utexas.edu>, freddie.dixon@mail.utexas.edu, dawnna.dukes@house.state.tx.us, "Cole, Sheryl" <Sheryl.Cole@ci.austin.tx.us>, "Ott, Marc" <Marc.Ott@ci.austin.tx.us>, "Sam.Biscoe@co.travis.tx.us" <sam.biscoe@co.travis.tx.us>, "Exalton Delco" <[redacted]>, "Rev. Joseph C. Parker Jr." <[redacted]>, "Chiquita W. Eugene" <[redacted]>, "Stacy Rhone" [redacted]>, [redacted], [redacted], gvincent@mail.utexas.edu
Date: Wednesday, December 2, 2009, 1:56 PM

Thanks Michael!

As stated in our meeting on today, a number of other partners (Travis County, UT, etc) may be able to provide you with available options or recommendations regarding land and facilities. As you know, the City of Austin has been very financially supportive of the African American Men and Boys Conference in past years. While everyone is exploring options regarding your program, please do not forget about facilities like the Carver and Millennium for upcoming conferences and events. As you know, the City of Austin owns both.

I will review your questions with the City Manager and provide you with appropriate responses. Thanks.

From: Michael Lofton [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, December 02, 2009 1:18 PM
To: Snipes, Anthony
Cc: [redacted]; [redacted]; [redacted]; Kevin M. Foster; freddie.dixon@mail.utexas.edu; dawnna.dukes@house.state.tx.us; Cole, Sheryl; Ott, Marc; Snipes, Anthony; Sam.Biscoe@co.travis.tx.us; Exalton Delco; Rev. Joseph C. Parker Jr.; Chiquita W. Eugene; Stacy Rhone; [redacted]; [redacted]; gvincent@mail.utexas.edu; [redacted]
Subject: Re: Update #2 - Austin's African American Resource Center

Greetings To All,

I just wanted to send a brief update to everyone that I had a great meeting this morning with Mr. Anthony Snipes, Chief of Staff for City Manager, Mr. Marc Ott. Mr. Snipes, first and foremost, many thanks and I really enjoyed the meeting this morning. Below is a list of questions I presented to Mr. Snipes, and he is planning to sit down with Mr. Ott, and he will get us a response. In addition, he is going to get with city staff to identify land owned by the City of Austin and get this list back to us. Once we hear from Mr. Ott, then we can move forward. In closing, once all is said and done, our proposal will require full "Council Approval".

Mr. Anthony Snipes

Once Again, thankyou for meeting with me on specific questions relating to the proposed facility development: Austin's African American Resource Center

- What are the City of Austin's current thoughts related to this proposed Resource Center?
- Does the City of Austin support the need for this development?
- Can you provide an inventory of City owned raw land that could be considered for this proposal?
- Does the City of Austin have a facility currently available that would support this initiative?
- Can you all provide a model of some sort from previous City's as it relates to a Non Profit Resource Center for African American's
- Will the City of Austin support this effort, should the Community decide to go to our Congressman for Federal Support
- Would the City of Austin be willing to partner with Travis County, if they have land and or a building that would support this initiative?
- Would you be willing to come to the meeting on January 21st, to speak to the community about the City of Austin Position on this proposal?
- Can you all lend staff support in the creation of the proposal for this development?
- Would the City of Austin be willing to assist with the funding for proposal development?
- Can you provide a list of similar proposals that the City of Austin has awarded 50 to 100 year leases to non profits?
- Would you be willing to meet with the Non Profits Executive Directors sometime in January prior to the meeting on January 21st?

The Non Profits are as follows:

The African American Men and Boys Harvest Foundation, the Capital City African American

Chamber of Commerce

The Austin Area Urban League, the Austin Chapter NAACP, B.I.G. Austin: Business Investment in Growth

--- On **Tue, 12/1/09, Michael Lofton** <[redacted]> wrote:

From: Michael Lofton <[redacted]>
Subject: Update #1 - Austin's African American Resource Center
To: "Chiquita W. Eugene" <[redacted]>, "Stacy Rhone" <[redacted]>, [redacted], [redacted], gvincent@mail.utexas.edu, [redacted]
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Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2009, 12:34 PM

Greetings To All,
I just wanted to send a brief follow up to let everyone know that I have personally talked to the following Organizations and Individuals:
Austin Area Urban League - Mr. Jeffery Richards
Capitol City African American Chamber of Commerce - Dr. Chiquita Watts Eugene
B.I.G. Austin - Mrs. Stacy Dukes-Rhone
Austin Chapter NAACP - Mr. Nelson Linder
Executive Board Members of The African American Men and Boys Harvest Foundation
University of Texas - Division of Diversity and Community Engagement - V.P. Dr. Gregory Vincent
We all agree this would be a great strategic move for the community.
In addition, I have spoken with the following Elected Officials, and they have agreed to try and come to the meeting on Jan. 21st and provide input as we move forward on this initiative.
Council Member Sheryl Cole
State Rep. Dawnna Dukes
Former State Rep. - Mrs. Delco
Travis County Judge Sam Biscoe
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Pastor Joseph Parker
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Specific Request to City of Austin / Travis County: Is it possible to bring a list of land

or properties that can considered for this venture?
I have an abbreviated list of ventures whereas, the City of Austin has provided land use for 50 to 100 years to other non profits.
I would like to ask at this time that everyone, be prepared to bring all of their input and or concerns as we move forward so we can get the ball rolling on Jan. 21st, 2010, and have a meaningful discussion.
Dr. Vincent has indicated that he will look at other models on how this has worked as well.
If anyone has any input please feel free to chime in so that we have a productive meeting.
Also, this is a reminder, that we are having a Christmas Celebration at the Millennium Youth Entertainment Center on Thursday, December 17Th, 2009 from 8 PM to Midnight. This will be a free event for the Men and Women that have volunteered for the past 3.5 years at The AAMB Conferences, Volunteered over 30,000 hours, and have delivered over 650 workshops. We will salute the Volunteers, Facilitators and supporters. This will be the first time we have done this, and refreshments will be provided. This is a BYOB, the foundation will not buy any liquor. We will have a live DJ, and this event will be for the spouses as well.
I would like to know if any of you would like to speak at 9:00 PM to our volunteers. So far we have Judge Sam Biscoe and Dr. Vincent and a Representative from our Executive Board Speaking. Your immediate staff is invited as well.
Please confirm that you will be coming on December 17th.
Thanks,
Michael Lofton
585-6696

Original Letter From Michael Lofton

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Over that past 3 months, I have met with numerous public officials, community leaders and individuals related to need of establishing an African American Community Resource Center. To this date, there is not one active and viable African American nonprofit corporation that owns its own facility. I would like to propose the AAMB Harvest Foundation, The Austin NAACP, The Austin Area Urban League and the African American Chamber of Commerce join hands in forming a collaborative agreement to seek establishing an African American Resources Center to address the many needs in the community.
In moving forward we will need support from our Elected Officials, community stakeholders, churches and resource organizations along with The City of Austin, Travis County, State of Texas, University of Texas Systems and UT Austin. The proposal is to come together to look at ways to obtain a facility to support the needs of The African American Community here in Austin, Central Texas and to lead the way for collaboration and cooperation of African American organizations across the state.
There are several options to consider based upon major public ownership of East Austin property by the city, county, state and the University of Texas. Historically many of these properties are underutilized, vacant, contribute to blighted conditions and provide unique opportunities for conversion to meet the needs of The African American Community. I am proposing we review, identify and inventory existing properties and raw land owned by these various public entities. We need to explore all options, including obtaining a 50-to-100 year lease agreement, direct ownership or acquire the use of the land as collateral to construct a 40,000-to-50,000 square foot facility as a Resource Center for The African American Community.
This facility could house numerous African American nonprofit corporations to provide

services to the African American Community along with space set aside for the City of Austin, Travis County and other public institutions to provide much needed services to the community. Naturally, these services would extend to the entire Austin and Central Texas community; yet, the cooperation and leadership of the various African-American organizations would help in the recruitment and participation of the targeted population. It is time we have a facility to pass on to the next generation. AAMBHF and the Michael Lofton Talk Show has hosted over 36 conferences, facilitated more than 650 workshops and received 18,000 plus inputs from the African American Community that indicate the need of a resource center to address the many issues and problems of African Americans in the Austin and Central Texas.

The statistical reality of the African American population is: 1) the poorest academic performance in schools; 2) consistently high dropout rates; high incarceration rates of youth, young adults and adults; 3) consistently highest level of unemployment, with the youth unemployment reaching over 20 percent; and, 4) historical poor family health, leading to higher than normal deaths. While these four areas are leading indicators of deep rooted problems in the community, they are only a reflection of the many issues and challenges facing the community as a whole.

Here are a few examples of services that the proposed center could offer:

Parenting Workshops
College Readiness Workshops
Employment Training,
Science, Math and General Tutoring
Mentoring Recruitment Center
Youth Events
Banquets and Conferences local and statewide
Girls and Women Leadership Center
Health and Human Services
Re-Entry Programs
Youth Leadership Academy
Community Meetings
Entrepreneur Workshops for Youth
City Wide Intensive Group Mentoring Program / Workshops For our Boys and Girls

In closing, it is time to come together, pool all given and known resources and utilize every individual and organizations, nonprofit corporations along with city, county and state governmental agency to establish an African American Center. We all know the issues and the statistics; I can only pray that we can come together with a pro-active agenda and mission to save our kids. We need a one stop community center that provides all the resources to enable every African American to become productive citizens. This generation has the opportunity to leave a foundation of resources that can impact lives for years to come. The AAMB Harvest Foundation encounters hundreds of parents and students asking where they can go for a particular resource. Let's resolve the issues that are affecting our youth, cultural connectivity is vital to the sustainability of the generation coming up behind us.

Last but not least, I need your comments, thoughts and inputs as well as a written letter of support, and also how can you assist in the planning of this process as we move forward, even if it is just being a member on the committee.

I am proposing the following date, time and location for this kick-off meeting:

Location: Marvin C. Griffin Office Building at 1009 East 11Th Street, 1st floor Conference Room

Date: Thursday, January 21st, 2010
Time: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Please let us know if you can attend and refreshments will be served.
Prayerfully Submitted,
Michael Lofton
10119 Willfield Drive
Austin Texas 78753
(512) 585-6696
Email: [redacted]

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Friday, December 04, 2009 12:16 PM
To: Morrison, Laura
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Congratulations granny!

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2009 11:29 AM
To: Spillar, Rob; Goode, Robert
Cc: Ott, Marc
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Great job. Tell us. Tell us and tell us again.

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 1:06 PM
To: 'Katherine Gregor'
Cc: Long, Tara; Ott, Marc
Subject: RE: Comprehensive Plan
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Mark Ott and I visited extensively about the comprehensive plan. Let's wait to the first week in January to get together.

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From: Katherine Gregor [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2009 10:24 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Comprehensive Plan

Hi Sheryl - I will be working up a story on the comprehensive plan for January, so I would like to find a time to visit with you more about it.

What is your availability between now and New Year's, if any? Or if it makes more sense, the first week in January.

This morning the local CNU chapter policy committee met. They have a group that is focusing on the comprehensive plan, and on bringing a strong 'urbanist' voice to the process that is different from the ANC and no-growth voices. They are also a member of the Austin Urban Coalition. They were wondering how to work effectively with council, to encourage all members to be active champions for the comprehensive plan's success, and hear their POV. Working group chair: Greg Bourgeois, [redacted]

Cheers, Katherine

Katherine Gregor

Staff Writer, Austin Chronicle
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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 9:59 AM
To: '[redacted]'
Cc: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris; Spelman, William
Subject: FW: Submitted from City Council web site - Public Consumption of Alcohol ban

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Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 9:56 AM
To: '[redacted]
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Subject: RE: Submitted from City Council web site - Public Consumption of Alcohol ban

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To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: FW: Submitted from City Council web site - Public Consumption of Alcohol ban

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From: [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, December 08, 2009 2:46 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Riley, Chris; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Submitted from City Council web site - Public Consumption of Alcohol ban

Date/Time Submitted: 1445 hours
From: Bo McCarver
E-mail address: [redacted]
Subject: Public Consumption of Alcohol ban

Categories: public_safety

Comments:
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Whereas, such action demonstrates continuing discrimination against East Austin residents:

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2009 9:58 AM
To: 'Bo McCarver'
Cc: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris; Spelman, William; daniel llanes; Jane Rivera; Jim Retherford; Michael Emery; Mercedes Lynn de Uriarte; Dan Heinzen; Tanya Winters; Bill Holloway; Laura Morrison; Jolene Kiolbassa; john Limon; Tomas Pantin; PODER; Sewah J Archer; Ora Houston; marianj.barber@mail.utexas.edu; Lori C-Renteria; Johnnie Overton; Jeff Thompson; Jack Josey Newman; Andrew Bucknall; Courtney Enriquez; Karen Paup; graypanthers; GNDC Rogers; Stephanie Tsen; Rudy Williams; Thomas Marsh; Santo Ruiz; Girard Kinney; Scooter Cheatham; Danette Chimenti; [redacted]; Lou Ohanlon; Doug Marcis; Mahoney Law; Alan Hampton; Corinne Carson; nine francois; Doug Boyer; Gilberto Rivera; leah bojo; Tracy Witte; William Minor; Lupe Sosa; Justin Irving; lauren bennett; [redacted]; Gibbs, Carol; Jim Eastburn; Joan Bartz; [redacted]; Sarah Searcy; Steven Aleman; Steve Speir; jerry perkins; [redacted]; Cory Walton; Tiffany Nuckols
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I am moving my calendar around as we speak to be there.

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From: Bo McCarver [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2009 5:35 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Riley, Chris; Spelman, William; daniel llanes; Jane Rivera; Jim Retherford; Michael Emery; Mercedes Lynn de Uriarte; Dan Heinzen; Tanya Winters; Bill Holloway; Laura Morrison; Jolene Kiolbassa; john Limon; Tomas Pantin; PODER; Sewah J Archer; Ora Houston; marianj.barber@mail.utexas.edu; Lori C-Renteria; Johnnie Overton; Jeff Thompson; Jack Josey Newman; Andrew Bucknall; Courtney Enriquez; Karen Paup; graypanthers; GNDC Rogers; Stephanie Tsen; Rudy Williams; Thomas Marsh; Santo Ruiz; Girard Kinney; Scooter Cheatham; Danette Chimenti; [redacted]; Lou Ohanlon; Doug Marcis; Mahoney Law; Alan Hampton; Corinne Carson; nine francois; Doug Boyer; Gilberto Rivera; leah bojo; Tracy Witte; William Minor; Lupe Sosa; Justin Irving; lauren bennett; [redacted]; Gibbs, Carol; Jim Eastburn; Joan Bartz; [redacted]; Sarah Searcy; Steven Aleman; Steve Speir; jerry perkins; [redacted] Cory Walton; Tiffany Nuckols
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Councilmember Cole,

Thank you for your offer, we will be glad to hear your views on the extension of the Public Alcohol Ban.

As you know, ANC-East meets 2nd Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m., at Mi Madres (south dinning area) on Manor Road. (Jan. 12th is the next meeting.) I will put the item early on the agenda and you can briefly present your position; then take whatever questions and discussion follows, hopefully within 20 minutes or less. Presently we read in the city ordinances that a person may have an open container within 150 feet of their home or can have an open container within 150 feet of a friend's house to which they have been invited. It would be helpful if you could confirm or interpret that clause which means we derelicts on the East

Side will still be allowed to sip beers with neighbors on our own blocks -- or with friends on theirs. If we cannot, we may need to emulate the behavior of UT sports fans and start tailgating -- but on the West Side of I-35.

Please know that we strongly believe the extension of the ban is patently discriminatory and wonder why it is not extended citywide -- or not at all?

All councilmembers are welcome to come to these facilitated discussions that usually center on issues of gentrification, disproportionate impacts of taxation and various public policies that institutionalize racism.

We usually have about 15 participating neighborhoods and only pass resolutions when there is complete consensus.

Happy Holidays to All,

Bo McCarver

On Dec 14, 2009, at 9:59 AM, Cole, Sheryl wrote:

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Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, December 28, 2009 3:29 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: FW: Response to Ben Wear's 12/14 Column for CAMPO Board

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Take care of my friend at all cost. I know she loved it.

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From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Monday, December 28, 2009 3:18 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Re: FW: Response to Ben Wear's 12/14 Column for CAMPO Board

Hi and hope all is well with y'all.

We may have killed poor Karen on our Christmas trip.... We're in van heading back to Austin now. She has been such a trooper and help --- what a saint!! But these last few hours on the road have been rough --- 180 miles left to go:-). Wish us luck!

----- Original Message -----
From: Cole, Sheryl
To: 'Sam Biscoe' <Sam.Biscoe@co.travis.tx.us>; [redacted] <[redacted]>; [redacted] [redacted]>; Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Spelman, William; Margaret Gomez <commissioner.gomez@co.travis.tx.us>; Karen Huber <Karen.Huber@co.travis.tx.us>; Ron Davis <Ron.Davis@co.travis.tx.us>; Sarah Eckhardt <Sarah.Eckhardt@co.travis.tx.us>; 007-CAMPO TPB [redacted]>; Mike Heiligenstein [redacted]>; Henry Gilmore [redacted]>; Julia Pearson [redacted]>; Nikelle S. Meade [redacted]; Helen Knoll [redacted]; Ray A. Wilkerson [redacted]>; David Singleton [redacted]
Cc: Cantalupo, Joe
Sent: Mon Dec 28 15:12:26 2009
Subject: RE: FW: Response to Ben Wear's 12/14 Column for CAMPO Board

Thank you Mike. We get it.

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From: Sam Biscoe [mailto:Sam.Biscoe@co.travis.tx.us]
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2009 3:58 PM
To: [redacted] [redacted]; Riley, Chris; Morrison, Laura; Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Cole, Sheryl; Spelman, William; Margaret Gomez; Karen Huber; Ron Davis; Sarah Eckhardt; 007-CAMPO TPB; Mike Heiligenstein; Henry

Gilmore; Julia Pearson; Nikelle S. Meade; Helen Knoll; Ray A. Wilkerson; David Singleton
Cc: Cantalupo, Joe
Subject: Re: FW: Response to Ben Wear's 12/14 Column for CAMPO Board

Thank you.

>>> "Mike Heiligenstein" [redacted]> 12/21/2009 3:02 PM >>>

In Ben Wear's Austin American-Statesman's December 14 Getting There column titled 'Urban rail' talk: Question looms of who will pay for operating costs, he wrote:

"Spillar, in his presentation to the council, offered four alternative rail operators: Capital Metro, the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, the Lone Star Rail District or an as-yet-created nonprofit.
The problem is that Capital Metro, famously, has no extra money, the Lone Star district - which hopes one day to build commuter rail from Georgetown to San Antonio - has negligible taxing authority and the mobility authority, while authorized to handle rail, has shown no enthusiasm for using its toll road profit to subsidize a money-losing line."

The columnist did not contact us about this column nor has the Mobility Authority ever taken such a position. We recognize and have repeatedly stated that the solution to our region's transportation crisis lies in a multi-modal approach of roads, transit including bus rapid transit, pedestrian and bicycle trails and pathways, and rail. I personally feel like once the feasibility work is completed, and we have conducted a "Decision Tree" analysis of the projects under consideration, then we can discuss what development and operational approach that should be taken. As I am sure all of you realize, much depends upon the ongoing financing resources that could be applied to the project to make it sustainable over the long term.

I wanted to make sure you were aware of our position and did not construe the paper's statements as ours, or something that could have been inferred from discussions with the RMA. Please let me know if I can provide additional clarifying information to you.

Mike Heiligenstein

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2009 9:38 AM
To: '[redacted]'
Cc: Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: Austin Business Journal
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

Mike Martinez and I talked about this. I am with you in any protest.

From: [redacted] [mailto[redacted]
Sent: Friday, April 17, 2009 5:19 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Leffingwell, Lee; Morrison, Laura; Shade, Randi; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; McCracken, Brewster; Wynn, Will
Cc: Ott, Marc; Rudy.Gonzales@austin.utexas.edu; Barrios, Rossana; Garza, Bobby; Lara, Veronica; Elkins, Stephen
Subject: Austin Business Journal

Friday, April 17, 2009, 10:21am CDT | Modified: Friday, April 17, 2009, 10:50am

Email sparks allegations of racism against Austin Capital Management

Austin Business Journal

An email sent earlier this week from local hedge fund manager **Austin Capital Management** Ltd. has raised the eyebrows and ire of at least one Austin group.

The U.S. Hispanic Contractor's Association de Austin sent a statement out April 16 in reaction to the email, which reads "Tax Reminder...April 15, 2009" and has a picture of four Hispanic males with a caption that reads "Muchas Gracias! 21 million illegal aliens are depending on you!" The email went out to a list of undisclosed recipients.

"The content of the email...is beyond offensive to the Hispanic community," Frank Fuentes, chairman of the U.S. Hispanic Contractors Association, said in the statement. "Messages, such as the one sent out by [the company] serves to do nothing more than propagate fear and fans the fires of ignorance and hatred toward a group that toils tirelessly, in oftentimes underappreciated crafts, for the good of themselves, their families and for ALL individuals who call America their home."

A spokesman for Austin Capital Management released a statement saying "we sincerely apologize to anyone who was offended by this email. Neither [parent company] KeyCorp nor Austin Capital Management authorized or condones the insensitive content of the email or its distribution. As all employee matters are confidential, we are unable to comment on details of this particular situation. Please be assured we take these matters very seriously, and are taking appropriate action."

Fuentes said Austin Capital Management executives have contacted him, confirmed that the email was sent from the company, apologized and requested a meeting with him.

"The email speaks for itself, and in our opinion, was incredibly racist. We felt like we had to make a statement," Fuentes said. "Austin Capital Management's Web site says [the company is] active in the community. They need to know the community they're working in."

Austin Capital Management made headlines earlier this spring when two law firms filed a class action lawsuit against the company over its role in the Bernard Madoff debacle.

Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP filed a suit in early April on behalf of investors in Austin Capital hedge funds during the period between Jan. 2, 2005 and Dec. 11, 2008. The suit seeks to recover losses resulting from Austin Capital's placement of investors' money into funds managed by confessed Ponzi-scheme organizer Madoff and his firm.

And in February, Philadelphia-based law firm Spector Roseman Kodroff & Willis filed a similar class action suit led by the Pension Fund for Hospital and Health Care Employees — Philadelphia and Vicinity and a group of similar funds.

Text Box: U.S. HISPANIC CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

1106 Clayton Lane. Ste 510W I Austin, Texas 78723 I Tel. 512.627-5444 I Email: FuentesCon@aol.com

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release: April 16, 2009

For more information contact:
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512-627-5444

United States Hispanic Contractors Association Takes Offense to Email Circulated by Austin Capital Management

Austin, Texas – The U.S. Hispanic Contractor's Association released a statement today taking offense to an email circulated by Austin Capital Management Office Manager Tina McMillin. The email (see attached) camouflaged as a community service announcement to "undisclosed recipients" with a subject caption reading "Tax Reminder...April 15, 2009" and containing a picture of four Hispanic males and an offensive caption that reads ***Muchas Gracias! 21 million illegal aliens are depending on you!"*** has left the membership of the U.S. Hispanic Contractors Association completely offended and perplexed.

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Mr. Fuentes further notes that since the email was transmitted from Austin Capital Management's company email, he and the members of the Association believe that this firm either condones the illiterate, backwoods mentality of this email or has little to no management control of what their employees do while on company time. "Either way", states Mr. Fuentes, "it's a shame to have a company in Austin Texas that claims to employ a mission that includes ***community responsibility: being model business leaders in the communities in which we operate our business,*** yet contradicts this mission with irresponsible and unacceptable blatant racism in the actions of their staff".

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From: Tina McMillin [mailto[redacted]]
Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2009 10:28 AM
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: Tax Reminder.....April 15, 2009
Austin Capital Management, Ltd.
5000 Plaza on the Lake, Suite 250
Austin, Texas 78746
Tel: 512-476-1185
Fax: 512-476-5526
http://www.austincap.com/

Tax Reminder.....April 15, 2009

Important tax reminder:
Don't forget to pay your taxes.....

Muchas gracias!

21 million illegal aliens are depending on you!

Access 350+ FREE radio stations anytime from anywhere on the web. Get the Radio Toolbar!

Long, Tara

From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2009 1:24 PM
To: Ott, Marc
Subject: Waller Creek
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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April 30, 2009

Dear Marc ,

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We will be engaging many stakeholders in the coming weeks. This particular meeting – unlike the other stakeholder meetings, which focus on particular interests or issues – is intended to take a broader and longer-term look at the future of the Waller Creek area. The meeting will be facilitated by members of the consultant team headed by ROMA Design Group, the firm chosen by our City Council to lead the Waller Creek District Master Plan process.

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Thank you in advance for your consideration to participate in this partnership to guide the future of Waller Creek. Please call or email Tonya Swartzendruber, City of Austin Senior Planner, at (512) 974-3462 or Tonya.Swartzendruber@ci.austin.tx.us, to indicate that you are willing to participate and to RSVP for the meeting on May 12th. This group will likely meet only two or three more times in the next year. If you have any questions, please contact Tonya directly.

Sincerely,

Sheryl Cole

Save the date: Waller Creek District Master Plan Public Workshop, Wednesday, May 13th 6:00pm-9:00pm at Austin Convention Center, 500 East Cesar Chavez, Ballroom C.

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Cc: beatrice thomas; Andrea Rado; Parc Smith; Ernie Pentland; Laura Griebel; Roland Flores; Hamid Velji; Eric Peabody; Garland, Kathy; Drew Arnold; 'Bert Haskell'; Erin Hickok
Subject: RE: Leadership Training/Green Jobs - At Risk Youth Outreach/Programs
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I enjoyed visiting with you, Your program fits in perfectly with a project Chris Riley, Randy Shade and I are working on.

From: [redacted] [mailto[redacted]] **On Behalf Of** Randy Jewart
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2009 12:57 PM
To: George Cofer; Nikelle Meade; Cole, Sheryl; Riley, Chris; Riley, Chris; Williamson, Laura; Wilson, Beverly (Council Place 6)
Cc: beatrice thomas; Andrea Rado; Parc Smith; Ernie Pentland; Laura Griebel; Roland Flores; Hamid Velji; Eric Peabody; Garland, Kathy; Drew Arnold; 'Bert Haskell'; Erin Hickok
Subject: Re: Leadership Training/Green Jobs - At Risk Youth Outreach/Programs

Friends of Green Jobs and Community Development --

Thanks to all of you for joining this conversation. I believe all of you are feeling the potential that we have to put in place the building blocks of a sustainable (DIVERSE!) community.

I would like to thank councilmembers Riley and Cole for taking time with me and the young people (green warriors) yesterday. The time they spend being acknowledged by community leaders really helps motivate them when we get out in the 100+ heat! These are capable young people who can develop the overall skills necessary to lead this entire program. We just need time to work with them.

We appreciate the support to help us further discussions with City staff about outreach to minority communities, with funding to continue and expand our program this fall, and for help identifying future home-base(s) for our urban farming and artmaking efforts in East Austin. We'll be providing the requested additional info this week regarding budgets and sites.

Please feel free to call anytime with ideas or comments. (Van is going to bring us to DC!!)

Please see comments below from George Cofer and below from me regarding our plans.

Best!
Randy

All,

I'm taking the liberty of changing the subject line and adding Andrea and Parc to the loop.....

Randy,

Thanks for this good update. Perhaps one next step whenever you think the time is right would be to convene a small group to compare notes and brainstorm next steps on creating more programs. As you know, American Youthworks has a youth/green jobs training program going this summer (funded by the Good Will ARRA funds, and Peck Young is leading a youth conservation corps program at ACC that will graduate its first class next month. (I stumbled on that tidbit because Peck met with Parks & Rec.)

HCC does not have the capacity to be the convenor but we'll help in whatever way we can to keep the momentum going on the great work you and others are doing!
G

p.s. I finally began reading Van Jones' "Green Collar Economy" last night. Let's get him here to speak!

From: [redacted] [mailto [redacted] **On Behalf Of** Randy Jewart
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 10:03 AM
To: Nikelle Meade
Cc: George Cofer; beatrice thomas
Subject: Thanks for Friday!

Nikelle --

Thanks so much for taking valuable time to meet with us on Friday. I was very nervous going in, but came away amazed by you and the kids! You were great with them and they really rose to the occasion.

Evidence of how you inspired them is that Larry and Anthony requested to meet with me Saturday to respond to your request for a paragraph for Marc Ott regarding how they might help the City reach out effectively to minority communities regarding water conservation. We were able to conference-in my friend Beatrice Thomas who works in the Art in Public Places office at City Hall. Beatrice's company is featured in the article about our Viva Verde program in the Daily Texan. Beatrice had called me three weeks ago after the screen-printing workshop she ran with our kids, to discuss the City's Solid Waste services outreach to minority communities about recycling! She felt exactly as you did, that these young people would be a great asset to the City's efforts. Austin Green Art is also currently working with Watershed Protection on yet another parallel effort to help on the Scoop the Poop campaign.

The kids are thrilled about the opportunity to work on these efforts as leaders of their community! We believe that their authentic voices and raw youthful energy, coupled with Austin Green Art's five years of demonstrated expertise in taking environmental content and turning it into edu-taining art programs and exhibits can provide valuable service to city departments who are trying to engage the community.

As you know, I am very interested in building a longterm leadership program for at-risk young people, utilizing sustainability as the curriculum. I am also committed to establishing a "green for all" economic driver based on food production, land-art (landscaping) and creative

environmental cultural programming. A partnership with the City's environmental departments could provide a valuable anchor to a program which marries both the leadership training and real job opportunities. This could take the shape of a "think tank," a "green ambassadors" program, or a contractual partnership with the City and Austin Green Art.

We plan to bring this up with councilmembers Riley, Coles and Shade at our upcoming scheduled meetings. We expect that support from Goodwill and Capital Workforce Solutions, can be part of this discussion.

We are happy to discuss our many specific ideas about water conservation with Marc and those department staff, while simultaneously addressing our involvement with other departments and the creation of a structure for that and future collaborations. I believe this email makes a good intro to Marc about what we can do to help.

You are awesome,
Randy!
Director
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Background

For the past seven weeks Austin Green Art has been working with dozens of at-risk young people through Goodwill's summer job-training program funded by Capitol Workforce Solutions. It has been incredibly hot and incredibly rewarding!

http://www.dailytexanonline.com/life-arts/eco-friendly-functional-art-1.1769048
http://www.statesman.com/search/content/news/stories/local/2009/06/30/0630green.html
http://kut.org/items/show/17390 (NPR radio)
We've been invited by Jackie Bowman at the Governor's Office to contribute artwork for a national conference in October. (see below!)
Many of the participants were outraged after the thirty six of us went to see Food, Inc. last Friday. http://www.foodincmovie.com/
This is an important film for everyone to see, and the VV participants got a lot out of the film to contextualize the 105 degree work they've put in building gardens at AGA and clients' homes.

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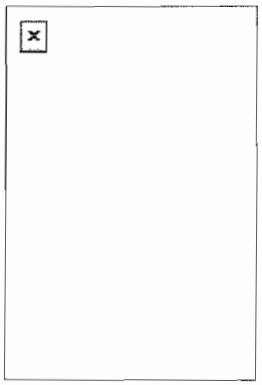

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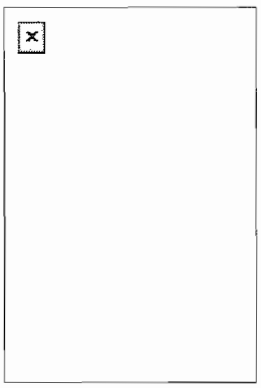

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To: Shade, Randi
Subject: RE: ACVB Budget
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I agree. I just thought we should include her so that we could get better buy in from the heritage guys. Keep me posted.

From: Shade, Randi
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 9:52 PM
To: Cole, Sheryl; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: RE: ACVB Budget

Laura and I have been exchanging emails with the HLC folks for a while now. Independently Julie Hart is meeting with the HLC grant committee for next week. Julie is in a better position to set a foundation for compromise than Bob at the moment.

I want to study Bob's numbers, Scott Joslove's recommendations, and Joe P's claims so that by the time we meet with any of these folks we have a sense for where we want to land. We can get folks to help with Joe P once we have a plan.

Give me til Monday to get some thoughts together and then let's go to Laura. I don't want her to be left out, but we can't meet as a quorum and experience has taught me that it is better to start with something and then have Laura react than it is to play defense after Laura already has something in her head ready to go.....I want us to create a proposal not re-act and/or damage control hers.

Sound good?

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Subject: FW: ACVB Budget

I read Bob's letter more closely and he is asking for a meeting with the historic guys. I think we should do that first before we rush to do a resolution. I also think Laura should be a part of that meeting.

From: Bob Lander [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 5:35 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Riley,

Chris; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Ott, Marc; Garza, Rudy
Subject: ACVB Budget

Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Members:

It has come to my attention that additional questions regarding Heritage Tourism have arisen and I would like to address the misinformation that has been distributed.

The numbers that have been distributed to judge the "soft goal" (which does not exist in the current city code and was confirmed by a City of Austin attorney to not exist in 1994) are incorrect. The spreadsheet pulls from our total budget (which includes our private revenue) not from the Hotel Occupancy Tax funding. If you pull from the correct numbers (please see attached – under tab "Corrected"), you will see that there were years when we actually exceeded the non-existent "soft goal" of 16.67% funding to Historic Preservation and Promotion.

My next thought, is that the numbers on this spreadsheet do not include a full picture of our funding of historic preservation or promotion efforts. As most of you know, we tie the promotion of the historic assets of the city into almost everything that we do. In the past several years, in order to increase efficiency and in accordance with CVB best practices, we have folded many of the duties of heritage tourism into different departments – advertising and marketing now falls to the Marketing and Communications department, grant administration now falls under Administration, Heritage Tourism now falls under Tourism, the free historic walking tours now fall under the Visitors Center. Below is an abbreviated example of some of the heritage promotion activities that are not included in the budget numbers shown on this spreadsheet:

- National Trust for Historic Preservation – sponsorship of at least $50,000 to support this convention to be held in Austin in 2010.
- Heritage Society of Austin – supported $24,000 in advertising for the Circa Antique Show.
- Heritage brochures – 10 different brochures that advertise the different historic districts in Austin.
- Website – History is highlighted on our website with an avatar and experience videos for historic attractions.
- Online advertising – literally millions of impressions of online ads promoting the history of Austin as a reason to visit, including a highlighted sweepstakes package.
- Billboards – highlighting different historic attractions
- Staycation Promotion – highlighted different historic attractions.
- Included in all of our official publications – Visitors Guide, Meeting Planners Guide, Rack Brochure, and tourism collateral

There are many others that I won't include at this time. I will, however, work on a comprehensive list of all heritage activities and will assign dollar amounts to them to provide a full picture of our heritage preservation and promotion efforts.

As for "compromising our directive", some in the community are misinformed about our true directive from the City of Austin. Our contract states our mission is "to market and sell Austin as a premier business and leisure destination, enriching Austin's hospitality industry and the community's overall quality of life." Simply put, our directive from the city, in accordance with the state statutory uses of hotel occupancy tax, has been very clear – to put "heads in beds" by filling the convention center (a $2 billion public investment has been made in hospitality infrastructure) and supporting the hospitality industry so that we can continue to be an economic driver for the local economy. Clearly, we use heritage as a tool to promote Austin – much the same way we use live music, outdoors, and sports.

In my opinion, the only compromise to our directive has been in the illegal use of hotel occupancy tax to fund historic preservation projects from the Historic Landmark Commission which clearly do not have a value to tourism in Austin. In fact, several projects are for properties that aren't even open to the public. If others in the community have ideas for other projects that will support tourism in the city of Austin, I would welcome a meeting with them.

Lastly, I'm at a bit of a loss regarding the hoped for results from these questions. I would be surprised if any other organization in this community has done more for historic preservation and promotion than we have. I would like to believe that some face-to-face meetings, so that we can all understand the others goals and challenges, would bring us closer to promoting Austin's heritage in a more cohesive package.

Bob Lander

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From: Cole, Sheryl
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2009 11:51 AM
To: Cole, Sheryl
Subject: Flyer2.doc
Attachments: Flyer March 30.pdf

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Subject: Save the Date - Tour of Haven for Hope
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Please save the date to visit Haven for Hope in San Antonio
July 15, 2009

Many of us in the community are concerned about homelessness in Austin and know that other cities are addressing these concerns with new models that include campus settings that not only shelter, but provide a centralized location for other necessary services. I invite you to join me in San Antonio to learn from the Haven for Hope and the effort they undertook as they prepare to open the campus.

With the help of the Downtown Austin Alliance, we are arranging a trip via bus on July 15 and will meet with the Director of Haven for Hope and spend time on the new campus. We will depart in the early morning and return to Austin in the late afternoon. I hope that you can take the time out of your busy schedules to join me as we see best practices in development and potential solutions to meet the growing needs of our community.

Details will follow shortly, but please R.S.V.P. to my office if you are able to join me.

Best,

About Haven for Hope
http://www.havenforhope.org/

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Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2009 2:46 PM
To: Shade, Randi
Subject: FW: Save the Date - Tour of Haven for Hope
Attachments: HavenInvite.pdf

Can you go? I keep forgetting to ask you about this personally. Judge Biscoe and Sarah Echart are going along with a host of social service providers and downtown and community activists. Bring Marty.

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Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 9:41 PM
To: Shade, Randi; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]
Subject: FW: ACVB Budget
Attachments: ACVB Budget_Grants_Worksheet REV (3).xls

I read Bob's letter more closely and he is asking for a meeting with the historic guys. I think we should do that first before we rush to do a resolution. I also think Laura should be a part of that meeting.

From: Bob Lander [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2009 5:35 PM
To: Leffingwell, Lee; Martinez, Mike [Council Member]; Shade, Randi; Morrison, Laura; Spelman, William; Riley, Chris; Cole, Sheryl
Cc: Ott, Marc; Garza, Rudy
Subject: ACVB Budget

Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Members:

It has come to my attention that additional questions regarding Heritage Tourism have arisen and I would like to address the misinformation that has been distributed.

The numbers that have been distributed to judge the "soft goal" (which does not exist in the current city code and was confirmed by a City of Austin attorney to not exist in 1994) are incorrect. The spreadsheet pulls from our total budget (which includes our private revenue) not from the Hotel Occupancy Tax funding. If you pull from the correct numbers (please see attached – under tab "Corrected"), you will see that there were years when we actually exceeded the non-existent "soft goal" of 16.67% funding to Historic Preservation and Promotion.

My next thought, is that the numbers on this spreadsheet do not include a full picture of our funding of historic preservation or promotion efforts. As most of you know, we tie the promotion of the historic assets of the city into almost everything that we do. In the past several years, in order to increase efficiency and in accordance with CVB best practices, we have folded many of the duties of heritage tourism into different departments – advertising and marketing now falls to the Marketing and Communications department, grant administration now falls under Administration, Heritage Tourism now falls under Tourism, the free historic walking tours now fall under the Visitors Center. Below is an abbreviated example of some of the heritage promotion activities that are not included in the budget numbers shown on this spreadsheet:

- National Trust for Historic Preservation – sponsorship of at least $50,000 to support this convention to be held in Austin in 2010.
- Heritage Society of Austin – supported $24,000 in advertising for the Circa Antique Show.
- Heritage brochures – 10 different brochures that advertise the different historic districts in Austin.
- Website – History is highlighted on our website with an avatar and experience videos for historic attractions.
- Online advertising – literally millions of impressions of online ads promoting the history of Austin as a reason to visit, including a highlighted sweepstakes package.
- Billboards – highlighting different historic attractions
- Staycation Promotion – highlighted different historic attractions.
- Included in all of our official publications – Visitors Guide, Meeting Planners Guide, Rack Brochure, and tourism collateral

There are many others that I won't include at this time. I will, however, work on a comprehensive list of all heritage activities and will assign dollar amounts to them to provide a full picture of our heritage preservation and promotion efforts.

As for "compromising our directive", some in the community are misinformed about our true directive from the

City of Austin. Our contract states our mission is "to market and sell Austin as a premier business and leisure destination, enriching Austin's hospitality industry and the community's overall quality of life." Simply put, our directive from the city, in accordance with the state statutory uses of hotel occupancy tax, has been very clear – to put "heads in beds" by filling the convention center (a $2 billion public investment has been made in hospitality infrastructure) and supporting the hospitality industry so that we can continue to be an economic driver for the local economy. Clearly, we use heritage as a tool to promote Austin – much the same way we use live music, outdoors, and sports.

In my opinion, the only compromise to our directive has been in the illegal use of hotel occupancy tax to fund historic preservation projects from the Historic Landmark Commission which clearly do not have a value to tourism in Austin. In fact, several projects are for properties that aren't even open to the public. If others in the community have ideas for other projects that will support tourism in the city of Austin, I would welcome a meeting with them.

Lastly, I'm at a bit of a loss regarding the hoped for results from these questions. I would be surprised if any other organization in this community has done more for historic preservation and promotion than we have. I would like to believe that some face-to-face meetings, so that we can all understand the others goals and challenges, would bring us closer to promoting Austin's heritage in a more cohesive package.

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Year	Heritage Marketing Actual	Heritage Marketing Budget	Grants Awarded	Grants Budgeted	ACVB Total Budget	Hotel Occupancy Tax	Actual Heritage as a % of HOT	"Soft Goal" *	Projected Heritage Marketing Budget Based on "Soft Goal"	Actual Heritage Marketing Budget	% of "Soft Goal" Met
FY 2000	$ 691,343	$ 834,725	$ 195,746	$ 201,372	$ 5,736,531	$ 5,047,851	13.70%	16.67%	841,309	$ 834,725	99%
FY 2001	$ 886,977	$ 872,758	$ 261,533	$ 305,465	$ 6,030,701	$ 5,061,998	17.52%	16.67%	843,666	$ 872,758	103%
FY 2002	$ 684,088	$ 838,498	$ 240,900	$ 293,474	$ 5,901,249	$ 4,535,849	15.08%	16.67%	755,975	$ 838,498	111%
FY 2003	$ 415,601	$ 482,043	$ 169,608	$ 205,350	$ 6,132,129	$ 4,844,356	8.58%	16.67%	807,393	$ 482,043	60%
FY 2004	$ 429,309	$ 485,000	$ 210,166	$ 220,000	$ 5,497,393	$ 4,043,085	10.62%	16.67%	673,848	$ 485,000	72%
FY 2005	$ 394,042	$ 448,917	$ 160,750	$ 201,700	$ 5,728,251	$ 4,408,873	8.94%	16.67%	734,812	$ 448,917	61%
FY 2006	$ 462,246	$ 450,894	$ 221,220	$ 213,802	$ 6,987,151	$ 5,273,098	8.77%	16.67%	878,850	$ 450,894	51%
FY 2007 *	$ 413,941	$ 431,208	$ 178,732	$ 194,700	$ 8,652,934	$ 7,074,263	5.85%	16.67%	1,179,044	$ 431,208	37%
FY 2008	$ 362,610	$ 408,589	$ 184,580	$ 194,700	$ 9,605,664	$ 7,581,969	4.78%	16.67%	1,263,662	$ 408,589	32%
FY 2009 **		$ 379,224	$ 208,653	$ 220,120	$ 9,502,367	$ 7,632,695	4.97%	16.67%	1,272,116	$ 379,224	30%
FY 2010 **		$ 239,695		$ 150,000	$ 9,012,429	$ 6,844,532	3.50%	16.67%	1,140,755	$ 239,695	21%
Grand Totals		**$ 5,871,551**	**$ 2,031,888**	**$ 2,400,683**	**$ 78,786,799**	**$ 62,348,569**	**9.42%**			**$ 5,871,551**	

* FY 2007 - Accounting policy change was made that transferred advertising expenses for all departments to the Advertising budget versus being allocated among separate departments.
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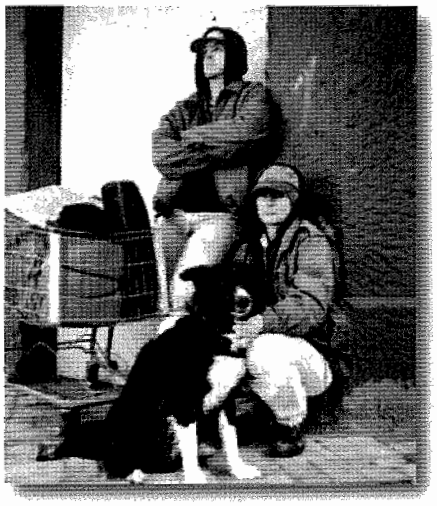

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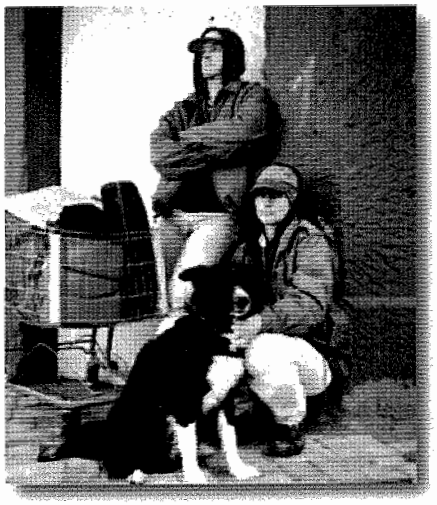

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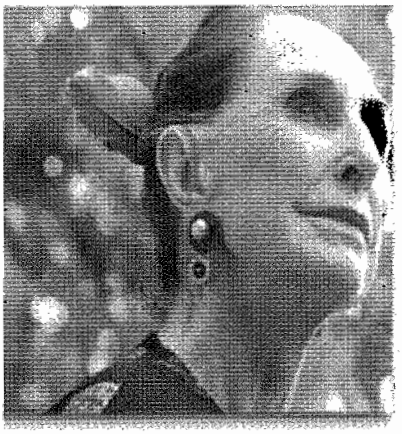

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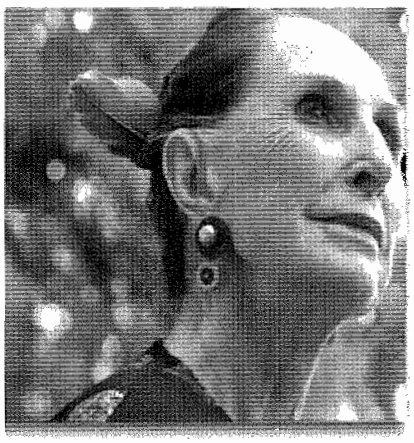

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