

Item 4. Regarding the annexation of the US 281 commercial corridor, GEAA is opposed to this annexation as it entails a dramatic reduction of impervious cover in this area of the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. I have been down here to speak on this issue a number of times and must conclude that either I did not do a good enough job of explaining this or that this is not an issue of concern to you. I am offended that these concerns were completely omitted from the report on annexation that you received, as well as by the argument that you can better protect this area of the aquifer if it is within City limits. Development of the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone within current City limits in no way supports that argument.

Item 4D. Almost every agenda of the Planning Commission includes an amendment to the Sector Plans. At this point, the only purpose that I can see resulting from the Sector Planning process is generating income for certain lobbyists who routinely appear to secure the amendments.

Item 15. We urge you to vote not to approve the Planning Commission slate selected by the Governance Committee. This slate does not reflect the best choice from among the applicants available. If you don't believe me, bring them in and interview them for yourselves:

We recommend for appointment:

Brian J. Erickson – district 9

June Kachtic – district 8

Barbara Witte Howell – district 1

Jack Guerra –district 10

And, please, do not reappoint George Peck.

Many of you have expressed concern about the lack of diversity, in many respects, on this Commission. You have an opportunity today to address your, and our, concerns. Please, vote no.