
Fwd: Case No. C14-2024-0179; Sept 11, 2025 City Council hearing (typo corrected)

From Daniel Traverso <[REDACTED]>
Date Tue 9/2/2025 4:56 PM
To Tomko, Jonathan <[REDACTED]>

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Dear Mr. Tomko,

I have corrected a typo in the next-to-last line... thank you. ("reject" should have been "request").

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From: Tomko, Jonathan <[REDACTED]>
Date: Tue, Sep 2, 2025 at 4:49 PM
Subject: Re: Case No. C14-2024-0179; Sept 11, 2025 City Council hearing
To: Daniel Traverso <[REDACTED]>

Thank you for your comments on this case, I will add them to the backup material. It should be viewable online in the next few days, and City Council will receive it as well before the case is heard.

You are welcome to attend the public hearing on September 11, 2025 and provide in person testimony as well, just be sure to sign up on the [City Council Website](#) in advance. *Speaker registration for the September 11, 2025 Austin City Council Meeting will open Monday, September 8 at 10:00AM*

From: Daniel Traverso <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 4:40 PM
To: Tomko, Jonathan <[REDACTED]>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Case No. C14-2024-0179; Sept 11, 2025 City Council hearing

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Dear Mr. Tomko, I am writing in opposition to the zoning request cited above submitted by the Endeavor Corporation for changes to the property on the northwest corner of Lamar and 6th Street,

between Lamar and Baylor.

I have owned and lived in the duplex at 700 Baylor St for 50+ years, and my wife Laura Smith has lived here for 40+ years. We object to the proposal to allow 120' and 90' structures on the west side of Lamar, where current zoning limits heights to 60'. The 6th and Lamar intersection is already congested and dangerous with the one story retail buildings on this parcel of land. Current zoning would allow a five-fold increase in density (building to 60'), which would already be a huge increase; it seems superfluous and unnecessary to allow developers to exceed that limit and contribute even more traffic and congestion than would occur if the buildings were held to current zoning. This would also put downtown-sized buildings of up to 10 stories right into this long-term residential neighborhood, and sets a terrible precedent for the entire perimeter of the neighborhood up and down Lamar and 6th. Again, current zoning gives the developers the opportunity to build something up to 5 times as tall as the current buildings, and to vastly increase the building footprint by extending the building into the space currently occupied by above-ground parking. It seems superfluous to allow buildings of up to double the height allowed under current zoning.

To the extent the applicant is seeking to justify this vast expansion on the basis of affordable housing, I would point out that the condos we have been told about are not likely to be anything available to low income families. We have already seen substantial loss of residences in the neighborhood because so many affordable apartments, houses, and condos are now used as short term rentals, and because many homes that had been lived in by families, and multiple families in many cases, are now large compounds and/or second homes that have no one living in them full time. There is nothing in Endeavor's proposal that would prevent this same thing happening with the luxury condos they plan, yet another reason this request doesn't justify such a vast expansion beyond current zoning.

We oppose this request.

Sincerely,

Daniel Traverso. [700 Baylor, Austin 78703](#). 512-507-6987
Laura Smith

Sent from my iPad

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Case Number: C14-2024-0179
Contact: Jonathan Tomko, 512-974-1057
Public Hearing: August 28, 2025, City Council

IDS Property Management
Your Name (please print) I am in favor
 I object

Your address(es) affected by this application

[Signature]

Signature

8/13/25

Date

Daytime Telephone: _____

Comments: _____

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Planning Department
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Austin, TX 78767-8810

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Public Hearing: August 28, 2025 City Council

BRE ATX, LLC

Your Name (please print)

1000 3 206 King 102

I am in favor
 I object

Your address(es) affected by this application

Wm UB Inc

8/15/25

Signature

Date

Daytime Telephone:

512 293 1041

Comments:

Great Idea. Wood
 Luck!

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BRE ATX, LLC

Your Name (please print)

I am in favor
 I object

3206 King 102

Your address(es) affected by this application

Wm J Blum 8115125

Signature

Date

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Public Hearing: August 28, 2025 City Council

Mark Black ^{BLE}
_{ATX}
_{cc}

Your Name (please print)

3206 King 102

I am in favor
 I object

Your address(es) affected by this application

[Handwritten signature] 8/15/25

Signature

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