Item 4



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: May 15, 2012 Prepared By/Phone Number: Garry Brown 854-9333 Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Commissioner Karen Huber Commissioners Court Sponsor: Commissioner Karen Huber

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Consider and take appropriate action on a resolution congratulating the City of Lago Vista upon being recognized as a Firewise Community by the National Fire Protection Association Firewise Communities Program.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

Travis County Commissioners Court



Resolution

- WHEREAS, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Firewise Communities Program encourages local solutions for wildfire safety by involving homeowners, community leaders, planners, developers, firefighters, and others in the effort to protect people and property from wildfire risks; and,
- WHEREAS, to save lives and property from wildfire, NFPA's Firewise Communities program teaches people how to adapt to living with wildfire and encourages neighbors to work together and take action now to prevent losses; and,
- WHEREAS, 2011 saw numerous wildfires across Travis County in places such as Oak Hill, Spicewood, and Steiner Ranch; and,
- WHEREAS, Lago Vista's beauty comes from rolling hills, rocky slopes, steep canyons, and an abundance of oak and cedar trees- an area also ripe for wildfire; and,
- WHEREAS, the residents of Lago Vista have exhibited that can-do attitude, community spirit and leadership by being the first of the North Shore communities to become accepted into the Firewise Communities/USA Recognition Program; and,
- WHEREAS, by taking a collaborative approach to this process, Lago Vista has become an example for all the other North Shore communities who are working towards being recognized as Firewise Communities also;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT CONGRATULATES THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA UPON BEING RECOGNIZED AS A FIREWISE COMMUNITY/USA RECOGNIZED SITE.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS _____ DAY OF MAY, 2012.

SAMUEL T. BISCOE COUNTY JUDGE

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