



Greater Austin Contractors & Engineers Association
Government Liaison Meeting Agenda/Notes
April 6, 2010

Attendees

- √ Mayor Dave Claunch, West Lake Hills
- √ Robert Wood, City Administrator
- √ John Landwermeyer, Governmental Liaison Committee Chairman
- √ Bruce Aupperle, Committee Member
- √ Scott Swiderski, Board Member
- √ Larry Hanrahan, Board Member
- √ Lisa Lamb, Executive Director

Agenda

- 1) About Mayor and West Lake Hills:
 - a. *Population of 3,116*
 - b. *Claunch became Mayor in 2008*

- 2) About ACEA
 - a. About the Association
 - i. Started in 1983
 - ii. Over 200 member companies
 - iii. See Mission Statement at the bottom of page

- 3) Governmental Liaison Committee
 - a. *Goals were reviewed*

- 4) City efforts to stimulate the economy, build / maintain infrastructure:
 - a. *Conversion of WW from Septic to WWTP*
 - i. *Unable to work an agreement with COA*
 - ii. *Worked out an agreement with LCRA, but it has become burdensome and is costly to "buy back" from LCRA.*
 - iii. *Conversion started out with residential*
 - iv. *Added Commercial, with some resistance regarding price structuring*
 - v. *Consultants/contractors involved in project included HDR, K. Freise, Keystone, Baker Aicklen*
 - b. *Feasibility stage of FM 2244 widening project.*
 - i. *City wants a continuous turn lane.*
 - ii. *TxDOT ROW request is problematic.*
 - iii. *Water Detention is a challenge, considering an in-line under curb water filtration system.*
 - iv. *Feasibility consultant was HNTB.*
 - c. *Permit Escrow Initiative: City has implemented a contractor escrow system for payment of permits. Allows for convenient payment of permit application fees for those who frequently do so.*
 - d. *Water Distribution System Replacement project on the horizon*

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- 5) Coordination with Engineering and Construction Community
 - a. *Mayor inquired as to the City of West Lake Hills' reputation with the development community in regards to being cooperative. He expressed a desire and effort to improve cooperation.*
- 6) *Construction standards used: generally follows COA standards, revised as necessary at the project level.*
- 7) Discussed how can ACEA help City:
 - a. Provide time to speak during membership monthly luncheons
 - b. Attend the Symposium, Fish Fry, or golf tournaments
 - c. Provide space in our monthly newsletter, send mass email announcements to membership

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