URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION MEETING REPORT May 20, 2026

Agenda Item #: 5

Project Title: Adopting the Southwest Area Plan and the related Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan. (District 1, District 7, District 10, District 19, District 20)

Legistar File ID #: 92879

Members Present: Shane Bernau, Chair; Jessica Klehr, Davy Mayer, Anina Mblinyi, Rafeeq Asad

Staff Present: Kirstie Laatsch, Planning Division

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Summary

At its meeting of May 20, 2026, the Urban Design Commission made a recommendation to the Plan Commission to **APPROVE** the Southwest Area Plan and the related Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.

Summary of Commission Discussion and Questions:

The Commission commented on the Schroeder Road intersection with Whitney Way, and the possible redevelopment of Vitense Golfland noting that what was presented as a hypothetical makes sense.

The Commission asked about the Whitney Way/Raymond Road area and the plan recommendations there. Staff noted that redevelopment at that intersection is recommended for Neighborhood Mixed-Use. The plan did not make a recommended change to the density along Raymond Road because of the naturally occurring affordable housing.

The Commission noted that it seems like a big 'what-if' regarding the Schroeder Road realignment noting that it is an important corner for that UDD District to capture.

The Commission inquired about a potential for the Salvation Army to redevelop the YMCA property on the north side of the Beltline and whether a shelter be allowed there. Staff noted that this site is outside the area plan boundary.

Action

On a motion by Asad, seconded by Mbilinyi, the Urban Design Commission made a recommendation to the Plan Commission to **APPROVE**. The motion was passed on a vote of (4-0).