Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2015:

15-157Z Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider/Discuss/Act on the Request by the City of McKinney to Zone Less than 675 Acres of Land to "AG" - Agricultural District, Generally Located At and Around the Intersection of Trinity Falls Parkway (F.M. 543), Laud Howell Parkway (F.M. 543 Connector), and Central Expressway (U.S. Highway 75)

Mr. Michael Quint, Director of Planning for the City of McKinney, explained the proposed zoning request and gave a brief history on the annexation proceedings for the approximately 675 acres of land. He stated that any legal uses currently on a property within this area that was not allowed under the new "AG" – Agricultural District approved uses would become legally non-conforming. Mr. Quint stated that as these properties came in for development that they would likely request to be rezoned at that time. A letter of opposition received from Arthur J. Anderson was distributed to the Commission prior to the meeting. Mr. Quint stated that Staff recommends approval of the zoning request and offered to answer questions. There were none.

Chairman Franklin opened the public hearing and called for comments.

Mr. Jeremiah Wallis, 2797 FM 543, McKinney, TX, asked how the "AG" – Agricultural District zoning would affect his residential property. Mr. Quint explained that it should not affect Mr. Wallis unless he changed the use of the property.

Ms. Jan Venkatesan, 3163 FM 543, McKinney, TX, spoke in opposition to the zoning request. She stated that she purchased the Crump's Garden property, within this proposed area, to develop a retail center and recreational vehicle (RV) park. Ms. Venkatesan expressed concerns about how the proposed zoning would affect her plans to develop this property.

On a motion by Commission Member Stevens, seconded by Alternate Commission Member McCall, the Commission unanimously voted to close the public hearing and recommend approval of the proposed zoning request, with a vote of 6-0-0.

Chairman Franklin stated that the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission will be forwarded to the City Council meeting on July 21, 2015.