

**STATUS REPORT ON
NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES AD HOC TASK FORCE
MARCH 11, 2004**

City Staff is securing the services of a trained mediator, Beth Boone. Due to the nature of the discussions that will take place, staff believes the services of a professional mediator are needed in order for all Task Force participants to reach a consensus.

TASK FORCE MEMBERS

There are three components to the structure of the task force. The first group represents organizations or groups of people that need to be part of this mediation. Staff believes the fewer persons that are individually selected by the City will enhance the impartiality of the Task Force. These groups have been requested to designate representatives as follows:

Representative of Neighborhood or Homeowner Associations:	7
Rental Property Owners and Management Representatives	4
College Students	5
Home Builders	2

The second component represents individuals who are being invited to participate due to their direct involvement to date, their expertise, insight and experience, representing a targeted organization, or some combination of these factors. This group is as follows:

Karen Belter	Jennifer Fredericks	P&Z Member
Ben White (P&Z)	Don Jones (BLDF Pres.)	Glenn Hudson
Parviz Vessali	Gary Halter	Marsha Sanford (HPC)
Mary Lind Bryan		

The third component is the resource persons being provided to the task force. They are as follows:

Representative of the local Financial Community
City Staff including City Attorney Office

Other resources as may be requested by the Task Force such as economist, property appraisers, etc.

CHARGE TO THE TASK FORCE

With the goal of insuring a high quality of life for all citizens, including home owners, renters, students, and those who invest in our community, the City hereby charges the Task Force with the following:

- Review the number of unrelated persons allowed to inhabit single-family dwellings and the impact associated with lowering of that number.
- Review the impacts of infill development in older residential areas of College Station including such factors as: set backs, green space, parking, creation of conservation/historic overlay districts, etc.
- Review the application of property maintenance codes to single-family homes, and the need for and effectiveness of a rental property registration and inspection programs.
- Review all existing City ordinances related to infill development and property maintenance issues.
- Review the economic impacts, on all affected parties, of each of the topics listed above.

Upon completion of this evaluation, make recommendations to the City Council as deemed appropriate.

TIME FRAME

- March 29, April 5, and April 12---Scheduled Task Force Meetings
- Mid April through Mid May---Additional meetings with Task Force, if needed, and compilation of report to the Council.
- May 27---Consideration of Recommendation(s) from the Task Force by the City Council.