

Core Health Foundation

Lady Bird Lake Project - 2009

Accessible fishing in the Heart of Downtown Austin

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About the CORE Health Foundation

The mission of the CORE Foundation is to advocate for people with disabilities in novel ways through research, creation of public works and awareness projects that hasten the removal of attitudinal biases in our society. Its initial scope of activities include public works that create opportunities for people with disabilities to interact with the general public on equal terms and free of cultural stereotypes. Other disability awareness projects serve to educate the general population to help shape public attitudes. More recently, brain injury research has been included in the scope of the Foundation's activities.

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The Pier

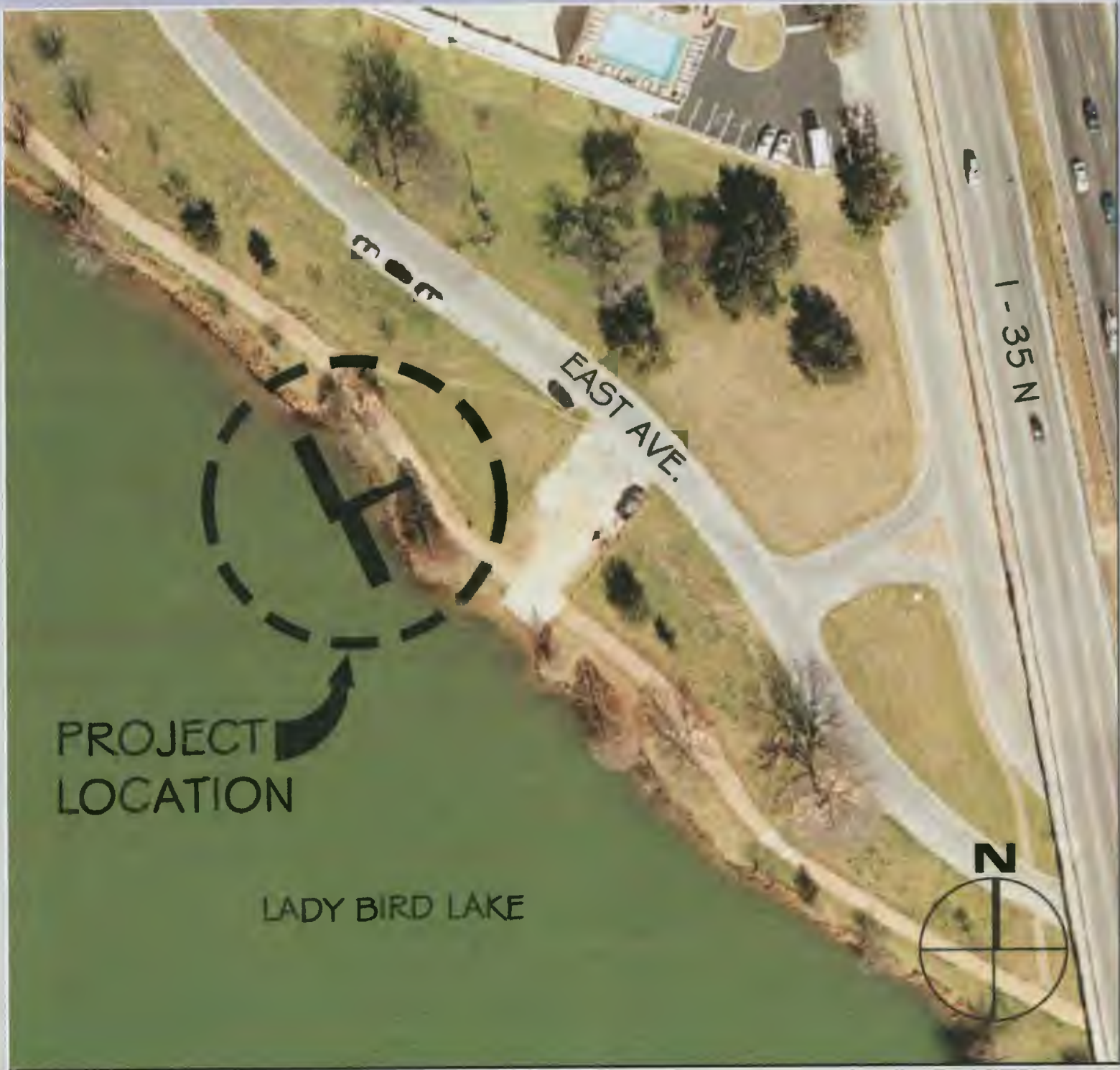
In keeping with the mission to construct public works, a wheelchair accessible fishing pier is contemplated on the hike and bike trail of Austin's Lady Bird Lake.

Based on the plans of a similar fishing pier in Nacogdoches, the pier will allow every angler to take advantage of the unique fishing opportunities of this urban lake, without the need for a boat. The pier will be mixed use and includes a section of dock so boats can be launched, specifically the long "dragon" boats used by the Asian-American Council in Austin. The partially covered, lighted pier will be located along the Lady Bird Lake Hike and Bike Trail near Capital Metro routes and accessible parking. Construction will cost approximately \$80,000.00 to \$100,000.00.

Austin is a special place to live and play, the Foundation seeks more inclusiveness for citizens with mobility impairments. We anticipate that this new downtown amenity will surely become another jewel in the Austin Parks system.

Why Lady Bird Lake?

- .Urban Lake known for its beauty**
- .Popular with anglers for the diversity of its fish variety**
- .Will add another amenity closer to I-35 on the north side of the river for fishing, bat watching, and boat launching**
- .Close to accessible parking and bus lines**
- .Out of more traveled rowing and canoing lanes**



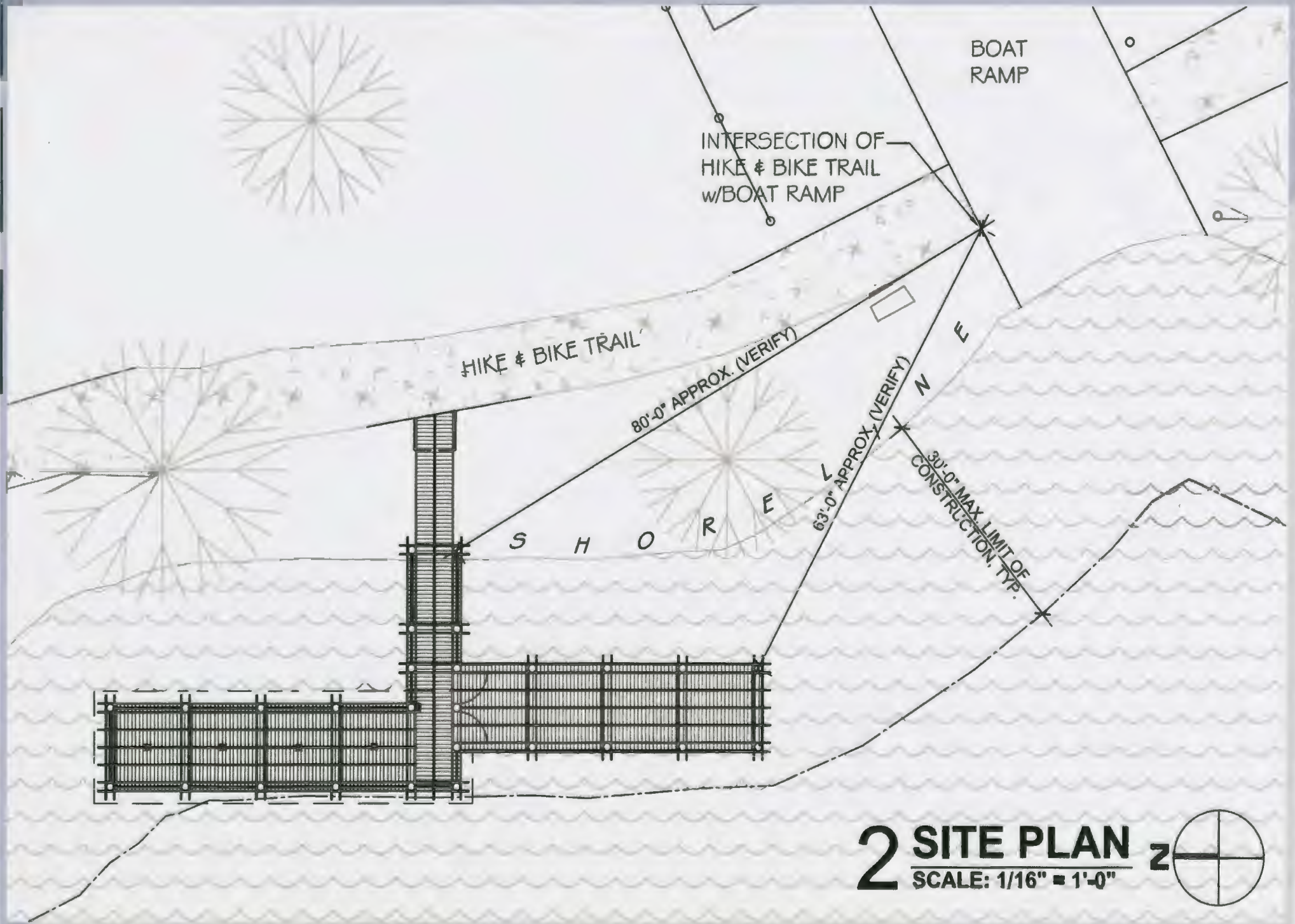
PROJECT
LOCATION

LADY BIRD LAKE

EAST AVE.

I-35 N

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2 SITE PLAN
SCALE: 1/16" = 1'-0"



General Notes

- .Project will be constructed through corporate and community donations**
- .Money will be reserved to assist Austin Parks and Recreation (PARD) to maintain the pier**
- .Austin PARD have provided assistance on regulations and construction materials**
- .Holiday Inn management has expressed strong desire to support the project**
- .Pier requires no request for variance**
- .Amber bait fish lighting below the pier and coin-operated duck feeders will attract fish**
- .Dragon boat training is a year-round activity for the Asian-American Council**

THANK YOU!

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