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Austin Affordability's Bill Oakey Enthusiastically Endorses Laura Pressley, District 4

Austin, Texas – July 23, 2014 – In his highly influential blog AustinAffordability.com, seasoned Austin activist Bill Oakley enthusiastically endorsed Laura Pressley for City Councilwoman, District 4. Says Oakey, "We would all like to find candidates who will hit the ground running as soon as they take office. But the voters in District 4 are lucky enough to have someone who is working hard for affordability even before the election! I'm talking about Laura Pressley, and I'm pleased to offer her the endorsement of this blog."

Pointing to a change in city leadership as a primary answer to the great question of how Austin remains affordable, Pressley states, "Many of the overwhelming affordability pressures that exist in Austin are directly due to the policies of our elected representatives at City Hall. The massive corporate subsidies and tax breaks, the misplaced budgetary priorities, up-zoning that enables and drives gentrification, inefficiencies in key city departments, and the 'we're rich' spending culture that various Mayors, City Council Members and City Staff have with regard to parties, banquets, travel, etc. are like a thousand cuts tearing at our affordability."

Oakey lists three examples of Pressley's initiatives with our current City Hall as she drives for improvements in Austin's affordability. Most recently, Pressley stopped a \$1.5 million water fee waiver poised to benefit the new Medical School Teaching Hospital. Pressley has also organized an urban rail public forum to be held August 26, which will be moderated by KVUE-TV. Thirdly, Pressley introduced Oakley's Public Engagement proposal to the Austin Neighborhoods Council Executive Committee and a resolution is currently under review.

Team Laura gratefully accepts the Austin Affordability endorsement and continues to get the job done for District 4 and Austin at-large.

To join our efforts or learn more, please visit www.PressleyForAustin.com and www.facebook.com/LauraPressleyCampaign.

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Resources:

1. "Support Laura Pressley for City Council District 4" AustinAffordability.com
<http://austinaffordability.com/2014/07/23/support-laura-pressley-for-city-council-district-4/#comments>
2. "Laura Pressley Saves Austinites \$1.5 Million" YouTube video
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8repwFs5uoM>