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## Esperanza clears another hurdle ... one more to go

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A final revised agreement with The Lookout Group for development of the Esperanza property gained approval from the Boerne City Council Tuesday. The city now awaits action by the Boerne Independent School District so the project can move forward.

In presenting the agreement to the council, Deputy City Manager Jeff Thompson said, "We're very pleased with the cooperative approach that was taken since day one with The Lookout Group. It's going to result in a great development for Boerne, and it's going to be very good for the city as well. In actuality, we'll end up with a greater cash value of the development than we would have had with the original agreement. It's a win-win, and we're ready to move forward with your consent."

The only significant modification from the agreement presented to the council Dec. 17 stated arrears

payments for the Herff Road project and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority water would be paid to the city three days after BISD finalized its agreement with TLG.

The Dec. 17 agreement called for arrears payments to be made to the city three days after final council approval, so the new stipulation delays those payments by six days. Right now, past due payments stand at about \$126,000 for the Herff Road project and around \$157,000 for the GBRA water commitment.

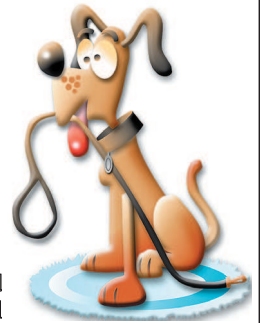
BISD negotiated separately with TLG about terms and timing for construction of elementary and middle schools on 36 acres set aside for district use under the original development agreement, and approval by the BISD board of trustees is expected at its Jan. 20 meeting.

Thompson said he thought development of the 1,240-acre property on Hwy. 46 east of Boerne would begin in February or March.

In other business, Finance Director Sandy Mattick

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**Leashes ...  
Don't  
leave  
home  
without  
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Boerne passed its revised animal control ordinance Tuesday with changes becoming effective immediately. Violators will be subject to a fine up to \$500.

Most notable among the new rules, all pets must now be leashed when not on the owner's property.

Dogs and cats may now receive the three-year rabies vaccine, rather than annually.

The ordinance puts stronger provisions in place for those who choose to keep dogs declared dangerous by animal control.

For complete details of the revised ordinance, visit [www.ci.boerne.tx.us](http://www.ci.boerne.tx.us). In the left hand column, click on "Municipal Code," then under Code of Ordinances click "Chapter 4 - Animals and Fowl," and finally "Article III - Dogs and Cats."