



Brewster has been the film community's most active champion. His record of support for Austin's film community includes the following:

- When Austin Studios' development was sidetracked due to the federal government re-directing funds after Hurricane Katrina, Brewster brought together film industry leaders to craft a studio upgrade proposal. He then persuaded his colleagues to include the upgrades in the 2006 bond election.
- The next year, Brewster succeeded in accelerating bond funding so the upgrades to Austin Studios could be completed before the summer of 2008.
- Sponsored the Austin Film Study and led the implementation of key provisions, including the creation of a city film office and fee waivers for filmmakers.
- Led the city's successful recruitment of Friday Night Lights to film in Austin.
- Testified earlier this month at the Legislature in favor of film incentives legislation. Brewster was the only City of Austin official to testify for the legislation.

You can read the testimonial by Austin film community leader Robert Walker here: <http://www.brewstermccracken.com/2009/02/04/robert-walker/>

Here is an excerpt from Robert's testimonial:

"Brewster McCracken has been a strong, consistent supporter of Austin's film community. He has demonstrated vision, creativity and an openness to new ideas. Most of all, he is a proactive, results-oriented leader who quietly stepped forward to rescue Austin's most important film project in years."

This is a critical time for Austin's film community, and we need a mayor who is a strong supporter of Austin's creative economy and film in particular. Brewster is that candidate.