



**City Planning Commission  
Codes and Ordinances Committee  
Agenda**

**Tuesday September 21, 2010, 6:00 P.M.  
301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, City Hall Conference Room 1029, Austin, Texas**

**Codes and Ordinances Committee Members:**

(Note: a quorum of the Planning Commission may be present at this meeting. At least 3 members of the committee are required for the committee to have a quorum)

Mandy Dealey, Chair  
Danette Chimenti  
Saundra Kirk  
Dave Sullivan  
Kathryne Tovo

**A. Call to Order**

1. Introduce members of the Committee and Staff
2. Inform audience of procedure
3. Citizen Communication on items not posted on the agenda.

**B. Approval of Minutes**

1. Approval of the minutes from the August 17, 2010 meeting.

**C. Potential Code Amendments Proposed for Initiation**

These potential amendments to the code are offered for discussion and possible recommendation for initiation. If initiated, staff will research the proposals and report back to the committee.

1. **Small Scale Outdoor Events** Discussion and action on initiating a code amendment to create a new land use definition for venues for small scale outdoor events such as weddings, receptions, and small parties. (Staff Contact: Robert Heil, Planning and Development Review Department at 974-2330).
2. **Expiration Requirements for Development Projects** - Discussion and action on initiating a code amendment to the City Code, Chapter 25 relating to expiration requirements for permits, site plans and subdivisions. (George Zapalac, Planning and Development Review Department, 947-2725).

**D. Regular Agenda** (Discussion and Possible Action on the following items)

1. **Community Gardens** – Discussion and action on proposed amendments to support community gardens. (Staff Contact: Margaret Russell, Parks and Recreation Department, 974-3867)

## **E. Staff Updates and Briefings** (Discussion and Possible Action on the following items)

1. **Heritage Trees** – Staff Briefing on options related to the enforcement and Mitigation for Heritage Trees (**Staff Contact:** Michael Embesi, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-1876).
2. **NCCD** – Staff Briefing on an Council-initiated amendment to designate the Board of Adjustment as the body to (1) hear and decide a request for a variance from a requirement of the NCCD and (2) consider an appeal of a decision of the building official regarding a site development regulation prescribed by the NCCD. (Staff Contact: Robert Heil, Planning and Development Review Department at 974-2330).
3. Status update of other pending code amendments.

## **F. Other Business**

1. Other new business
2. Possible items for November 16, 2010 Committee meeting.

## **Adjourn**

### **For Additional Information:**

For more information about this agenda, please contact Robert Heil, City, Planning and Development Review Department at 974-2330 or [Robert.Heil@ci.austin.tx.us](mailto:Robert.Heil@ci.austin.tx.us) .

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