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## Land Development Code Advisory Group Meeting #2 Minutes

April 22, 2013 at 6:00 pm  
City Hall, first floor, room 1029 (Staff bullpen)  
301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701

**Imagine Austin Priority Program:** Revise Austin's land development regulations and processes to promote a compact and connected city (*Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan*, p. 207-210).

**Charge to Advisory Group:** Assist in public outreach and provide feedback on development and implementation of a revised land development code (*Resolution #20121206-074*).

**Meeting Objective:** Information on the Open Meetings Act, the processes to revise other regulations, and the selected consultant team.

1. Briefing on Open Meetings Act. Brent Lloyd (Law) provided information on the Texas Open Meetings Act.
2. Update on Watershed Protection Ordinance process. Matt Hollon (Watershed Protection) presented an update on the Watershed Protection Ordinance process including an overview of past trends and future directions. Key ordinance changes include Stream Buffers, Critical Water Quality Zones, Floodplain Protections, Water Quality Controls, and Erosion Hazard Protections. A finalized ordinance should be ready by June and then going to Council in August/fall.
3. Update on Subdivision Regulations process. Pamela Larson (PDR) presented an update on the Subdivision Regulations process. The stakeholder meetings have focused on context sensitive solutions, connectivity indices, and dimensional standards from other communities subdivision regulations including block length and block perimeter. A preliminary draft should be ready by June and then starting the approval process in October.
4. Discuss meeting schedule and logistics. Advisory Group members discussed scheduling meetings in the morning or earlier than 6:00pm, and the possibility of recording their meetings. (note: the room's audio recording system was tested, but did not record the meeting). Next meeting is May 20 at 4:00pm.

5. Discuss consultant team. Advisory Group members discussed:
  - How will the consultant team do an economic study
  - Subconsultant Fregonese Associates will demonstrate their new analytic tool on May 13 as part of the Sustainable Places Project
  - Members would like to have 1-on-1 meetings with the consultants
6. Discuss work product type and goals for Advisory Group. Advisory Group members discussed:
  - Need to work collaboratively with the consultant team
  - Members would like a fact sheet on the LDC project and process
  - How will input be used
7. Agenda for next meeting. Advisory Group members identified these topics for their next meeting.
  - A fact sheet for talking about the LDC revision project and process
  - Identifying a list of stakeholders to engage (Staff will create a Google document for members to enter and track stakeholders)
  - Discuss ideas for Step 1 – Listening, Education and Issue Identification