



MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Gregory I. Guernsey, AICP, Director
Planning and Development Review Department

Date: January 24, 2014

RE: Postponement of “Vested Development Rights” Code Amendment

Staff is requesting a postponement of the following code amendment from the January 30, 2014, City Council meeting to the March 6, 2014, City Council meeting.

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapters 25-1 and 25-5 relating to vested development rights under Chapter 245 and Section 43.002 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Staff has completed its meetings with members of the environmental and development community regarding this amendment. Based on the input Staff has received from these stakeholders, Staff is drafting a revised recommendation for City Council consideration. The postponement will allow additional time for Staff to complete its recommendation that will include amendments to Chapter 25-4 and Title 30, regarding subdivision development within the City limits and the Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). Changes to Title 30 must be adopted by both the City Council and Travis County before taking effect in the ETJ. Before amending Title 30, the City must give Travis County 30 days notice under the City’s agreement with Travis County regarding development within the Travis County portion of Austin’s ETJ. The requested postponement will allow time for Staff to complete its recommendation and to provide the required notice.

CC: Marc Ott, City Manager
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