



**Planning Commission  
Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee  
February 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall – Room # 1027  
301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, TX 78701**

**CURRENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Dave Anderson  
Danette Chimenti  
Stephen Oliver

Jean Stevens  
Myron Smith  
James Nortey  
Jeff Jack – Ex-Officio

**CALL TO ORDER**

**1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

1. Introduce members of the Committee and Staff.
2. Inform audience of procedure.
3. The first three speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of the January 21, 2014 minutes.

**3. POTENTIAL CODE AMENDMENTS: Proposed for Discussion and/or Initiation**

*Potential amendments to the code are offered for discussion and/or possible recommendation for initiation. If initiated, Staff will research the proposal and report back to the subcommittee.*

- a. **Amnesty Certificate of Occupancy** – Consider initiation of an amendment to Title 25 of the City Code to change requirements for obtaining an amnesty certificate of occupancy. (Sponsor: Commissioner Stevens; Co-sponsor: Commissioner Oliver). (Discussion and/or Possible Action)
- b. **Small Lot Amnesty** – Consider initiation of an amendment to Title 25 of the City Code to limit the ability to remove a home that complies with zoning regulations and occupies two or more small lots such that small lot amnesty can be used to create additional homes on existing small lots that do not comply with current lot size regulations. City Staff: Greg Guernsey, Planning

and Development Review Department, 974-2387, [Greg.Guernsey@austintexas.gov](mailto:Greg.Guernsey@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action)

- c. **Historic Amendments** – Consider initiation of an amendment to Title 25 of the City Code to remove Section 25-11-245 from the Code, which states that the Historic Landmark Commission has 60 days from the date of application to take action on a Certificate of Appropriateness; revise Sections 25-11-243 and 25-11-244 to refer to Section 25-11-213 rather than Code sections which do not exist anymore; revise Section 25-11-247 to restrict who can appeal a decision of the Historic Landmark Commission. City Staff: Steve Sadowsky, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-6454, [Steve.Sadowsky@austintexas.gov](mailto:Steve.Sadowsky@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action)
- d. **Motor Vehicle Parking Reductions** – Consider initiation of an amendment to Title 25 of the City Code related to motor vehicle parking reductions and recently adopted Bicycle Parking Code Amendments. City Staff: Eric Dusza, Public Works Department, 974-6504, [Eric.Dusza@austintexas.gov](mailto:Eric.Dusza@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action) **\*RELATED TO ITEM 4.b.\***

#### 4. **REGULAR AGENDA: Previously Initiated**

*Previously initiated amendments to the code are offered for discussion and possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission.*

- a. **STAFF BRIEFING: Lake Austin Amendments** – Consider ordinances to Title 25 of the City Code to amend regulations for docks, marinas, bulkheads, shore fill, and development along Lake Austin, and creating an overlay. City Staff: Chris Herrington, Watershed Protection Department, 974-2840, [Chris.Herrington@austintexas.gov](mailto:Chris.Herrington@austintexas.gov); Greg Dutton, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-3509, [Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov](mailto:Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action)
- b. **Parking Meters** – Consider an ordinance to amend Title 25 of the City Code to allow metered parking spaces to be counted towards the minimum off-street parking required for non-residential uses. City Staff: Joe Almazan, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-2674, [Joe.Almazan@austintexas.gov](mailto:Joe.Almazan@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action) **\*RELATED TO ITEM 3.d.\***
- c. **Breweries** – Consider an ordinance to amend Title 25 of the City Code to allow breweries to sell alcohol that is produced on-site for on-site consumption. City Staff: Greg Dutton, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-3509, [Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov](mailto:Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action)

#### 5. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. **Policy Issues and Priorities Standing Item: Affordability** – Discuss issues around affordability in the City of Austin. (Sponsor: Commissioner Anderson; Co-Sponsor: Commissioner Oliver) (Discussion and/or Possible Action)

- b. Update on potential upcoming and current code amendments, and the amendment process** – City Staff: Greg Dutton, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-3509, [Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov](mailto:Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov) (Discussion and/or Possible Action)

## **6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*Future agenda items will NOT be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion, and/or possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission at a FUTURE meeting.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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