



CODENEXT

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Land Development Code Advisory Group Meeting #15

March 17, 2014 at 4:00 pm
City Hall, 1st floor, Room 1027 (Executive Session)
301 W. 2nd St., Austin, Texas 78701
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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*).

Agenda

Meeting Objective: Decide Advisory Group Structure, discuss work products and goals, presentation on Envision Tomorrow, and provide comments to City Council on Code Approach Alternatives.

20 min	<p>1. Discussion and action on structure, organization and Chair of Advisory Group Objective: Deciding on CAG structure and meeting leadership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Discussion regarding Chair and Vice-Chair – 10 minb. Discussion regarding Committees – 5 minc. Action – 5 min
40 min	<p>2. Presentation and questions on Envision Tomorrow Objective: General overview of Envision Tomorrow process. Review assumptions made for the existing zoning baseline build out with the CAG to get comments before the modeling is started. Note: As a follow up, Fregonese will present to the CAG subcommittee within the next couple weeks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Presentation – 25 min<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Brief overview of Envision Tomorrowii. How it is being used in the CodeNEXT processiii. Assumptions made to prepare for existing zoning build outb. Q&A – 15 min<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Any Questions CAG has for Opticos

30 min	<p>3. Briefing from Opticos</p> <p>Objective: Enable CAG to develop a better understanding of deliverables and what we need from CAG related to each of them, give the CodeNEXT team and the CAG the opportunity to respond to frequently asked questions, give CAG an opportunity to ask the consultant team any questions they have had and have not had the opportunity to ask</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Upcoming Work Products & What We Need from CAG for Each <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Listening to the Community Report ii. Community Character Manual iii. Code Diagnosis iv. Approach Options Memo & Annotated Outlines v. General Communication: Blog/Newsletter: b. Response to the Top Frequently Asked Questions and Comments c. Q&A: Any Questions CAG has for Opticos
10 min	<p>4. Briefing and feedback on proposal from City Council’s Comprehensive Planning & Transportation Committee regarding Code Approach Alternatives</p> <p>Objective: Provide comments to the CP&T Committee on Code Approach Alternatives</p>
5 min	<p>5. Update from CAG members on their outreach activities</p>
5 min	<p>6. Agenda items to consider for next meeting</p>
15 min.	<p>7. Public comment</p>
5 min	<p>8. CodeNEXT Team response to public comment</p>

Advisory Group members suggested these discussion agreements:

- Use Imagine Austin's vision and principles as a foundation for all discussions
- Use parliamentary procedure to set up motions to discuss (with a second) and use polite protocol throughout
- Have facilitator call on participants to speak
- Let someone complete their thought
- Operate on basis of consensus (that all can live with a particular course of action), with the option to take votes and issue possible majority/minority point of view if necessary
- Keep ongoing list of requests for information made during meetings to share later on with advisory group
- To add a new item to an advisory group's agenda, have two advisory group members support it

Standard City of Austin discussion agreements:

- Open-mindedness: Listen to and respect all points of view
- Acceptance: Suspend judgment as best you can
- Curiosity: Seek to understand rather than persuade
- Discovery: Question old assumptions, look for new insights
- Sincerity: Speak for yourself about what has personal heart and meaning
- Brevity: Go for honesty and depth but don't go on and on