

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 38068 Agenda Number 182.

Meeting Date: 11/20/2014 Department: Planning and Development Review

Subject

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance on second and third readings amending City Code Title 25 related to the development of multifamily units that are 500 square feet or less.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	October 16, 2014 – Council conducted a public hearing and approved an ordinance on first reading.
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Boards and Commission Action:	July 8, 2014 – No recommendation made by the Community Development Commission on a 6-2-1 vote with Commissioners Decierdo and Reyes voting no and Commissioner Taylor abstaining. September 23, 2014 – Not approved by the Planning Commission on a 6-1 vote with Commissioner Hatfield absent and Commissioner Oliver abstaining.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

In March 2014, City Council initiated changes to Austin's Land Development Code to remove impediments to the construction of multifamily units that are 500 square feet or less in size. Although Austin's current code allows for the construction of these types of units, there are density caps and parking requirements that may inhibit their construction. The proposed changes provide that multifamily units that are located within a transit oriented development district or on a core transit corridor (CTC), or future CTC that are 500 square feet or less, and provide on-site affordable units will have a minimum site area requirement and minimum parking requirement of zero.