

Land Development Code Advisory Group Meeting #29

January 16, 2015 at 1:00 pm
One Texas Center, Room 325
505 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX 78704
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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: Orientation for working groups. The Advisory Group may vote on a resolution on any agenda item.

	1. Approval of minutes
50 min	2. Orientation for working groups Objective: Review the topics, membership and process for working groups
15 min	 3. Standing Items a. Discuss structure and organization of Advisory Group b. Discuss work product type and goals for Advisory Group Update from working group on neighborhood plans c. Update from members on their outreach activities d. Report from Working Group on Envision Tomorrow e. Agenda items to consider for next meeting
15 min	4. Public Comment
5 min	5. CodeNEXT Team response to public comment

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