



**Planning Commission
Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee
April 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
City Hall – Room # 1027
301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701**

CURRENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

Danette Chimenti
Stephen Oliver
Nuria Zaragoza

Jean Stevens
James Nortey
Jeff Jack – Ex-Officio

CALL TO ORDER

EXECUTIVE SESSION (No public discussion)

The Planning Commission will announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel on matters specifically listed on this agenda. The commission may not conduct a closed meeting without the approval of the city attorney.

Private Consultation with Attorney – Section 551.071

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 March 17, 2015 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. **Eliza Springs SOS Amendment** – Consider a site-specific amendment to City Code Chapter 25-8, Article 12 (Save Our Springs Initiative) for the Eliza Springs outlet daylighting project located generally within Zilker Park. City Staff: Chris Herrington, Watershed Protection Department, 974-2840, Chris.Herrington@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).
- b. **Subchapter F Carport and Garage Exemptions** – Consider an amendment to Title 25 of the City Code to change regulations related to Subchapter F gross floor area exemptions for garages and carports. City Staff: Greg Dutton, Planning and Development Review Department, 974-3509, Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

4. REGULAR AGENDA: Previously Initiated

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

- a. **NONE**

5. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. **Commercial Uses on Residentially-Zoned Property** – Discussion of current regulations regarding commercial uses on residentially-zoned property. (Sponsor: Commissioner Nortey; Co-Sponsor: Commissioner Oliver) (Discussion).
- b. **Subdivision Connectivity** – Discussion of current regulations regarding subdivision connectivity. (Sponsor: Commissioner Nortey; Co-Sponsor: Commissioner Chimenti) (Discussion).
- c. **Policy Issues and Priorities Standing Item: Affordability and Transportation** – Discuss issues around affordability and transportation in the City of Austin. (Sponsor: Commissioner Nortey; Co-Sponsor: Commissioner Oliver) (Discussion and/or Possible Action).
- d. **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; (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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For more information on the Planning Commission Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee, please contact Greg Dutton at (512) 974-3509 or at greg.dutton@austintexas.gov