

Code Amendment Case Summary 2013-2015 (to date)

(See also <http://www.austintexas.gov/page/land-development-code-amendments>)

Table 1. Code Amendments Recommended by Planning Commission to Council in 2013

	CASE NUMBER	Name	Description	PC hearing date	Recommended by full PC to go to CC?	Council hearing date	Council action
1	C20-2012-010	Amphitheater Use	Makes amphitheater use a conditional structure in all zoning districts	1/22/2013	Yes, vote: 5-3	2/28/13	Adopted 7-0
2	C20-2012-003	Cocktail Lounges in Rainey Street	Makes cocktail lounge a conditional use in Rainey Street Waterfront Overlay subdistrict	1/22/2013	Yes, vote: 7-1	2/28/2013	Adopted 7-0
3	C20-2012-023	Water and Wastewater Reimbursement and Cost	Amends regulations for cost participation of certain water and wastewater infrastructure that is oversized at the request of the City	2/12/2013	Yes, vote: 8-0	3/21/2013	Adopted 7-0
4	C20-2012-013	Parking Downtown	Parking reductions downtown (DMU, CBD)	2/12/2013	Yes, vote: 8-0	4/11/2013	Adopted 6-0
5	C20-2013-001	Barton Springs Pool	SOS site-specific amendments to make general improvements to Barton Springs Pool	2/26/2013	No (denied), vote: 5-2	4/11/2013	Adopted 6-0
6	C20-2012-017	Rainey St. Density/Height	Changes Rainey St. Density and Height regulations, allows points for structures moved out of Rainey St.	2/26/13	Yes, vote: 8-0	5/23/13	Adopted 6-0
7	C20-2013-003	Conservation Residential	Allows single family residences to be clustered to preserve open space. Amendment is to re-insert a provision that was inadvertently deleted	3/12/13	Yes, vote: 8-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
8	C20-2012-016	Public Assembly	Amends where public assembly is allowed, would allow schools and churches in any zoning district to get temp pub assembly permit	3/12/13	Yes, vote: 8-0	11/21/13	Denied 7-0
9	C20-2011-031	Residential Design & Compatibility	Amendment to Subchapter F to add a provision to count 15ft ceilings twice, which was inadvertently removed	3/12/2013	Yes, vote: 8-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
10	C20-2012-005	North Burnet Gateway – Two Story Minimum	Amends regulations requiring two story minimums in NBG	3/26/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
11	C20-2012-006	North Burnet Gateway – Sign Regulations	Amends sign regulations related to size of sign in NBG	3/26/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
12	C20-2012-007	North Burnet Gateway – Subdistrict Map	Changes subdistrict map amendment requirements	3/26/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
13	C20-2012-008	North Burnet Gateway – Water Quality Control	Amends NBG regulations to reference correct LDC water quality regulations	3/26/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
14	C20-2013-004	Plaza Saltillo	Amendment to allow indoor entertainment as a conditional	3/26/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0

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15	C20-2012-020	Waterfront Overlay Boundary	Adjustment to the Waterfront Overlay boundary between Auditorium Shores and Butler Shores	3/26/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	4/25/13	Adopted 6-0
16	C20-2011-027	Design Standards and Mixed Use	Suite of amendments to Subchapter E	4/9/13	Yes, vote: 8-0	6/6/13	Adopted 7-0
17	C20-2011-023	Bicycle Parking	Clarifications, definitions, incentives for bicycle parking	4/9/2013	Yes, vote: 8-0	5/23/13	Adopted 7-0
18	C20-2012-021	Heli-facilities	Changes process for establishing heli-facilities and creates different types of heli-facilities	4/23/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	6/20/13	Adopted 7-0
19	C20-2013-012	Historic Landmark Commission Review	Extends to 60 days the amount of time before a public hearing must be held for a demolition or relocation application	4/23/13	Yes, vote: 9-0	8/29/13	Adopted 7-0
20	C20-2013-007	STR Updates	Updates, clarifications, to the short-term rental ordinance	4/23/13	Yes, vote: 8-1	9/26/13	Adopted 6-1
21	C20-2012-011	UNO Affordability	Changes affordability requirements in UNO	5/28/13	Yes, vote: 7-0	2/13/14	Adopted 7-0
22	C20-2013-008	Downtown Density Bonus Program + CURE Amendments	Codifies a streamlined downtown density bonus program, and simplifies CURE	6/11/13	Yes, vote: 8-0	6/7/13	Adopted 6-0
23	C20-2011-032	Land Uses in DMU and CBD	Adds electronic testing and electronic prototype assembly to conditional uses in DMU and CBD	6/11/2013	Yes, vote: 8-0	6/20/2013	Adopted 7-0
24	C20-2013-013	BOA Special Exceptions	Extends window during which special exceptions may be sought at BOA	6/25/13	Yes, vote: 7-0	8/22/13	Adopted 6-0
25	C20-2013-017	Watershed Protection Ordinance	Changes to chapters 25-7 and 30-4 relating to drainage; amending sections of city code chapters 25-8, subchapter a and 30-5; amending various sections of city code title 25 and title 30 relating to environmental protection	8/27/13	Yes, vote: 8-0	10/17/13	Adopted 7-0
26	C20-2013-005	Urban Farms	Amendments to regulations for urban farms and where and what they are permitted to do	9/24/13	Yes, vote: 6-1	11/21/13	Adopted 7-0
27	C20-2013-014	PUD Affordable Housing	Amends PUD affordable housing requirements	9/24/13	Yes, vote: 6-0	10/3/13	Adopted 5-2
28	C20-2013-015	LO Off-Site Parking	Allows off-site parking in the LO zoning district	9/24/13	Yes, vote: 7-0	10/17/13	Adopted 5-2

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29	C20-2013-016	Lake Austin Approvals	Makes Planning Commission the review body for certain approvals of docks, bulkheads, marinas	9/24/13	Yes, vote: 7-0	10/17/13	Adopted 7-0
30	C20-2013-029	Enhanced Penalties	Increases minimum fines for zoning code violations	11/12/13	Yes, vote:7-0	5/15/14	Adopted 7-0
31	C20-2013-030	Temporary Special Events Signs (Non-Projected)	Creates new regulations for temporary non-projected signs for special events	12/10/13	Yes, vote: 5-0	2/13/14	Adopted 7-0
32	C20-2013-006	Temporary Special Events Signs (Projected)	Creates new regulations for temporary projected signs for special events	12/10/13	Yes, vote: 5-0	2/13/14	Adopted 7-0

Table 2. Code Amendments Recommended by Planning Commission to Council in 2014

	CASE NUMBER	Name	Description	PC hearing date	Recommended by full PC to go to CC?	Council hearing date	Council action
1	C20-2013-035	Occupancy Limits	Amends city code to allow up to 4 unrelated individuals in a dwelling unit, instead of 6	1/28/14	Yes, vote: 7-0	2/13/14	Adopted 6-1
2	C20-2013-027	Downtown Density Bonus Program and Rainey St. Amendments	Expands benefits of Downtown Density Bonus Program and aligns with Rainey St. Density Bonus; adds affordability period to Rainey St. units	1/28/14	Yes, vote: 7-1	2/13/14	Adopted 7-0
3	C20-2013-023	Accessible Ramps	Allows ramps to be built in required setbacks for accessibility purposes	1/28/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	5/22/14	Adopted 7-0
4	C20-2013-026	Breweries	Allows the sale of beer/ale produced on-site, for consumption on-site	3/11/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	4/17/14	Adopted 6-0
5	C20-2013-025	LA Suite of Amendments	Amends regulations for docks, bulkheads, marinas, and other shoreline development	3/25/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	6/26/14	Adopted 7-0
6	C20-2013-024	LA Overlay	Creates an overlay to apply regulations of the LA base district to all properties within a certain distance of the Lake Austin shoreline	3/25/14	Yes, vote: 7-1	6/26/14	Adopted 6-1
7	C20-2013-011	Vested Development Rights	Amends regulations for project duration and dormancy	4/8/14	Yes, vote: 7-1	6/12/14	Adopted 6-1
8	C20-2013-034	Mobile Retail	Allows for mobile vending of retail good	6/24/14	Yes, vote: 5-0	6/26/14	Adopted 7-0
9	C20-2014-010	Parkland Dedication	Allows amendment of plat notes regarding parkland dedication	7/22/14	Yes, vote: 5-0	8/7/14	Adopted 7-0
10	C20-2014-006	Sidewalk Signs	Amends regulation of sidewalk signs to allow placement without a permit	8/26/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	8/28/14	Adopted 6-0

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11	C20-2014-005	Transit Logos	Allows logos/sponsors on certain transit facilities in the ROW	8/26/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	8/28/14	Adopted 7-0
12	C20-2013-036	Temporary School Signs	Allows schools to install non-electronic signs without a permit, on a temporary basis	8/26/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	8/28/14	Adopted 7-0
13	C20-2013-033	Metered Parking	Allows metered parking to be counted toward minimum off-street requirements	8/26/14	No (denied): 8-0	12/9/14	Adopted on first reading
14	C20-2014-012	Alley Fences	Allows a fence up to eight feet in height along an alley	9/23/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	11/20/14	Adopted 7-0
15	C20-2014-001	Micro Units	Amends code to remove impediments to micro unit construction	9/23/14	No (denied): 6-1-1	11/20/14	Adopted 5-2
16	C20-2014-008	Reduced Parking	Clarifies that certain parking reductions may not be taken for one and two family residential	10/28/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	11/6/14	Adopted 5-1
17	C20-2014-004	SMART Housing Transit	Amends requirement for SMART housing transit proximity	10/28/14	Yes, vote: 8-0	11/6/14	Adopted 6-0
18	C20-2014-011	DMU & CBD	Allows additional residential uses in DMU and CBD, exempts from Subchapter F	12/9/14	Yes, vote: 5-0	1/29/15	Adopted 11-0
19	C20-2014-024	Congress Avenue Combining District	Changes the setback on the east side of Congress Ave. from 60ft to 40ft	12/9/14	Yes, vote: 5-0	12/11/14	Adopted 7-0

Table 3. Upcoming Code Amendments (anticipated at PC in 2015)

	CASE NUMBER	Name	Description	PC hearing date	Recommended by full PC to go to CC?	Council hearing date	Council action
1	C20-2015-001	Adult-Oriented Businesses	Makes all AOBs conditional in DMU and CBD zoning, adds museums and libraries to list	3/24/15	Yes, vote: 8-0	4/16/15	Adopted 9-0
2	C20-2014-027	RDCC Dissolution	Amendment to dissolve the Residential Design and Compatibility Commission	3/24/15	Yes, vote: 8-0	5/7/15	Adopted 10-0
3	C20-2014-013	ADUs	Changes regulations to remove barriers to building an ADU	6/9/15	TBD	TBD	TBD
4	C20-2014-003	Small Lot Amnesty	Clarifies that small lot amnesty infill tool may not be used to disaggregate a site into substandard lots	June/July 2015	TBD	TBD	TBD
5	C20-2014-021	ERC Amendment Process	Creates new requirement for ERC amendment process	July 2015	TBD	TBD	TBD

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6	C20-2015-002	SubChapter F Carport and Garage Exemption	Changes carport and garage gross floor area exemptions in SubCh F	Summer 2015	TBD	TBD	TBD
7	C20-2015-004	SubChapter F TOD and ERC Zoning Exemption	Clarifies that Subchapter F does not apply to TOD and ERC zoning districts	Summer 2015	TBD	TBD	TBD
8	C20-2014-017	Crossfit	Changes regulations for personal improvement services	Summer 2015	TBD	TBD	TBD
9	C20-2014-25	Universal Recycling Ordinance	Suite of requirements for on-site recycling facilities	Fall 2015	TBD	TBD	TBD
10	C20-2014-016	Agricultural Development	Clarifies which activities are allowed as a part of agricultural use	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
11	C20-2014-15	Review Periods	Amends time required for review periods	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
12	C20-2014-002	Historic Amendments	Suite of clarifications related to Historic Landmark Commission	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
13	C20-2014-019	PUD On-Site Affordability	Changes PUD on-site affordability requirements	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
14	C20-2014-028	Parkland Dedication	Adjustment to parkland dedication requirements and fees	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
15	C20-2014-029	St Catherine's SOS Amendments	Site-specific SOS amendments	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
16	C20-2014-026	Construction and Demolition	Requirement for material recycling during construction and demolition	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
17	C20-2015-003	BSP site-specific amendments for Eliza Springs	Makes site-specific changes to SOS for Eliza Springs daylighting project	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD