

## **AFFORDABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA:

RESOLUTION No: 20140612-062

PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENT:	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDING SECTIONS 25-2-774 (TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE), 25-2-1463 (SECONDARY APARTMENT REGULATIONS), AND CHAPTER 25-6 APPENDIX A (TABLES OF OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS) OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.
IMPACT ON REGULATORY BARRIERS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	POSITIVE NEGATIVE NEUTRAL  THE PROPOSED CODE AMENDMENT SUPPORTS THE GOALS OF IMAGINE AUSTIN HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD POLICY 1: DISTRIBUTE A VARIETY OF HOUSING TYPES THROUGHOUT THE CITY TO EXPAND THE CHOICES AVAILABLE TO MEET THE FINANCIAL AND LIFESTYLE NEEDS OF AUSTIN'S DIVERSE POPULATION.
LAND USE / ZONING OPPORTUNITIES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	Positive Negative Neutral
IMPACT ON COST OF DEVELOPMENT	POSITIVE NEGATIVE NEUTRAL  ALLEVIATING SOME REGULATIONS AFFECTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS CAN REDUCE THE COST OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. THIS INCLUDES:  - REDUCTION IN THE MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE PRINCIPLE STRUCTURE  - REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAN AN ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT BE SERVED BY AN ALLEY OR PAVED DRIVEWAY  - REDUCTION IN THE PARKING REQUIREMENT FOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

IMPACT ON PRODUCTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING	POSITIVE NEGATIVE NEUTRAL  THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS COULD HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS. ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AS A HOUSING TYPE COULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOUSING THAT IS MORE AFFORDABLE TO MORE PEOPLE AS WELL AS PROVIDE PROPERTY OWNERS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE AN ADDITIONAL REVENUE STREAM THEREBY IMPROVING OVERALL HOUSEHOLD AFFORDABILITY.
PROPOSED CHANGES IMPACTING HOUSING AFFORDABILITY:	ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS ARE A HOUSING TYPE THAT HAS BEEN UTILIZED BY DEVELOPERS OF INCOME RESTRICTED AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS WOULD REMOVE BARRIERS TO USING THIS HOUSING TYPE AS A TOOL TO PRODUCE INCOME RESTRICTED AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE TO MAXIMIZE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES:	
OTHER HOUSING POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:	
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