

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 2-1-166 TO AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION BY AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The city council makes the following findings:

- (A) The Austin City Charter designates the chair of the Austin Independent School District (AISD) Board of Trustees as an ex officio member of the Planning Commission. However, it has proven infeasible for the AISD ex officio to regularly attend Commission meetings, and as a result, issues facing schools are not adequately considered in planning decisions.
- (B) No commissioner, ex officio or regular member, may delegate his or her authority. However, the Council or Commission may choose to formally recognize a representative of AISD and allow the representative to speak on agenda items that may impact public schools.
- (C) Consistent with the goals of the *Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan*, which emphasize the availability of schools as an important factor in land use planning, this ordinance seeks to provide greater flexibility for AISD participation at Planning Commission meetings.

PART 2. City Code Section 2-166 (*Planning Commission*) is amended to read:

§ 2-1-166 PLANNING COMMISSION.

- (A) The Planning Commission is composed of [~~nine~~] 13 members appointed to the commission by council.
- (B) The city manager, the chairperson of the zoning board of adjustment, the director of public works, and the president of the board of trustees of the Austin Independent School District (AISD) shall serve as ex officio members.
- (C) The president of the AISD board of trustees may designate, in writing, a member of the board of trustees or an employee of AISD to represent the district at meetings of the Planning Commission. The AISD representative may participate in discussion of agenda items subject to approval by the chair of the commission and under such rules as the commission deems appropriate.

~~(D)~~~~(C)~~ The commission is established and governed by City Charter Article X (Planning). The Charter provisions supersede this chapter to the extent of conflict.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2015.

PASSED AND APPROVED

_____, 2015 § _____
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 Steve Adler
 Mayor

APPROVED: _____
 Anne L. Morgan
 Acting City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
 Jannette S. Goodall
 City Clerk

