Land Development Code Advisory Group Meeting #39

December 15, 2015 at 4:00 pm
Pleasant Hill Branch Library, Room # 2
211 E William Cannon Dr, Austin, TX 78745
www.austintexas.gov/codenext

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 #20150521-026*).

Agenda

Meeting Objective: Review session of completed work products as well as a recap of the Sound Check. The Advisory Group may vote on a resolution on any agenda item.

	1. Approval of minutes from September 1, 2015 and November 10, 2015
15 min	2. New member introductions
45 min	3. Discussion of work products developed by CodeNEXT Team. Work products include the Listening to the Community Report, Code Diagnosis, Community Character Manual, Working Group recommendations and Approach Alternatives and Annotated Outlines. https://austintexas.gov/department/codenext-resources
60 min	4. Recap of the CodeNEXT Sound Check. The Sound Check was an event where development standards were tested and illustrated. http://austintexas.gov/blog/new-codenext-documents-sound-check
15 min	5. Establish regular meeting times
30 min	6. Role of the Code Advisory Group during the code development phase
15 min	7. Standing Items

	a. Discuss structure and organization of Advisory Group b. Discuss work product type and goals for Advisory Group 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	8. Public Comment
5 min	9. Closing remarks from the CodeNEXT staff team

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