Land Development Code Advisory Group
Meeting #38 Minutes

November 10, 2015 at 4:29 pm
One Texas Center, Room 325
505 Barton Springs Road Rd, Austin, Texas 78704

Members in attendance: Mandy De Mayo, Jim Duncan, Jackie Goodman, Lauren Ice, Eleanor McKinney, Susan Moffatt, Elizabeth Mueller, Melissa Neslund, Dave Sullivan, Kevin Wier.

Members Absent: Sarah Linares, Terry Mitchell.

Meeting Objective: Orientation session for newly appointed members to the Land Development Code Advisory Group. The Advisory Group may vote on a resolution on any agenda item.

1. Approval of Minutes: Decision deferred as Mr. Wier had comments to add to the September 1, 2015 minutes.

2. New Member introductions: The members introduced themselves.

3. Welcome to CodeNEXT and orientation presentation: Dave Sullivan, Matthew Lewis and Jim Robertson gave a presentation on the purpose of CodeNEXT, the role of the Code Advisory Group, and the purpose of the Sound Check. Discussion by advisory group members included how to educate the public about a hybrid code as well as its appropriate application; considering the public comments and input when developing the code; whether form-based codes can make a good built environment; and appropriate aspects for the most meaningful meeting format.

4. Discuss regular meeting times, agenda and vote on meeting format moving forward: This item was included as part of Item #3. The group decided not to vote on this item.

5. Standing Items:
    a) Discuss structure and organization of Advisory Group: Discussed as part of Items 3 and 4
    b) Discuss work product type and goals for Advisory Group: none
    c) Update from members on their outreach activities: none.
    d) Report from Working Group on Envision Tomorrow: None.
    e) Agenda items to consider for next meeting: Members McKinney, Neslund, DeMayo, Duncan and Sullivan will meet to discuss a December meeting date.   Staff will resend the Doodle Poll of members meeting availability.

6. Public Comment: Comments included the need to must understand and be consistent with the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan and utilize the complete community indicators within Imagine Austin when addressing household affordability.

7. CodeNEXT Team response to public comment: Comments included the CodeNEXT team will be addressing various issues during code development; materials from the Sound Check will be posted on-line; and the team will be meeting with new members.

Meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm