

## **ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET**

**Amendment:** C20-2016-002

**Description:** Consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapters 25-2 Zoning and 25-8 Environment and 30-5 Environment to clarify regulations related to development along City of Austin lakes.

**Proposed Language:** See attached draft ordinance.

**Summary of proposed code changes:**

- Correct three typos,
- Improve clarity for existing rules,
- Resolve unintended issues and conflicts within existing code.

**Background:** Initiated by Planning Commission on January 26, 2016.

In response to recommendations from the Lake Austin Task Force, new rules for lakefront development were adopted, effective July 7, 2014. Also, the Watershed Protection Ordinance went into effect on October 23, 2013, which changed rules related to floodplain modifications. Both ordinances affected lakefront development, but there were some issues that were not adequately addressed by these ordinances, and there were some unintended consequences as a result of these ordinances that resulted in apparent conflicts. This ordinance attempts to resolve these issues.

The proposed ordinance was initiated by the Planning Commission January 26, 2016. A stakeholder meeting was conducted on April 26, 2016 to gather input. The resulting ordinance does not propose to add any substantive regulations to the existing code, but rather proposes to clarify existing code and resolve unintended consequences within the existing code, in order to further streamline review of proposed lakefront development.

**Staff Recommendation:** Recommended

**Board and Commission Actions**

**May 4, 2016:** Recommended for approval by Environmental Commission on an 8-0 vote (2 members absent).

**May 17, 2016:** Recommended for approval by the Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee on a 3-0 vote.

**May 24, 2016:** To be reviewed by Planning Commission.

**Council Action**

**May 19, 2016:** A public hearing has been scheduled.

**Ordinance Number:** NA

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