

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

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| Austin City Council | | Item ID | 68886 | Agenda Number | 8. |
| Meeting Date: | 3/2/2017 | | Department: | Development Services | |
| Subject | | | | | |
| Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 City of Austin Fee Schedule Ordinance No. 20160914-003 to change the fee for providing expedited building plan review. Related to Item 9. | | | | | |
| Amount and Source of Funding | | | | | |
| There is no revenue impact for this change. | | | | | |
| Fiscal Note | | | | | |
| A fiscal note is not required. | | | | | |
| Purchasing Language: | | | | | |
| Prior Council Action: | September 14, 2016 – City Council approved Ordinance No. 20160914-003 supporting the staffing and programmatic expenditures for the Expedited Building Plan Review Program. This ordinance also approved the continuation of the current \$389 Expedited Plan Review Fee. | | | | |
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| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action: | | | | | |
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| Related Items: | | | | | |

Additional Backup Information

The Expedited Building Plan Review Fee was approved through the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget Ordinance No. 20160914-003. The fee was developed in-house, and the Development Services Department committed to utilizing the fee consultant to review the fee. The fee consultant's review is completed, and recommendations to fee changes are as follows:

- Establish a Completeness Check Review Fee, with a two-hour minimum, that is separate from the plan review fee
- Establish separate fees for Residential Plan Review and Commercial Plan Review
- Utilize a two-hour minimum fee for Residential Plan Review
- Utilize a four-hour minimum fee for Commercial Plan Review
- Follow-up reviews that are less than an hour should not be charged a fee
- Follow-up reviews lasting more than an hour should be charged an hourly rate per discipline required for the follow-up review

The recommended fee changes will allow the department to fully recover the cost of the Expedited Building Plan Review Program.

