



CODES AND ORDINANCES JOINT COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, June 20, 2018

The Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 20, at 505 Barton Spring Road, One Texas Center, Room #500, in Austin, Texas.

Commissioner Greenberg called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Subcommittee Members in Attendance:

Betsy Greenberg
James Schissler
Ann Denkler

Karen McGraw
Patricia Seeger
Fayez Kazi

City Staff in Attendance:

Mike Personett, Watershed Protection Department
Kevin Shunk, Watershed Protection Department

Others in Attendance:

CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the April 18, 2018 meeting minutes.

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Commissioner Kazi, seconded by Commissioner Schissler. Vote: 6-0 (Commissioner Flores absent).

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Election of Officers: Elect a Codes and Ordinances Chair.** (Discussion and/or possible action).

A motion was made to elect Commissioner Seeger as Chair, by Commissioner Denkler, seconded by Commissioner Kazi. Vote: 6-0 (Commissioner Flores absent).

4. POTENTIAL CODE AMENDMENTS: Proposed for Discussion and/or Initiation

Potential amendments to the code are offered for discussion and/or possible recommendation for initiation. If initiated, Staff will research the proposal and report back to the subcommittee.

- a. Floodplain Regulations.** Discuss and consider initiation of amendments to Title 25 of the City Code related to floodplain regulations. City Staff: Kevin Shunk, Watershed Protection Department, (512) 974-9176, Kevin.Shunk@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Mike Personett and Kevin Shunk outlined needed changes to the code language describing floodplains and associated regulations, as a result of Atlas 14 findings. The findings suggest that rainfall rates have been increasing, and that existing code language describing different floodplains will need to be amended as a result.

A motion was made to recommend the item to full Planning Commission for initiation by Commissioner Denkler, seconded by Commissioner Seeger. Vote: 6-0 (Commissioner Flores absent).

5. REGULAR AGENDA: Previously Initiated

Previously initiated amendments to the code are offered for discussion and possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission.

- a. None.**

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Update on Potential Upcoming and Current Code Amendments** – City Staff: Greg Dutton, Planning and Zoning Department, 974-3509, Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Commissioners requested an updated list of all outstanding/in-process amendments.

No action taken.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items will NOT be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion, and/or possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission at a FUTURE meeting.

The item was not discussed and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Seeger adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:22 p.m.

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For more information on the Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee, please contact Greg Dutton at (512) 974-3509 or at greg.dutton@austintexas.gov