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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTIONS 25-1-21, 25-1-63, 25-4-157, AND 25-6-54 RELATING TO MITIGATION OF WILDFIRE RISK.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. City Code Section 25-1-21 (*Definitions*) is amended to add new definitions for “Fire Protection Plan” and “Wildland-Urban Interface Area” to read as follows and to renumber the remaining definitions accordingly:

(41) FIRE PROTECTION PLAN means a document prepared for a specific project or development proposed for the wildland-urban interface area that describes ways to minimize and mitigate the fire problems created by the project or development, with the purpose of reducing the effect on the community’s fire protection delivery system.

(133) WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE AREA means an area designated by the city council as one where conditions affecting the combustibility of both wildland and built fuels allow for the ignition and spread of fire through the combined fuel complex.

PART 2. Subsection (D) of City Code Section 25-1-63 (*Project Assessments*) is amended to read:

(D) A project assessment includes:

- (1) an explanation of the procedures and requirements of this title for the subdivision;
- (2) an identification of potential major issues for the project, including whether:
 - (a) the proposed land use conforms to the Comprehensive Plan and current zoning;
 - (b) proposed arterials, if any, comply with the Transportation Plan;
 - (c) proposed collector streets, if any, are adequate for the projected traffic;
 - (d) there are significant environmental issues;

(e) there is an official floodplain map delineated;

(f) there is a wildfire risk area map delineated;

(g)[(f)] adequate utilities are available; and

(h)[(g)] the proposed density is:

(i) consistent with the requirements of this title;

(ii) appropriate, considering the surrounding land use or zoning; and

(iii) consistent with watershed requirements.

PART 3. City Code Section 25-4-157 (*Access Streets*) is amended to add a new Subsection (C), to renumber existing Subsection (C) as Subsection (D), and to renumber the remaining subsections accordingly:

(C) A single-access street may be longer than 2,000 feet and serve more than 30 dwellings if the access street does not cross an area identified as an Wildland-Urban Interface Area as shown on the Austin Fire Department Wildfire Risk map.

PART 4. Subsection (B) of the City Code Section 25-6-54 (*Alignment*) is amended to read:

(B) The alignment of reserved right-of-way is based on:

(1) the alignment established in the Transportation Plan, collector plan, or capital improvement project; and

(2) engineering criteria related to the safe use and maintenance of public right-of-way, including grade, sight distance, turning radii, curvature, existing green infrastructure, and the existence of a flood plain or wildfire hazards.

PART 5. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 20__.

PASSED AND APPROVED

_____, 20____

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Kirk Watson
Mayor

APPROVED:

Anne L. Morgan
City Attorney

ATTEST:

Myrna Rios
City Clerk