



## Recommendation for Action

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### **Posting Language**

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending the School District Land Development Standards Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District related to site development standards associated with telecommunication towers.

### **Lead Department**

Development Services Department.

### **Prior Council Action:**

August 11, 1994 - Council approved Ordinance No. 940811-F authorizing execution of development agreements with Austin Independent School District (District).

June 16, 2022 - Council approved Resolution No. 20220616-090 directing the City Manager to prepare an agreement with the District relating to telecommunications facilities on District campuses and associated site development standards.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

January 11, 2023 - Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission approved the draft recommendation as edited on Chair Pitts' motion, Commissioner Yeatts' second on an 8-0 vote.

May 9, 2023 - To be reviewed by the Planning Commission.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 212.902, the purpose of the School District Land Development Standards Agreement (Agreement) between the City and the District is to establish consistent land development standards, review procedures, and review periods for public educational facilities constructed by the District within the City's corporate limits, limited purpose jurisdiction, or extraterritorial jurisdiction, as appropriate. The current agreement between the City and the District is set to expire on September 21, 2024.

This proposed amendment to the Agreement will support the District's efforts to improve access to telecommunication services on and around school campuses by establishing site development standards for the telecommunications towers on school campus property that will provide improved internet connectivity to students and their families in the surrounding community.

Staff recommends approval of the requested amendments to the Agreement to facilitate improved internet connectivity to students and their families.