## ORDINANCE NO. 20080306-072

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 25-1-23 OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO IMPERVIOUS COVER MEASUREMENT.

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

- **PART 1.** Section 25-1-23(B) (*Impervious Cover Measurement*) of the City Code is amended to read:
  - (B) Impervious cover excludes:
    - (1) pools;[,]
    - (2) ponds;[,]
    - (3) fountains; [, and]
    - (4) areas with gravel placed over pervious surfaces that are used only for landscaping or by pedestrians; and
    - (5) a subsurface portion of a parking structure if the director determines that:
      - (a) the subsurface portion of the structure:
        - (1) is located within the urban roadway boundary depicted in Figure 2
          of Subchapter E of Chapter 25-2 (Design Standards and Mixed
          Use), but outside the Barton Springs Zone;
        - (ii) is below the grade of the land that existed before the construction of the structure;
        - (iii) is covered by soil with a minimum depth of two feet and an average depth of not less than four feet; and
        - (iv) has an area not greater than fifteen percent of the site;
      - (b) the structure is not associated with a use regulated by Section 1.2.2 of Subchapter F of Chapter 25-2 (Residential Design and Compatibility Standards);
      - (c) the applicant submits an assessment of the presence and depth of groundwater at the site sufficient to determine whether groundwater will need to be discharged or impounded; and

(d) the discharge or impoundment of groundwater from the structure, if any, will be managed to avoid adverse effects on public health and safety, the environment, and adjacent property.

PART 2. This ordinance takes effect on March 17, 2008.

## PASSED AND APPROVED

**APPROVED:** 

David Allan Smith City Attorney ATTEST: Uponie