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## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	9080	Agenda Number	89.
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Meeting Date:	8/18/2011	Department:	Planning and Development Review
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## Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending Section 25-12-153, Article 6 of the City Code (Plumbing Code) to amend local amendments. (Suggested date and time: September 22, 2011 4:00 p.m., at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX.)

## Amount and Source of Funding

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	October 1, 2010 - Council adopted the 2009 Plumbing Code, as well as local amendments.
For More Information:	Dan McNabb, 974-2752; Rick Holloway, 974-2358; Leon Barba 974-7254
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Mechanical Plumbing and Solar Board.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

The Uniform Plumbing Code provides a national standard for Plumbing installations. The proposed ordinance amends the currently adopted local amendments to create consistency within the technical codes and to improve water conservation and create a positive environmental impact.

Highlights of the local amendments include:

- Creating consistency with installation of water heaters.
- Adding an exception for the installation of hose bibbs on rain water.
- Prohibiting the use of potable water for once through cooling of commercial equipment.
- Elevator discharge containment system for improved environmental protection.
- Requiring self closing metered faucets to improve water conservation.
- Water closets average consumption of water of a maximum of 1.28 gallon per flush.

These changes in the Local Amendments have no impact on housing affordability.