

## ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REVIEW SHEET

**Amendment:** C20-2014-010

**Description:** Consider an ordinance amending Title 25 of the City Code relating to parkland dedication requirements and subdivision plat notes.

**Proposed Language:** See attached draft ordinance for details.

### Summary

- Allows for the amendment of plat notes that restrict residential development such that residential development is allowed as long as parkland dedication fees are paid.

**Background:** Initiated by Planning Commission on May 27, 2014.

Starting in the mid-1980s, the City of Austin required parkland dedication fees to be paid at subdivision. To avoid these fees (which are only required for residential development), some property owners chose to create a plat note stating that no residential uses would be built. Today, these plat notes sometimes make it difficult to obtain loans for residential construction on property where a plat note states that no residential uses may be built; the proposed code amendment will create a way for said plat note to be amended (but not removed) so that residential development may occur, so long as parkland dedication occurs.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends the proposed code amendment.

### **Board and Commission Actions**

**July 15, 2014:** Recommended by the Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee on a 5-0 vote.

**July 22, 2014:** Approved by the Planning Commission on a 5-0 vote.

### **Council Action**

**August 7, 2014:** A public hearing has been scheduled.

**Ordinance Number:** NA

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