

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Commissioners Court Meeting

Item ID 36738 Agenda Number 56.

Meeting Date:10/2/2014Department:Neighborhood and Community
Development

Subject

Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 related to safe, mixed income, accessible, and reasonably priced transit oriented housing. (Suggested date and time: October 23, 2014, 4:00 pm at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd 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:	April 10, 2014 – Council approved Resolution No. 20140410-026.
For More Information:	Contact Elizabeth Spencer, Director, 512-974-3182; or Regina Copic, Real Estate & Development Manager, 512-974-3180
Boards and Commission Action:	September 9, 2014: Community Development Commission voted to support the recommendations of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. September 23, 2014: To be reviewed by the Planning Commission.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This action will set a public hearing to receive public comment to consider the approval of an ordinance that would amend the Program Requirements for S.M.A.R.T. HousingTM related to transit orientation. This ordinance is being brought forth for Mayor and Council's consideration per Council Resolution No. 20140410-026.

Proposed code changes for S.M.A.R.T. HousingTM:

- Require development location to be within ½ mile walking distance of a transit route at time of application
- The Director may waive the transit-oriented requirements for developments if they meet the following criteria:
 - 1. Location within a high opportunity area as identified by the Director and established in the program

guidelines.

OR

2. Application includes a letter from Capital Metro confirming that a future route is documented in agency plans.