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Part XX. Subsection (B) of City Code Section 2-1-71 is amended to read:

(B) The Commission shall serve as an advisory body to the city council on all budgetary and policy matters concerning public safety, including matters related to the Austin Police Department, the Austin Fire Department, and the Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services Department. The Commission shall make recommendations on matters related to long-range planning of public safety departments, departmental budgets, coordination of comprehensive planning initiatives, access to and expenditure of state and federal grant funds, and other related public safety matters. The committee shall advise the Downtown Austin Community Court on policy and operational issues.

Part. XX. City Code Section 2-1-122 is amended to read:

§ 2-1-122 BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION.

(A) The Building and Standards Commission is established to hear cases concerning alleged violations of the City's regulations and ordinances relating to the condition of and minimum standards for the maintenance of existing residential and nonresidential structures, premises, property, and establishments. The commission consists of two panels. The panels may schedule their meetings and divide their caseloads to hear cases efficiently.

(B) Each panel consists of 11 members. Each member of each panel is appointed for a term of two years or until a successor is appointed and qualified. A vacancy is filled for the unexpired term.

(C) The fire marshal and the health authority [~~representative~~] are ex officio members of each panel of the commission. [~~The code official shall also serve as the commission's executive secretary.~~] An ex officio member may designate a representative to attend a hearing.

(D) The code official or the code official's designee shall present cases to each panel and keep each panel's records.

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(E) [(D)] The city council may remove a commission member [~~or alternate member~~] for cause on a written charge. Before a decision regarding removal is made, the city council must hold a public hearing on the matter if requested by the commission member who is subject to the removal action.

(F) [(E)] Each panel of the [~~The~~] Building and Standards Commission shall have the powers and duties granted by, and shall comply with the procedures of, Texas Local Government Code Chapter 54, Subchapter C (Quasi- Judicial Enforcement Of Health And Safety Ordinances), Texas Local Government Code Chapter 214 (Municipal Regulation of Housing and Other Structures), Subchapter A (Dangerous Structures), City Code Chapter 4-14 (Registration of Rental Property), and City Code Chapter 25-12, Article 9 (International Property Maintenance Code).

Part XX. City Code Section 2-1-130 (*Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee*) is repealed and the section number is reserved for expansion. All references to the Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee in the City Code are changed to the Public Safety Commission.