

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Special Called meeting on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Adler called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

1. Discussion related to the adoption and implementation of CodeNEXT and to CodeNEXT proposed regulations.

Presentation was made by Greg Guernsey, Planning and Development Director, Peter Park, Peter Park Consulting and John Miki, Opticos Design Inc.. The following topics were discussed:

1. ARTICLE 10 – RESIDENTIAL DESIGN STANDARDS

Direction was given to provide a chart with numbers comparing the square footage difference under the draft version versus the existing version; to provide modeling that compares the Single Family Compatibility Ordinance Requirements under, 1) existing single family 3 regulations, 2) Transect Zoning 3 Intermediate Setback/Transect Zoning 4 Intermediate Setback, 3)non-transect residential zoning Low Density Residential (LDR)/Low-Medium Density Residential (LMDR) using either a 50' x 115' tract or a 60' x 100' tract for the example above (whichever is more typical citywide); that in the next revision, to provide a tool that can preserve existing house stock; and to provide information on how garages factor into the new McMansion standards.

2. ARTICLE 10 – COMPATIBILITY

Direction was given to staff to model the following scenarios; with the current code: Limited Office within 35' of a residence, when that residence is across a 30' street, Limited Retail within 35' of a residence, when that residence is across a 30' street; with the proposed new code: T4MS within 35' of a residence, when that residence is across a 30' street from the T4MS zone, T5MS within 35' of a residence, when that residence is across a 30' street from the T5MS zone. For each scenario, show the maximum building height for both the residential and the commercial structure; provide information, or modeling to illustrate how compatibility would work around alleys in transect zones; provide details to help illustrate the difference in compatibility among transect zones, non-transect zones, and current code; and provide information to which level of compatibility applies in areas where parcels have both transect and non-transect zoning.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 15th day of June 2017 on Council Member Garza's motion, Council Member Houston's second on an 11-0 vote.