



CODES AND ORDINANCES JOINT COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, December 12,
2018

The Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 12, at 505 Barton Spring Road, One Texas Center, Room #500, in Austin, Texas.

Commissioner Seeger called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

Subcommittee Members in Attendance:

James Schissler
Karen McGraw
Betsy Greenberg

Ann Denkler
Patricia Seeger
Fayez Kazi

City Staff in Attendance:

Lyndi Garwood, Planning and Zoning Department
Mark Walters, Planning and Zoning Department
Matt Hollon, Watershed Protection Department
Andrea Bates, Watershed Protection Department
Mike Personett, Watershed Protection Department
Kelly Strickler, Watershed Protection Department
Kevin Shunk, Watershed Protection Department

Others in Attendance:

Daniel Salazar
John Knowl
Ron Thrower
Victoria Haase
Andrea Ramos
Carl McArthur

CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the September 19, 2018 meeting minutes.

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Commissioner Kazi, seconded by Commissioner Schissler. Vote: 6-0.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. None.

4. POTENTIAL CODE AMENDMENTS: Proposed for Discussion and/or Initiation

Potential amendments to the code are offered for discussion and/or possible recommendation for initiation. If initiated, Staff will research the proposal and report back to the subcommittee.

- a. None.

5. REGULAR AGENDA: Previously Initiated

Previously initiated amendments to the code are offered for discussion and possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission.

- a. **Floodplain Regulations.** Discuss and consider initiation of amendments to Title 25 of the City Code related to floodplain regulations. City Staff: Kevin Shunk, Watershed Protection Department, (512) 974-9176, Kevin.Shunk@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Kevin Shunk went over a presentation outlining needed changes to the LDC to reflect an updated understanding of rainfall, based on ATLAS 14. In Austin, the floodplain maps will change to reflect ATLAS 14; what was the 500 year floodplain will become the 100 year floodplain, and what was the 100 year floodplain will become the 25 year floodplain (roughly). A new redevelopment exception is being recommended, including an allowance to redevelop in the floodplain if freeboard is increased.

A motion was made to recommend the item to PC by Commissioner Kazi, seconded by Commissioner McGraw. Vote: 6-0.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. **Update on Potential Upcoming and Current Code Amendments** – City Staff: Greg Dutton, Planning and Zoning Department, 974-3509, Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

The item was not discussed and no action was taken, but the item will be discussed at a future meeting.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items will NOT be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion, and/or possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission at a FUTURE meeting.

The item was not discussed and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Seeger adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:52 p.m.

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For more information on the Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee, please contact Greg Dutton at (512) 974-3509 or at greg.dutton@austintexas.gov