



**Austin City Code Amendment
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance amending Section 2-10-32 of the City Code to expand the jurisdictional boundaries of the Downtown Austin Community Court.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Municipal Court
DEPARTMENT:

**DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION:** Rebecca Stark

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Toomey, DACC Administrator, 974-2626

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: Recommended by the Council Judicial Committee.

The Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) was established in 1999 to provide rehabilitative services to, or require restitution by, individuals committing "quality-of-life" class 'c' cases in the downtown area. The current jurisdictional boundaries, which are the same as the original boundaries, are:

- a. beginning at the intersection of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Lamar Boulevard (North);
- b. south on Lamar Boulevard (North) to the north shore of Town Lake;
- c. east along the north shore of Town Lake to the IH-35 West Frontage Road;
- d. north on the IH-35 West Frontage Road to the intersection of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard; and
- e. west on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to the intersection of Lamar Boulevard (North), the place of beginning.

Requests for expansion of the Community Court were first made by East Austin representatives upon observing the success of the court in the downtown area. The DACC staff supports these requests, and the expanded jurisdiction is comfortably within the case flow and administrative capabilities of the DACC staff. This ordinance expands the jurisdictional boundaries to include:

- a. the area bounded by Lamar Boulevard, West 29th Street, Guadalupe Street and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard; and
- b. the area bounded by IH- 35, 7th Street, Chicon Street, and the north shore of Town Lake.

Expansion will allow the DACC to provide rehabilitative services to individuals committing class 'c' "quality-of-life" offenses outside the current jurisdiction and require that these individuals complete restitution to the neighborhoods in the form of community service. It is expected that the expansion areas will see the same reduction in "quality-of-life" crimes as the downtown area has seen over the past four years.

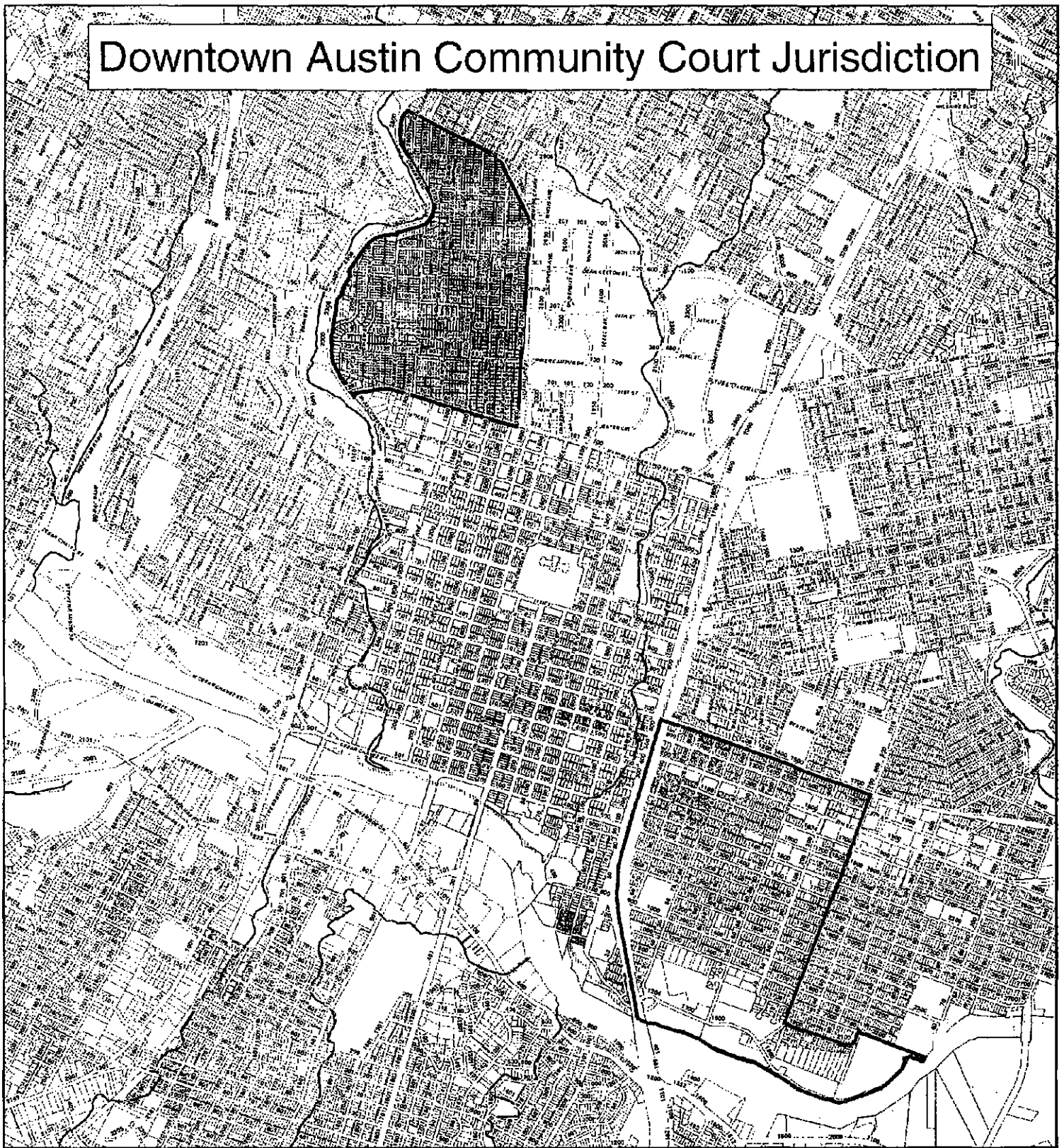





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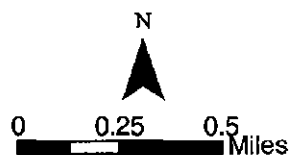
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The DACC, the East Austin Neighborhood Association, the West Campus Neighborhood Associations, and the Council Judicial Committee recommended this initiative. The expansion will be completed without any additional personnel or resources.

Downtown Austin Community Court Jurisdiction



-  Current Jurisdiction
-  Proposed West Campus Jurisdiction
-  Proposed East Austin Jurisdiction



City of Austin
Austin Water Utility



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ORDINANCE NO.

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2-10 OF THE CITY CODE
RELATING TO THE DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. Subsection 2-10-32(A) of the Code is amended to read:

§ 2-10-32 OFFENSES ADJUDICATED.

(A) The Downtown Austin Community Court may hear cases relating to Class C misdemeanor offenses and City Code violations that occur in the following area, including the outside curb line of a street or highway:

- (1) beginning at the intersection of 29th Street (West) and Lamar Boulevard (North);
- (2) south on Lamar Boulevard (North) to the north shore of Town Lake;
- (3) east along the north shore of Town Lake to Chicon Street;
- (4) north on Chicon Street to Seventh Street (East);
- (5) west on Seventh Street (East) to the IH-35 West Frontage Road;
- (6) north on the IH-35 West Frontage Road to the intersection of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard;
- (7) west on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to the intersection of Guadalupe Street; and
- (8) north on Guadalupe Street to the intersection of Lamar Boulevard (North), the place of beginning.

PART 2. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2004.

PASSED AND APPROVED

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_____, 2004

Will Wynn
Mayor

APPROVED: _____
David Allan Smith
City Attorney

ATTEST: _____
Shirley A. Brown
City Clerk