

TO:Mayor and CouncilFROM:Gregory I. Guernsey, AICP
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Introduction

Greetings from the CodeNEXT team. This memo supplements our usual, monthly Council update regarding CodeNEXT because we wanted to communicate with you on two specific issues.

Code Advisory Group

Council Resolution 20150521-026 reconstituted the Land Development Code Advisory Group (CAG) after September 30, 2015, specifying that it should consist of 17 members. The Resolution specified that the Mayor would appoint two members and each Council Member would appoint one member (for a total of 12 members), with those appointments being made by September 1, 2015. The Resolution further specified that five additional CAG members should be designated by Council Committees, bringing the total to 17. Council Resolution 20150806-048 expanded the membership from 17 to 18, with the 18th member being nominated by the joint committee (and approved by City Council) consisting of representatives from the City, AISD Board of Trustees, and Travis County Commissioners Court.

To date (and to our knowledge), the following appointments/designations include:

- Mayor Adler: none
- MPT Tovo: none
- CM Houston: Elizabeth Mueller
- CM Garza: none
- CM Renteria: Sarah Linares
- CM Casar: none
- CM Kitchen: Eleanor McKinney
- CM Zimmerman: none
- CM Pool: Kevin Wier

- CM Troxclair: none
- CM Gallo: none
- City of Austin/AISD Board of Trustees/Travis County Commissioners Court Joint Committee: Susan Moffat
- Planning and Neighborhoods Committee: Dave Sullivan
- Open Space, Environment, and Sustainability Committee: Lauren Ice
- Housing and Community Development Committee: Mandy De Mayo
- Mobility Committee: none
- Economic Opportunity Committee: none

With the current CAG "sunsetting" September 30th and the new CAG taking effect October 1st, and with significant upcoming CodeNEXT events such as the November Code Workshop on the horizon, the project will benefit greatly from these appointments being made as expeditiously as possible. We plan on providing the new CAG with an "orientation" once the membership is rounded out. Thank you for your help with this.

November Code Workshop

We are now in "high gear" planning for the Code Workshop as well as a slate of engaging and fun public events to complement the significant hard work that will be done during the Workshop. We are performing a thorough analysis and documentation regarding each of the seven Focus Areas that tested at the Workshop:

- Major Corridor: Lamar Boulevard between Justin and Denson.
- Minor Corridor + Medium Node: Oltorf and S. 1st.
- Major Center: Slaughter at Manchaca.
- Minor/Neighborhood Node (two): Stassney and Nuckols Crossing; 12th and Hargrave.
- Highway Node/Frontage: 183 at McNeil/Spicewood Springs.
- Commercial Node/Urban Context: MLK between Chicon and Poquito.

We will share with you soon the full schedule for the Workshop and other public events.

Conclusion

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to Imagine Austin and CodeNEXT.

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