What is CodeNEXT?

- CodeNEXT is the City of Austin initiative to revise the Land Development Code.
- The goal of CodeNEXT is to revise our land use standards and regulations to:
  - Preserve and enhance the best qualities of our communities
  - Be fair, predictable, and easy to use
  - Align with Imagine Austin’s vision, policies, growth concept map, and priority programs
Land Development Code

Guides how land is used

WHAT can be built
WHERE it can be built
HOW much can be built
integrate nature into the city
“green infrastructure is strategically planned and managed networks of natural lands, parks, working landscapes, other open spaces, and green stormwater controls that conserve and enhance ecosystems and provide associated benefits to human populations.”

imagine austin
ecosystem services

the benefits of nature to households, communities, and economies

food
air quality
property values
erosion control
recreation
shade
education
water quality
beauty
climate regulation
hazard mitigation

water supply
habitat
protect.

Highland Mall

buried creek
protect.

unique places

natural resources

sensitive features
protect.

flooded structures
protect.

community space

floodplain

health and safety

Cherry Creek
absorb.

potable irrigation

stormwater runoff
absorb.
infiltration
rainwater harvesting
cool.

urban heat island

asphalt
cool.
green roof
shade trees
landscape
connect.

no space for trail

mowed channel
connect.

riparian zone

wildlife habitat

trail
CodeNEXT Schedule

• January 30: Draft code released for public review
• April 18: Draft map released for public review
• September: Planning/Zoning & Platting Commissions
• December/January: City Council (1st reading)
• March/April: City Council (2nd/3rd reading)
Get Involved!

- [austintexas.gov/codenext](austintexas.gov/codenext)
- Online survey
- Code comment tool
- Attend open houses/topic talks
- Sign up for email alerts
- Request a presentation
- Submit a Viewpoint paper
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