



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

From: Greg Guernsey, Director *GG*
Planning and Development Review Department

Date: July 9, 2013

RE: Timeline for "PUD Affordable Housing" Code Amendment

Staff is requesting additional time to process the code amendment "PUD Affordable Housing," initiated at the June 6, 2013, City Council meeting, via Resolution 20130606-051:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:
The City Council initiates amendments to the PUD section of the City Code such that the affordable housing requirement, and fee in lieu of, are calculated using the amount of building square footage in the proposed PUD that exceeds the baseline height or floor to area ratio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:
The City Manager is directed to process the Code amendment and to present the proposed amendments to the Community Development Commission for review, in addition to the Code-required Planning Commission review, before placement on the City Council agenda.

ADDITIONAL DIRECTION FROM THE DAIS:

1. Work with NHCD to determine whether or not the existing fee-in-lieu option of the PUD ordinance is properly calibrated.
2. Consider language clarifying that the baseline zoning assigned should match current zoning as much as possible.
3. Bring the amendments back for Council consideration in 60 days.

Staff is requesting additional time, beyond the Council-directed 60 day time frame, for the following reasons:

1. Mr. Rusthoven will be out of office for approximately three weeks during June and July, making it difficult to schedule necessary meetings between City departments, any necessary stakeholder meetings, and the Council Resolution-directed and code-required review of this amendment by certain Commissions, some of which meet only once per month.
2. The following boards and commissions, per Council Resolution 20130606-051, will review the proposed code amendment:
 - Community Development Commission: August 13, 2013
 - Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee of the Planning Commission: August 20, 2013
 - Planning Commission: August 27, 2013

Staff anticipates having this item on the August 29, 2013, Council agenda for a public hearing.

CC: Marc Ott
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