City Council
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**Code Prescription:** 

# Fiscal Health

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### What we will cover

- 1. Existing conditions
- 2. Austin's vision for fiscal health
- 3. Code Prescriptions
- 4. Next steps

# **Existing Conditions: Public Infrastructure**









# **Existing Conditions: LDC Standards**

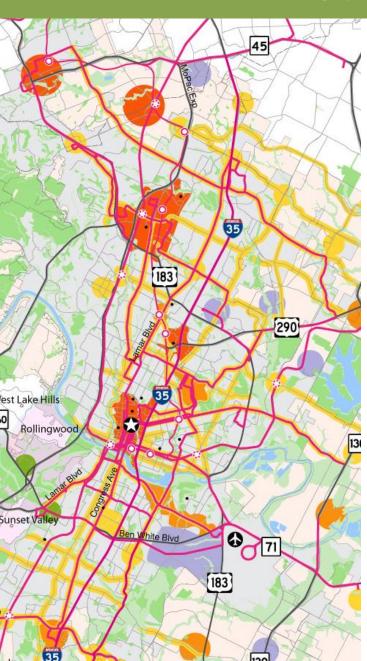








#### Fiscal Health: Austin

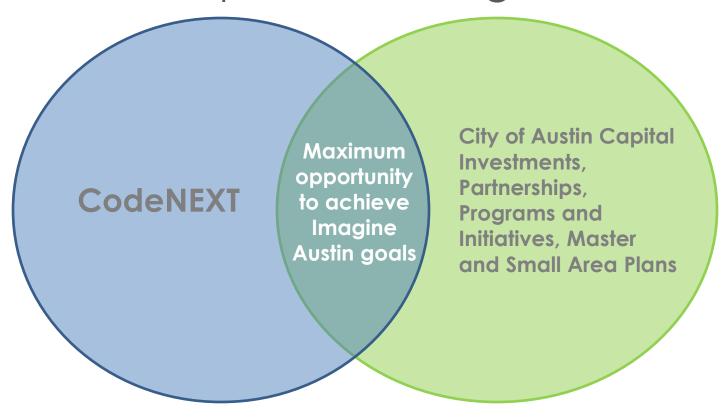


#### **Vision:**

Provide adequate, uninterrupted service to citizens regardless of any unforeseen economic or demographic changes.

## Imagine Austin

Tools to implement Imagine Austin





## Moving toward long-term financial stability



#### What can the LDC do:

- Facilitate fiscally sound investment for both public and private interests
- Apply transect and conventional code in strategic locations that maximize public investment and minimize long term obligations

## **Code Prescriptions Overview**

- A. Build
- **B.** Maintain
- C. Serve
- D. Be Strategic

#### **Build: Where we are**

- Case-by-case negotiations
- Need to improve coordination
- Need to improve connectivity
- High cost of off-site capital improvements
- Strain on existing infrastructure







## **Build: What's the Prescription?**

#### 1. Build to city standards

 Private infrastructure required to meet City standards

#### 2. Connect the networks

 Coordinate placement of utilities and street connectivity in subdivisions from the beginning

#### 3. Reduce the regional impact

 On-site mitigation with district in mind

#### 4. Street Impact Fees





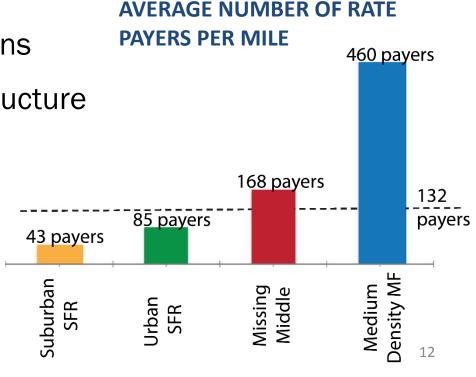


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#### Maintain: Where we are

- Low density = high maintenance costs
- Cul-de-sacs as publicly funded private drives
- Outdated street cross-sections
- Privately maintained infrastructure
- Conflicting standards



## Maintain: What's the Prescription?

#### 1. Compact & Connected

- Reduces length of utility lines while increasing customers per mile
- 2. Align City standards
- 3. Privately maintained, publicly accessible
- Credit for privately maintained parkland
- 4. Coordinate with Mobility Plan









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## Serve: Where we are

- Need to improve service delivery
- Increased service costs
- Costly review process







## Serve: What's the Prescription?

#### 1. New subdivision provisions

More connected, clearer standards

#### 2. Long term growth strategy

 Create areas of customers, improve connectivity for emergency services

#### 3. New process and procedures

 Predictable timeframes and application path







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## Strategic: Where we are

- Financing current development patterns
- Old vs. new
- Need to coordinate plans with Imagine Austin







## Strategic: What's the Prescription?

#### 1. Public-Private partnerships

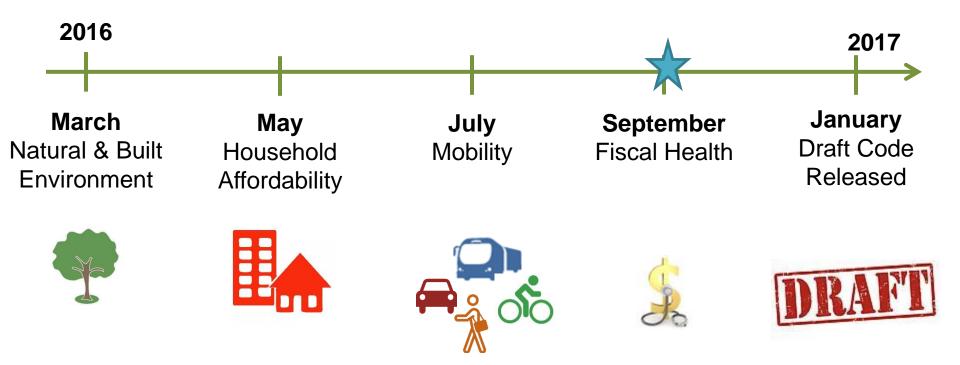
- Toolkit to attract private capital investment
- 2. Capital Improvement Program
- Focus on Strategic Investment Areas
- 3. Reinforce Centers & Corridors
- 4. Development bonuses
- 5. Parkland Dedication and CIP
- 6. Align with Transportation Plan







#### Schedule for the 4 Code Prescription Papers



# Questions?

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