



**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING CODES AND ORDINANCES JOINT COMMITTEE
MINUTES Thursday, May 5, 2022**

The Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, May 5, at 1000 E. 11th St, Street Jones Building, Room 400A, Austin, TX 78702.

Chair Barrera-Ramirez called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

Subcommittee Members in Attendance:

Ann Denkler

Claire Hempel (Vice-Chair)

Awais Azhar

Todd Shaw

Jolene Kiolbassa

City Staff in Attendance:

Susan Daniels, Corridor Program Office

Donna Galati, Project Connect Office

Liz Johnston, Watershed Protection

Katie Coyne, Watershed Protection

CALL TO ORDER

1. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:** Speakers signed up prior to commencement of the meeting will be allowed to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

- a. None.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of the March 16, 2022, meeting minutes.

The item was postponed to a future agenda without objection.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. None.

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. None.

5. POTENTIAL CODE AMENDMENTS: Proposed for Discussion and/or Initiation

Potential amendments to the code are offered for discussion and/or possible recommendation for initiation. If initiated, Staff will research the proposal and report back to the subcommittee.

- a. **South Central Waterfront Regulating Plan.** Consider initiation of amendments to Title 25 of the City Code related to the South Central Waterfront planning area. City Staff: Greg Dutton, Housing and Planning and Department, (512) 974-3509, greg.dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Greg Dutton went over the need for an amendment to Title 25 to be initiated to implement the South Central Waterfront Regulating Plan, which is a bonus program that will be amended to the LDC, much the way the University Neighborhood Overlay works today. This item was combined with the briefing item on the same topic.

A motion was made to recommend that the Planning Commission initiate the item, by Commissioner Azhar, seconded by Commissioner Shaw. Vote: 5-0. (Commissioner Barrera-Ramirez absent). An amendment to the motion was made by Commissioner Kiolbassa, seconded by Commissioner Denkler, vote 5-0 (Commissioner Barrera-Ramirez absent), to add the following items:

- Exploration of possible funding to do outreach and community engagement
- A summary of differences in entitlements between baseline zoning and bonus entitlements
- Exploration of funding for an analysis of costs and benefits of the plan

6. REGULAR AGENDA: Previously Initiated

Previously initiated amendments to the code are offered for discussion and possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission.

- a. **Public Mobility Projects in the Right-of-Way.** Consider an ordinance amending Title 25 of the City Code to address design and construction of public mobility projects and associated utility projects in the City's right-of-way. City Staff: Susan Daniels, Corridor Program Office, (512) 974- 7916, susan.daniels@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Susan Daniels went over a suite of amendments to the Land Development Code that will make corridor projects easier to implement in Austin, including changes to watershed impervious cover calculations, and water quality transition zones.

A motion was made to recommend the item to Planning Commission, by Commissioner Azhar, seconded by Commissioner Hempel. Vote: 5-0. (Commissioner Barrera-Ramirez absent). An amendment to the motion was made by Commissioner Azhar, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, vote 5-0 (Commissioner Barrera-Ramirez absent), to add the following items:

- Additional input from the Environmental Commission.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. **BRIEFING: South Central Waterfront Regulating Plan.** Update on potential changes to Title 25 of the City Code related to the South Central Waterfront planning area. City Staff: Greg Dutton, Housing and Planning and Department, (512) 974-3509, greg.dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion).

Combined with item 3a. No action taken.

- b. **Update on Potential Upcoming and Current Code Amendments** – City Staff: Greg Dutton, Housing and Planning and Department, (512) 974-3509, Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

The item was not discussed and no action taken.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items will NOT be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion, and/or possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission at a FUTURE meeting

- a. **None.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Barrera-Ramirez adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:09 pm.

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