

Republic Square Conditional Use Permit Parks Board Meeting May 23, 2022

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WHO, WHAT AND WHY

WHO is involved: City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department and the Downtown Austin Alliance Foundation

WHAT is the purpose: Permit the consumption of alcohol at the designated areas in Republic Square

WHY are we here: To align current permit with City of Austin Land Development Code



Republic Square Conditional Use Permit (CUP)

OVERVIEW AND BACKGROUND

Republic Square park renovation completed in Fall 2017

Salt & Time Café received a TABC permit and began the sale of alcohol from vendor on park premises in 2020

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

CUP required for sale of alcohol on public property

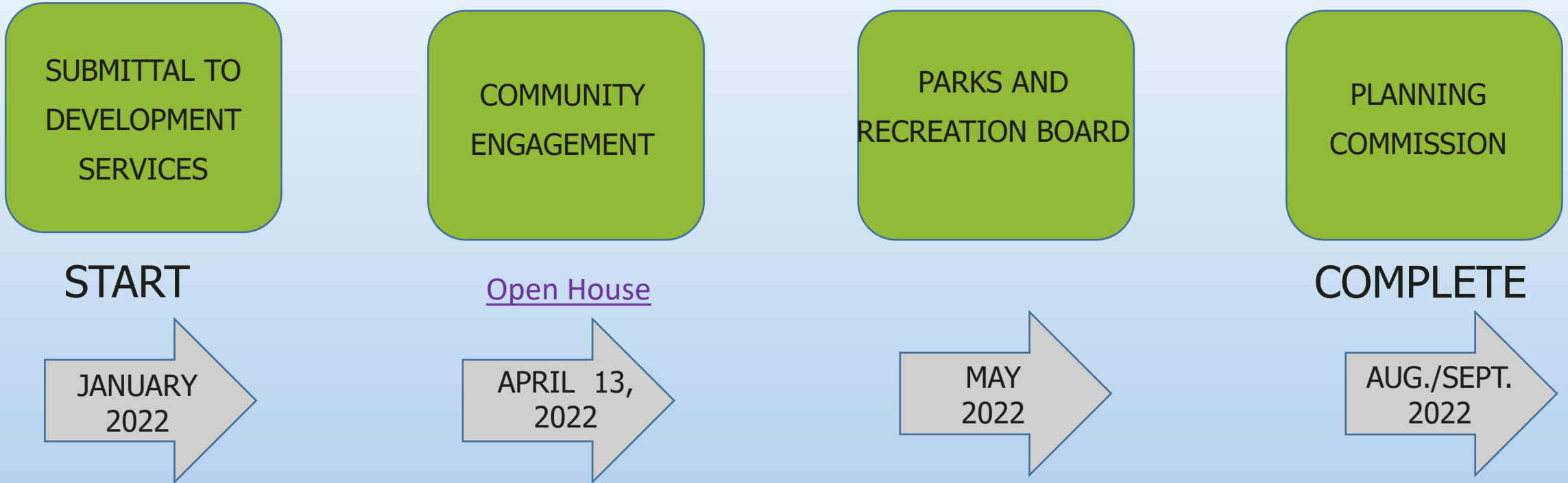
CUP changes the zoning of the property from 'PUBLIC' to PARK AND RECREATION SERVICES (SPECIAL)' which will permit the sale of alcohol on the grounds

The CUP does not apply to special events. Events at Republic Square will continue to need a separate agreement for alcohol sales.



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CUP PROCESS

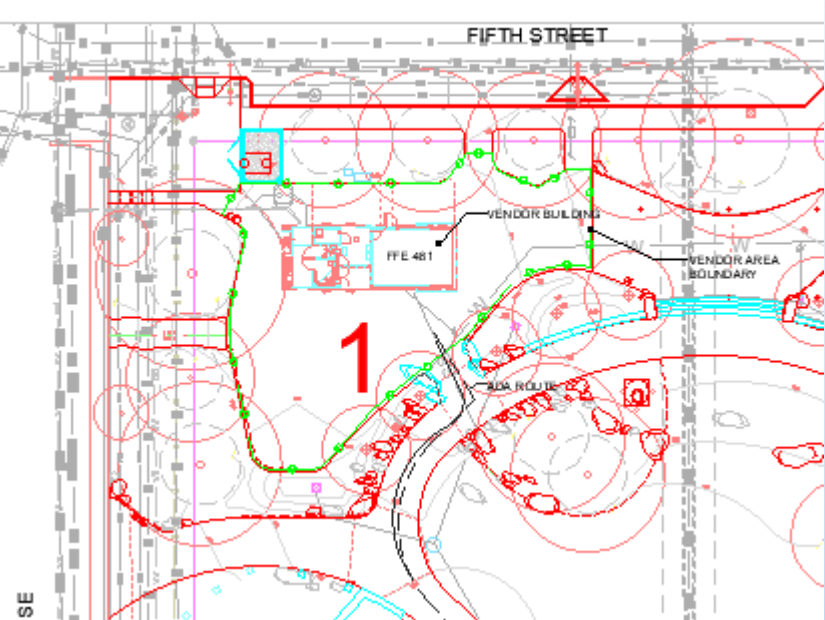


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Events at Republic Square have a separate agreement for alcohol sale and area.



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Republic Square



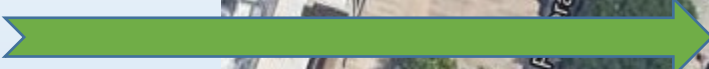
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TOTAL CUP/ALCOHOL USE AREA: 5600 SF. OR 0.12 ACRES
 PROPOSE USE PARK: PARK AND RECREATION SERVICES (SPECIAL)
 TOTAL AREA OF PROPOSED ALCOHOL USE : 5600 SF. OR 0.12 ACRES

BUILDING INFORMATION

USE: 400 SQUARE FEET

- SINGLE STORY BUILDING
- FINISHED FLOOR ELEVATION 481.00
- CONCRETE SLAB FOUNDATION
- 400 SQUARE FEET BUILDING
- CONCESSION STAND AND RESTROOM



Park Context



TEXAS ALCOHOL BEVERAGE COMMISSION

- The license allows for the sale of alcohol on-premises and in designated areas.
- Permit issued for a 2-year duration and is renewable.
- Austin Police Department can issue citations for consumption of alcohol outside of defined boundaries.
- No one under the age of 18 can sell alcohol. No one under the age of 21 can consume alcohol.



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OPERATIONAL PLAN

- Downtown Austin Alliance Park Ambassadors are present to ensure compliance with CUP from 6 am to 10 pm daily.
- Downtown Austin Alliance Foundation agreement with the vendor to adhere to TABC guidelines.



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EXAMPLES OF URBAN PARKS WHERE ALCOHOL SALE IS ALLOWED

DALLAS

- Klyde Warren Park
- Tietze Park
- Crowley Park

HOUSTON

- Discovery Green
- Market Square Park

San Antonio

- Hemis Fair
- Tower of the Americas
- La Villita
- Market Square
- River Walk

AUSTIN

- Waterloo Greenway



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Action Requested of Parks Board:

- Support CUP for Republic Square

Next Steps:

- Planning Commission – request approval of CUP

Questions?

Thank You



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