
Registration Now Open for February 24 Stakeholder Meeting

Please plan to join the City of Austin Development Services Department (DSD) for our next quarterly stakeholder meeting. DSD leaders will provide a variety of departmental updates and answer your questions about our services.

When: Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 2:30 - 4 p.m.

Where: [Zoom Webinar](#)

Online access (preferred): To participate in this webinar using your computer or other online device, please make sure you have a [Zoom account](#). Please [register in advance](#). After registering, you will receive an email with information about how to join the meeting.

Phone access (limited participation): Call 346.248.7799 to join by phone. Please be aware that phone participants will have limited participation options and will be unable to view presentation materials during the meeting.

- Webinar ID: 949 4632 2040
- Passcode: 918563

An agenda will be posted online prior to the meeting. It will be [available here](#).

If you have difficulty registering or have other questions regarding this meeting, please email DSEngagementUnit@austintexas.gov. We look forward to joining you online on February 24.

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OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS

More Proposed Technical Codes Coming Next Week: Beginning February 22, proposed amendments for local adoption of the International Residential Code, the International Building Code and International Existing Building Code will be available for review and input. Comments and questions related to the Uniform Mechanical Code and Uniform Plumbing Code proposed amendments will be accepted through February 21. All of DSD's proposed amendments to these Technical Codes [are available here](#) for your review.

Intake Processing Timelines Updated Weekly: An unusually high volume of building plan submittals continues to contribute to longer processing times for those applications. Estimated processing timelines are now posted on the [Residential](#) and [Commercial](#) Plan Review webpages, and information is updated by 10 a.m. each Monday (or Tuesday when Monday is a holiday). We will keep you informed as DSD continues to take steps to address these intake delays.

AB+C Portal Replacement Postponed: The launch of the newly improved Austin Build + Connect (AB+C) Portal has been postponed until March. More information, including online learning opportunities, will be available prior to the release.

Equity Assessment Now Available: As part of a broader effort to understand how our work affects the community, DSD is conducting its first-ever [Equity Survey](#). The results of this anonymous survey will be incorporated into the creation of a departmental Equity Action Plan. The goal of this project is to combat systemic racism by supporting equitable outcomes related to the services we provide. This [brief survey](#) should take no more than 15 minutes to complete. Thank you for taking the time to tell us your story!

Update Fridays Extended: The Residential Plan Review Team will continue to reserve Fridays exclusively for reviewing project updates. This effort began in January as a pilot project to help reduce overall delays in residential reviews. The initiative is now scheduled to remain in place through June. Staff is still available for your phone calls and emails during regular business hours Monday through Thursday.

Services Closed for Presidents' Day: City of Austin offices, including DSD online services and inspections, will be closed on Monday, February 15, in observance of Presidents' Day.

Thank you for your continued interest in Development Services topics.

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