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Land Development Code Advisory Group Meeting #12 Minutes

December 16, 2013 at 4:00 pm
City Hall, 1st floor, Room 1027 (Executive Session)
301 W. 2nd St., Austin, Texas 78701

Imagine Austin Priority Program: Revise Austin's land development regulations and processes to promote a compact and connected city (*Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, p. 207-210*).

Charge to Advisory Group: Assist in public outreach and provide feedback on development and implementation of a revised land development code (*Resolution #20121206-074*).

Meeting Objective: Collaborate with staff and outreach consultants on the Community Character Workshops.

1. Review approach for the Community Character Workshops. Diane Miller from Civic Collaboration presented the format and outline of the Community Character Workshops to be held in January, 2014. Staff will explore the possibility of showing the Imagine Austin growth concept map in relation to neighborhood maps.
2. Update on outreach activities. Sebastian Puente from Cultural Strategies reported that the team has made 22 small group presentations and conducted interviews with 78 stakeholders. He also discussed the Ambassador program. Advisory Group members also discussed their outreach activities .
3. Agenda for next meeting. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 15, at 8:00 AM, with a presentation by Dan Parolek from Opticos Design. Advisory Group members identified these possible topics for future meetings:
 - Regular status reports on pending code amendments and plans including the subdivision ordinance, watershed protection ordinance, South Shore Central plan, and South Austin Combined Neighborhood Plan
 - Regular agenda item on the Advisory Group's work product
 - Organizational structure
 - State law on mandatory approval of subdivisions

- Development review process and how to correlate with the Code revision
 - Subcommittee to prepare a work plan for the Advisory Group
4. Public comments. Members of the public commented on the need for deadlines in the Community Character exercise, for a better explanation of how input will be used, and for connecting with policies in Imagine Austin.