



The Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) has proposed rules for the administration of the Parkland Dedication Ordinance amended by Council in January of 2016. The rule for adoption is posted with the City Clerk at [http://austintexas.gov/cityclerk/notices/occ\\_notices.htm](http://austintexas.gov/cityclerk/notices/occ_notices.htm). The public may comment on the rule through August 1, 2016.

The rules are required under City Land Development Code 25-1-609 in administering the Parkland Dedication Ordinance. The Rules provide staff, applicants for development and other stakeholders the information on how decisions are made on whether parkland dedication is required or whether fees-in-lieu are allowed for residential projects and projects with hotel/motel rooms. The rule also provides standards for parkland to be dedicated.

The rules outline review and submittal requirements for parkland dedication determinations; define criteria for evaluating fee In-Lieu of land requests; describe standards for land to be dedicated and credits for private parkland open to the public and discuss superiority determinations for Municipal Utility District (MUD), Public Improvement District (PID), and Planned Unit Development zoning district (PUD). The rules also describe how parkland dedication funds can be expended.

Comments may be submitted on-line at <http://www.austintexas.gov/online-form/parkland-dedication-rules-review> or in writing to D'Anne Williams; Parks and Recreation Department, 919 W. 28 ½ Street, Austin, Texas 78705, (512) 974-9456 To be considered, comments must be submitted before August 1, 2016, the 32nd day after the date this notice is posted. The Parks and Recreation Department staff will respond to comments prior to September 28. The Rule will not be adopted prior to September 28.

The Parkland Dedication Operating Procedures Working Group of the Parks and Recreation Board will hold two informal feedback sessions open to the public on July 13 at 12:00 p.m. at the PARC Annex, 919 W 28<sup>th</sup> Street and July 20 at noon at the Zilker Botanic Gardens. The purpose of the meetings will be for community discussion of the rules. The comments made at the meeting **do not** substitute for the comments required to be posted at <http://www.austintexas.gov/online-form/parkland-dedication-rules-review> or mailed to the Parks and Recreation Department, and to which the Parks and Recreation Department staff must respond.

