



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members

THROUGH: Veronica Briseño, Assistant City Manager *VB*

FROM: Lauren Middleton-Pratt, Director, Planning Department *LM*

DATE: April 12, 2024

SUBJECT: **Land Development Code Amendments – Additional Open Houses and Work Session**

In preparation for Council's consideration of the Spring 2024 Federal Transit Administration's transit-supportive and HOME 2 Land Development Code (LDC) Amendments, staff scheduled the following two open houses to provide the community with an opportunity to learn more about the proposed amendments:

Central – In Person

Wednesday, April 17

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Austin Public Library, Central Branch, 710 Cesar Chavez St.

Virtual - [Sign Up](#)

Saturday, April 20

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The code amendments being considered impact more than the Planning Department. Community outreach on these issues requires responses from representatives of at least five other departments including transportation, watershed protection, public safety, and our City's electric and water utilities.

We recognize the importance of helping our community understand these policy changes and are in the process of scheduling two additional open houses in May, one in East Austin and one in West Austin. Staff will provide an update as soon as we confirm dates, times, and locations.

Additionally, in response to Council's request for an additional work session, staff added the Code Amendments to the April 30 Council Work Session. Attached, please find a list of meetings and activities scheduled for the months of April and May for your reference.

Please contact me if you have any questions. For up-to-date information on the proposed LDC amendments and how to participate, please encourage residents to visit SpeakUpAustin.org/LDCupdates.

cc: Jesús Garza, Interim City Manager
CMO Executive Team

Attachment: Spring 2024 Land Development Code Amendments & Schedule

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Spring 2024 Land Development Code Amendments & Schedule

For Spring 2024, City Council will consider a transit-support package to support the Project Connect Federal Transit Administration application as well as a continuation of the HOME Initiative. The [Land Development Code \(LDC\) Amendments](#) for this spring include:

- Home Initiative – Phase 2
- Citywide Compatibility
- ETOD Overlays
- South Central Waterfront Combining District & Density Bonus Program
- EV Charging

In addition to the planning staff's standard work plan and the other code amendments initiated by the City Council (as outlined on the [LDC Gantt Chart](#)), staff has prepared a prescribed schedule for the transit-support and HOME amendments, as well as regularly scheduled meetings that will require staff attention, from now through the end of May 2024. Two additional community Open House meetings are being planned to occur in May, one in East Austin and one in West Austin.

- **April 4:** City Council Meeting
- **April 9:** Planning Commission | South Central Waterfront
- **April 11:** Joint Meeting of Planning Commission & Council | HOME 2, Compatibility, ETOD Overlay Phase 1 LRT, EV Charging
- **April 16:** Zoning & Platting Commission
- **April 17:** Spring 2024 LDC Amendments In Person Open House - Austin Public Library, Central Branch, 710 Cesar Chavez St. - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- **April 17:** Small Area Planning Joint Committee (SAPJC) | South Central Waterfront
- **April 18:** City Council Meeting
- **April 20:** Spring 2024 LDC Amendments Virtual Open House – [Sign Up](#) - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- **April 23 (& potentially April 24):** Planning Commission | HOME 2, Compatibility, and EV Charging
- **April 23:** Housing & Planning Committee
- **April 30:** City Council Work Session | HOME 2, Compatibility, ETOD Overlay, EV Charging
- **April 30 (& potentially May 1):** Planning Commission | ETOD Overlay Phase 1 LRT, Downtown Parking
- **May 2:** City Council | South Central Waterfront
- **May 7:** Housing & Planning Committee
- **May 7:** Zoning and Platting Commission
- **May 14:** City Council Work Session | HOME 2, Compatibility, ETOD Overlay, EV Charging
- **May 14:** Planning and Zoning Commission
- **May 16:** City Council | HOME 2, Compatibility, ETOD Overlay, EV Charging
- **May 21:** Zoning and Platting Commission
- **May 28:** Planning and Zoning Commission
- **May 30:** City Council | Downtown Parking, ETOD Amendment to Imagine Austin