

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MOTION 20180418 007a

Date: April 18, 2018

Subject: Alignment of City initiatives with CodeNEXT for collective impact

Motion by: Katie Coyne Seconded by: Hank Smith

RATIONALE:

WHEREAS, a number of planning processes are underway that have a direct impact on the City's land use code and/or future fabric of our City; and

WHEREAS, recent planning results have not been fully or sincerely incorporated into the current draft of code; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission supports the effective collaboration of multi-disciplinary departments especially in furtherance of sustainability, equity, and resilience goals; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission supports the synergy of plans across City departments and views that synergy as vital to sustainability, equity, and resilience goals.

THEREFORE, the Environmental Commission recommends that City staff work to align and clearly demonstrate connections and synergies between the following recent or ongoing planning projects and tools to maximize the collective impact of City initiatives: the Austin Water Forward Plan, the Integrated Green Infrastructure Plan, the proposed Functional Green Program, the City's Resilience Plan, the Long Range Parks Plan, the Equity Tool, Project Connect, the Strategic Mobility Plan, and the Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint; and

THEREFORE, the Environmental Commission recommends that City staff work to align and clearly demonstrate connections and synergies between the above plans and tools and the final draft of the Land Development Code.

VOTE 9-0

For: B. Smith, Thompson, Istvan, Maceo, Perales, H. Smith, Neely, Coyne, Guerrero

Against: None Abstain: None Recuse: None

Absent: Creel, Gordon

Approved By:

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Marisa Perales, Environmental Commission Chair