



Watershed Protection Ordinance (WPO) Stakeholder Meeting: Stakeholder Feedback & Direction

January 11, 2013

Meeting Objective

- Discuss coordination with other City initiatives.
- Discuss outstanding items & identify next steps.
- Discuss stakeholder questions & comments regarding the draft ordinance.

Meeting Agenda

- Introductions [5 min.]
- Imagine Austin coordination [10 min.]
- Transportation Criteria Manual (TCM) & Subdivision Code coordination [15 min.]
- Summary of stakeholder feedback & discussion of next steps [40 min.]
- Break [5 min.]
- Q & A about ordinance draft [40 min.]
- Wrap-Up [5 min.]

Imagine Austin: The Way Forward

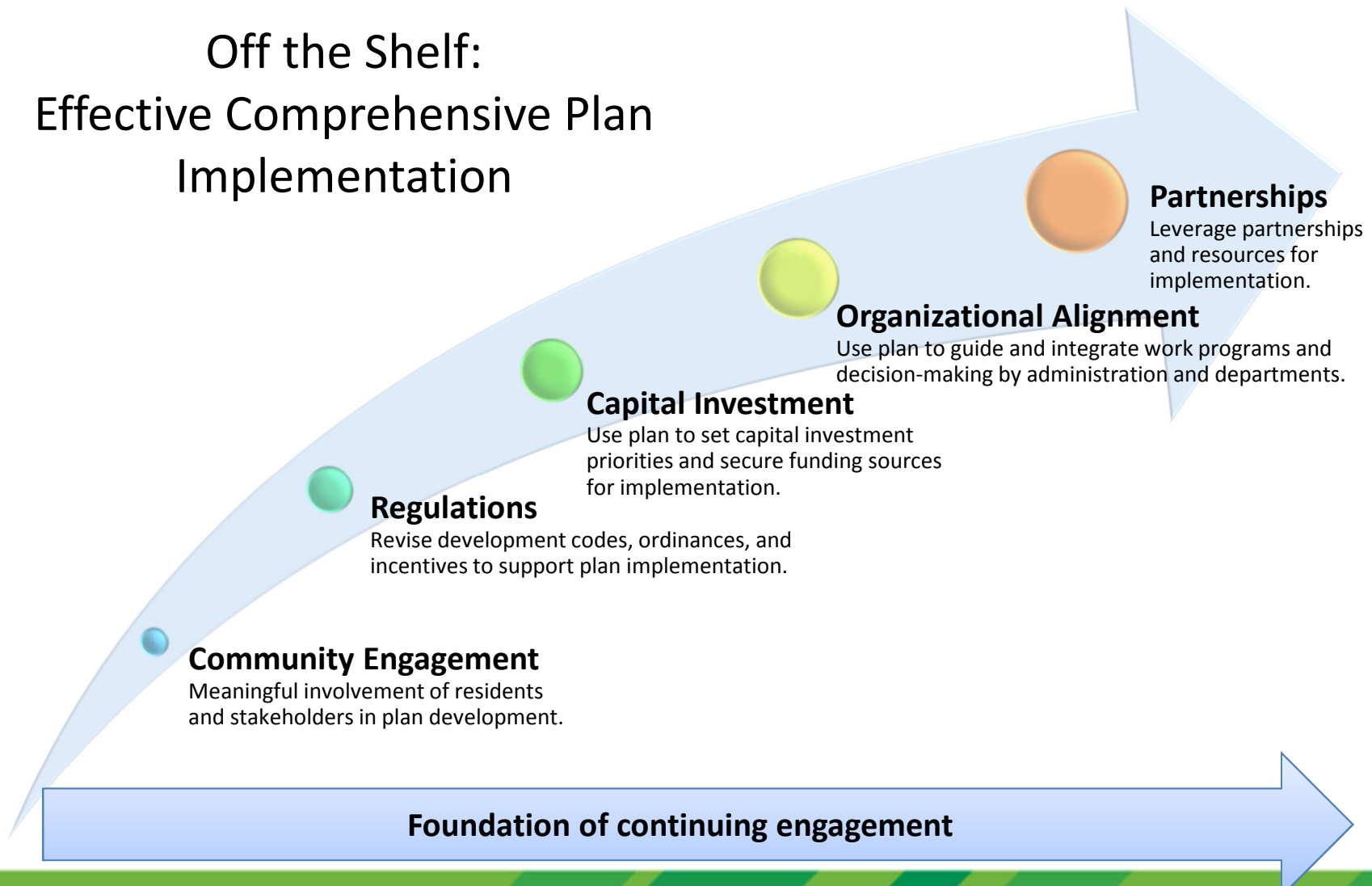


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Matt Dugan, Planning and Development Review



Off the Shelf: Effective Comprehensive Plan Implementation



Priority Programs

Priority Program #1:
Invest in Compact

Priority Program #8:
Align Code

Priority Program #3:
Workforce Development

Priority Program #5:
Creative Economy

Priority Program #2:
Sustainable Water

Priority Program #4:
Green Infrastructure

Priority Program #6:
Household Affordability

Priority Program #7:
Healthy Austin



Priority Program #8:
Align Code

On the table for reconsideration

Regulations relating to...

- Procedures for review & approval
- Zoning
- Subdivisions
- Site Plans
- Drainage
- Environment
- Transportation
- Signs



Priority Program #8:
Align Code

Process

Step 1—Listening, Issue Identification,
and Education

Step 2—Diagnosis and Outline

Step 3—Preliminary Draft Code

Step 4—Code Adoption



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Align Code

Schedule

Advisory Group appointed	Jan. 2013
Consultant on board	Late Spring 2013
Listening sessions completed	Summer 2013
Diagnosis approved by City Council	Feb. 2014
Annotated Outline approved by Council	June 2014
Preliminary draft code approved	March 2015
Adoption draft code complete	Sep. 2015





Revision of the Transportation Criteria Manual (TCM) and Chapter 25-4 Subdivision Regulations

January 11, 2013

Nadia Barrera, Public Works

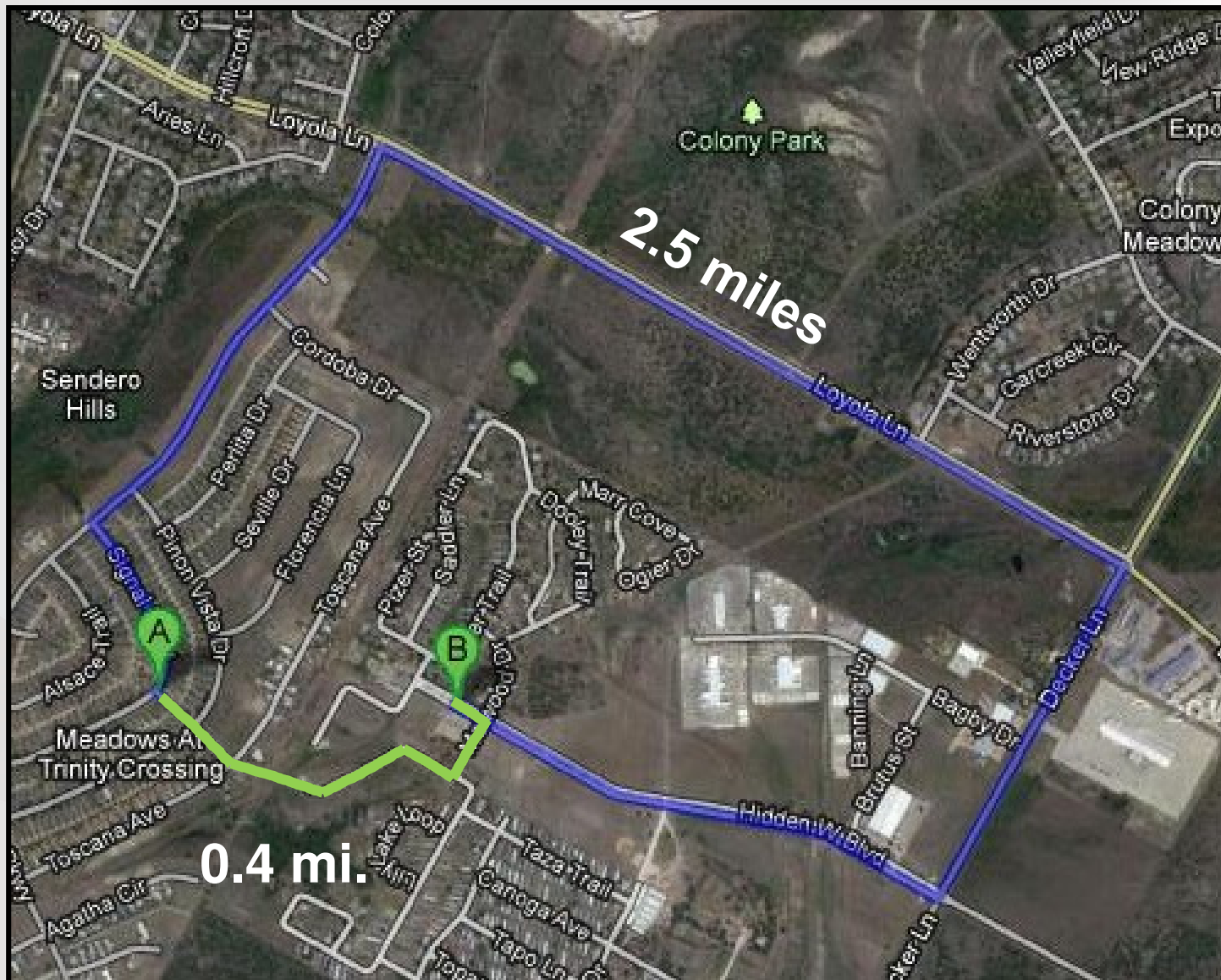
What are we doing?

- Working with staff and stakeholders to revise the TCM and Subdivision Regulations to:
 - Implement Imagine Austin
 - Meet current worldwide best practices
 - Improve the development process, and
 - Ensure quality projects are produced on time and efficiently

Why are we doing this?

- Develop sustainably
- Allow for more innovation
- Reference relevant manuals and guidelines
- Incorporate best practices in street design & connectivity
- Remove barriers to active living
- Streamline & modernize TCM & Subdivision code

Why is this important?

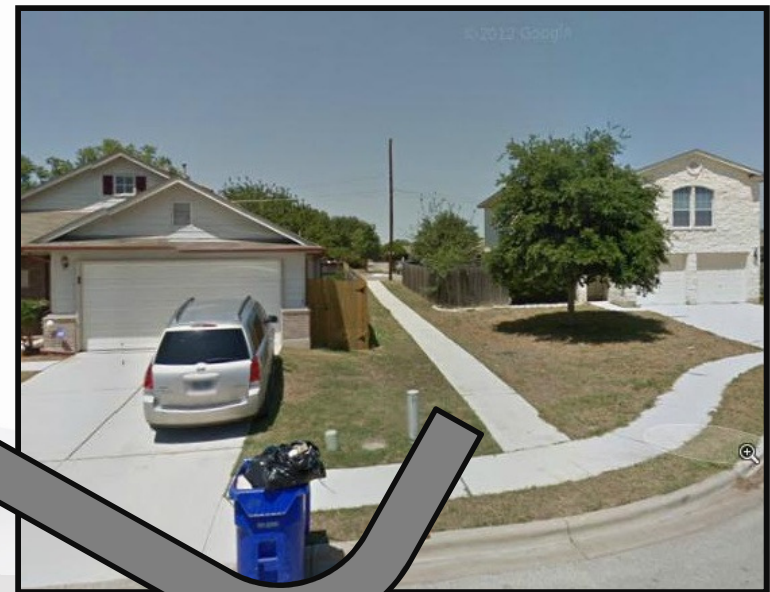


Recent
Austin
Subdivision:
Meadows at
Trinity
Crossing

Why is this important?



Austin's Colony
Subdivision:
Includes Trails and direct
connection to school.



What is the timeline?

Research &
Educational
Activities
Mid 2012

Stakeholder Review
& Educational
Activities
Spring to Fall 2013



Preliminary
Staff Edits
**Fall 2012 to
Spring 2013**

Rules Posting &
Code Amendment
Approval Process
Mid 2013 to 2015

	WPO	TCM	Subdivision	Imagine Austin: LDC Revisions
2011	Preparation Stakeholder Meetings			<i>* Review & comment period (Public, Advisory Group, PC, Council)</i>
2012	Draft Code	Preparation	Preparation	Preparation
2013	Stakeholder Meetings Boards, Commissions, Council	Rules Development and Stakeholder Review (multiple review & comment periods by TCM section)	Stakeholder Meetings	Listening, Issue Identification & Education* Diagnosis*
2014			TCM Rules Posting Subdivision Code to Council	Annotated Outline*
2015		Rules Adoption Complete		Preliminary draft* Adoption draft (PC, Council)

Stakeholder Feedback Summary

(From Dec. 14 Comments)

What remains to be addressed in our meetings?

- **Coordination**
 - Between WPD & other departments
 - With other upcoming Code revisions
 - Between Code & criteria manuals
- **Low Impact Development (LID)**
 - Green space
 - Rainwater harvesting
- **Encouraging density**

Stakeholder Feedback Summary

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What remains to be addressed in our meetings?

- Transfer of Development Rights (TDR)
- Floodplain dedication
- Impervious Cover
- Wildlife & habitat protections / conservation
- Barton Springs Zone protections

Potential Discussion Topics

- Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan Coordination
- Connectivity
- Floodplain Modification
- Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) / Mitigation
- Green Infrastructure / Low Impact Development (LID)
 - Porous Pavement; Rain Gardens; Rainwater Harvesting; etc.
- Volume-Based Hydrology

Potential Discussion Topics

- Redevelopment Options
- Urban Stream Buffers
- Roadway Impervious Cover
- Development Impact Assessment
- Drainage Code 25-7
- Zoning Code 25-2 (e.g., Planned Unit Developments)
- Others?

Adoption Schedule

Council Resolution	January 2011
Stakeholder Meetings	Sep. 2011 – April 2012
Staff develops Draft Ordinance	April – November
Brief the Environmental Board	December 5
Stakeholders meet on Draft Ordinance*	Dec. '12 – March 2013
Interdepartmental Review*	March 2013
Boards & Commissions	April – May 2013
City Council	June 2013
Travis County Commissioner's Court	Summer 2013

* City staff also happy to meet with interested groups upon request.

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