



## CENTRAL TEXAS COMMERCIAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS

August 31, 2015

Re: Support Imagine Austin Plan – Require a New Simplified Code that Supports Imagine Austin

Dear members of CodeNEXT Citizens' Advisory Group:

The Central Texas Commercial Association of REALTORS' (CTCAR) members represent a cross section of the commercial real estate industry, including brokers, agents, appraisers, property managers, developers, principals, consultants and other affiliated commercial real estate professionals such as mortgage bankers, attorneys, title companies, law firms, engineering companies and environmental consultants.

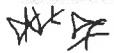
It is important to our community and the region that we continue to support the Imagine Austin plan that was carefully evaluated, modified and supported by a cross section of Austin residents. Imagine Austin set forth a vision for a welcoming, well-planned Austin that would support diverse community incomes and cultures and plan for all kinds of housing, at all price levels, all across the City.

Austin needs a streamlined, more functional land development code to help our community absorb new residents in a manner that allows our beloved city to continue to evolve in a way that is truly unique and special. A simplified code will make the City's development review process work better for all of us: homeowners trying to add square footage as their families expand, developers interested in bringing affordable housing to our community, small businesses hoping to start and grow their grass roots businesses in the City they love, just to name a few.

Through a unanimous vote of its Board of Directors, CTCAR strongly urges you develop a code that is simple, predictable, flexible and applicable to the entire community. Our community needs a code that facilitates smart, dense, development. As the CodeNEXT Advisory Group, you have the opportunity to make a significant contribution to Austin's future. Please move forward in a manner that supports the work our community has already contributed as reflected in the Imagine Austin plan.

We appreciate the time you are donating to our community. We stand ready to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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