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#### ORDINANCE NO.

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 25-2 (*ZONING*) TO CREATE A DENSITY BONUS 240 (DB240) COMBINING DISTRICT AND ESTABLISH ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS.

#### **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** Subsection (F) of City Code Section 25-2-32 (*Zoning Districts and Map Codes*) is amended to add new combining districts to read:

(F) Combining districts and map codes are as follows:

(26) density bonus 240 .... DB240

**PART 2.** City Code Section 25-2-181 (*Density Bonus Combining Districts*) is amended to rename the section and to add a new Subsection (E) to read:

#### § 25-2-181 DENSITY BONUS COMBINING DISTRICT[S] PURPOSE.

(E) DB240 combining district allows residential uses on sites with commercial highway and industrial base zoning districts, modifies site development regulations, and grants additional height in exchange for community benefits including income-restricted housing.

**PART 3.** City Code Chapter 25-2 (*Zoning*), Subchapter C, Division 5, Article 3 is amended to add a new Section 25-2-656 to read:

# § 25-2-656 DENSITY BONUS 240 (DB240) COMBINING DISTRICT REGULATIONS.

- (A) This section establishes the applicable regulations for DB240 combining district zoning.
- (B) This section governs over a conflicting provision of this title or other ordinance.
- (C) Pre-Requisites.
  - (1) To utilize the regulations described in Subsection (H), a property must be zoned DB240 combining district and an applicant must comply with Subsections (E), (F), and (G).

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28 29 30 31 32		(2)	To preserve reserved dwelling units and existing non-residential spaces, an applicant must comply with Article 2 ( <i>Density Bonus and Incentive Programs</i> ) of Chapter 4-18 ( <i>General Permitting Standards</i> ) before applying for a building permit or site plan that relies on the regulations described in Subsections (H).				
33	(D)	DB2	40 combining district may be combined with the following base districts:				
34		(1)	industrial park (IP);				
35		(2)	limited industrial services (LI);				
36		(3)	major industry (MI);				
37		(4)	research and development (R&D); and				
38		(5)	commercial highway services (CH).				
39	(E)	Affo	rdability Requirements – Dwelling Units.				
40 41		(1)	In this subsection, BONUS HEIGHT means the amount of height that exceeds the height allowed by the base zoning district.				
42 43		(2)	Affordability Minimums - Ownership Units. If an applicant develops dwelling units for sale, this subdivision applies.				
44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51			(a) To utilize 30 feet in bonus height or to utilize a development standard that is not height-related, a development must provide a minimum of 10 percent of the residential units as affordable for ownership and occupancy by households earning 80 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department or pay the fee-in-lieu described in Paragraph (2)(d) for an equal number of residential units.				
52 53 54 55 56 57 58			(b) To utilize more than 30 feet but less than 61 feet in bonus height, a development must provide a minimum of 12 percent of the residential units as affordable for ownership and occupancy by households earning 80 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department or pay the fee-in-lieu described in Paragraph (2)(d) for an equal number of residential units.				

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(c) To utilize more than 60 feet but less than 121 feet in bonus height, a development must provide a minimum of 15 percent of the residential units as affordable for ownership and occupancy by households earning 80 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department or pay the fee-in-lieu described in Paragraph (2)(d) for an equal number of residential units.

(d) An applicant for a proposed owner-occupied housing development may elect to meet the affordability requirement without providing income-restricted units onsite by paying a fee in-lieu to the Housing Trust Fund. At a minimum, the fee-in-lieu shall be equivalent to 100 percent of the required percentage of the total residential units, including the mix of bedrooms required. The fee-in-lieu shall be set by separate ordinance and the amount of fee-in-lieu due is determined using the separate ordinance in effect at site plan submittal.

- (3) Affordability Minimums Rental Units. If an applicant develops dwelling units for lease, this subdivision applies.
  - (a) To utilize 30 feet in bonus height or to utilize a development standard that is not height-related, a development must provide:
    - a minimum of 10 percent of the residential units as affordable for lease and occupancy by households earning 60 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department or
    - a minimum of 8 percent of the residential units as affordable for lease and occupancy by households earning 50 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department.
  - (b) To utilize more than 30 feet but less than 61 feet in bonus height, a development must provide:
    - (i) a minimum of 12 percent of the residential units as affordable for lease and occupancy by households earning 60 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical

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93 94					Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department; or	
95 96 97 98 99				(ii)	a minimum of 10 percent of the residential units as affordable for lease and occupancy by households earning 50 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department.	
100 101			(c)		cilize more than 60 feet but less than 121 feet in bonus height, a lopment must provide:	
102 103 104 105 106				(i)	a minimum of 15 percent of the residential units as affordable for lease and occupancy by households earning 60 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department; or	
107 108 109 110 111				(ii)	a minimum of 12 percent of the residential units as affordable for lease and occupancy by households earning 50 percent or less of the current Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area Median Family Income as determined by the director of the Housing Department.	
112	(F)	Tran	sit Sup	portive	e Infrastructure.	
113 114 115		(1)	In this subdivision, TRANSIT SUPPORTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE includes appurtenances, facilities, and amenities related to a transit system project as defined in Ordinance No. 20221115-048.			
116 117 118		(2)	requi	If an applicant provides transit supportive infrastructure, the affordability requirement to achieve a bonus height is reduced by two percent of required affordable units.		
119 120		(3)	-		ed that the value of the transit supportive infrastructure equals at ercent of the minimum affordability.	
121 122 123			(a)	affore	director of the Housing Department is authorized to reduce the dability requirement by more than two percent if the director of lousing Department and the Project Connect mobility officer	

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124 125				-	e that the value of the transit supportive infrastruc or equal to the value of the reduction.	ture is greater
126 127 128			(b)	affor	director of the Housing Department may not redu dability requirement to less than one residential u valent of the fee-in-lieu for one ownership unit.	
129 130		(4)			nt must submit a written request to the Project Co rovide transit supportive infrastructure.	nnect mobility
131 132 133		(5)	serve	f an applicant requests to provide transit supportive infrastructure that erves a community benefit, the Project Connect mobility officer must pprove a request.		
134 135 136 137		(6)	Proje ( <i>Adn</i>	Before approving a request to provide transit supportive infrastructure, the Project Connect mobility officer must adopt rules under Chapter 1-2 ( <i>Administrative Rules</i> ) that establish when transit supportive infrastructure serves a community benefit.		
138	(G)	Exis	ting No	ing Non-Residential Spaces.		
139		(1)	In th	this subsection,		
140 141			(a)	CREATIVE SPACE means a use described in Chapter 25-2 ( <i>Zoning</i> ) that allows one or more of the following occupancies:		
142				(i)	art gallery;	
143				(ii)	art workshop;	
144				(iii)	performance venue; or	
145				(iv)	theater.	
146			(b)	EXIS	STING NON-RESIDENTIAL SPACE means a:	
147 148				(i)	creative space use that has operated for a minim continuous years;	um of three
149 150 151				(ii)	brewery, distillery, or cidery, that has operated a of 5 continuous years with a gross floor area of feet or less;	
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152 153 154			(iii)	food manufacturing that has operated for continuous years with a gross floor area o or less;		
155 156 157			(iv)	custom manufacturing that has operated a continuous years with a gross floor area o or less; or		
158 159 160			(v)	light manufacturing that has operated for continuous years with a gross floor area o or less.		
161 162 163		(2) If a site includes an existing non-residential space, the proposed development must replace each existing non-residential space with a space that is comparable in size for a period of 5 years.				
164 165 166 167		(3)	) This subsection establishes an existing non-residential space subject to Article 2 ( <i>Density Bonus and Incentive Programs</i> ), Division 2 ( <i>Redevelopment Requirements</i> ) of Chapter 4-18 (General Permitting Standards).			
168 169 170 171		(4)	945 (Aband	orming use is not discontinued or abandon <i>conment of Nonconforming Use</i> ) if the non- an existing non-residential space and is re- ubsection.	-conforming use	
172	(H)	(H) Development Standards and Mixed Use.				
173 174		<ol> <li>Residential uses and the uses included in Table H1 are permitted uses on a property zoned DB240 combining district.</li> </ol>				
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### TABLE H1.PERMITTED USES

# COMMERCIAL USES:

Commercial Off-Street Parking Consumer Convenience Services Consumer Repair Services Equipment Repair Services Equipment Sales Food Sales General Retail Sales (Convenience) General Retail Sales (General) Hotel-Motel

#### Kennels Laundry Services Liquor Sales Personal Improvement Services Pet Services Plant Nursery Software Development Vehicle Storage Veterinary Services

#### **CIVIC USES:**

Child Care Services (Commercial) Child Care Services (General) Child Care Services (Limited) College and University Facilities Counseling Services Family Home Guidance Services Hospital Services (Limited) Public Primary Educational Facilities Public Secondary Educational Facilities Telecommunication Tower

(2)Table H2 establishes the conditional uses on a property zoned DB240 combining district. **TABLE H2. CONDITIONAL USES CIVIC USES: COMMERCIAL USES:** Agricultural Sales and Services **Community Events** Alternative Financial Services Hospital Services (General) **Automotive Rentals** Private Primary Educational Facilities Automotive Repair Services Private Secondary Educational Facilities **Automotive Sales Telecommunication Tower** Automotive Washing (of any type) **Public Primary Educational Facilities Bail Bond Services** Public Secondary Educational Facilities Commercial Blood Plasma Center **Employee Recreation** Monument Retail Sales

# **INDUSTRIAL USES:**

Light Manufacturing

#### AGRICULTURAL USES:

Indoor Crop Production

(3) A development must comply with the provisions in Article 2 (*Site Development Standards*) that apply to property located on a core transit corridor without regard to whether the property is located on a core transit corridor and Article 3 (*Building Design Standards*) in Subchapter E (*Design Standards and Mixed Use*). In the event of a conflict, this section controls.

(4) Mix of Uses.

- (a) In this subdivision, PRINCIPAL STREET has the same meaning as principal street in and is applied consistent with Article 5 (*Definitions*) of Subchapter E (*Design Standards and Mixed Use*).
- (b) Pedestrian-Oriented Commercial and Civic Spaces.
  - Except as provided in Paragraph (4)(b)(ii), at least 75 percent of the building frontage along the principal street and on the ground floor of the building must be designed for one or more commercial or civic uses and must comply with the

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dimensional requirements found in Section 4.3.3.C in Subchapter E (*Design Standards and Mixed Use*) of this chapter. A lobby serving a use other than a pedestrian-oriented commercial or civic space is not counted as a pedestrianoriented commercial or civic place.

(ii) If a lot exceeds 2.5 acres and fronts more than one street, then 50 percent of the building frontage along the principal street and 50 percent of the second highest priority street must be designed for one or more commercial uses and must comply with dimensional requirements found in Section 4.3.3.C in Subchapter E (*Design Standards and Mixed Use*) of this chapter. A lobby serving a use other than a pedestrian-oriented commercial or civic space is not counted as a pedestrianoriented commercial or civic place.

- (c) If a building includes a mix of uses, a non-residential use:
  - (i) may not be located above a residential use; and
  - (ii) may not be located on or above the third story of the building.
- (d) An on-site amenity is a residential use when provided solely for use by the occupant, or the occupant's guests.
- (e) The ordinance zoning or rezoning a site as DB240 combining district zoning may modify the requirements in Paragraph (3)(b) if the site abuts one of the following roadways defined in Article 5 (*Definitions*) of Subchapter E (*Design Standards and Mixed Use*):
  - (i) urban roadway;
  - (ii) suburban roadway;
  - (iii) highway; or
  - (iv) hill country.
- (5) Maximum Height.
  - (a) In research and development (R&D), a building may exceed the

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247 248		maximum building height in the base zoning district by 120 feet except that no building may exceed 165 feet in height.
249 250 251	(	b) In light industrial (LI), a building may exceed the maximum building height in the base zoning district by 120 feet except that no building may exceed 180 feet in height.
252 253 254	(	c) In industrial park (IP) a building may exceed the maximum building height in the base zoning district by 120 feet except that no building may exceed 180 feet in height.
255 256 257	(	d) In commercial highway services (CH) a building may exceed the maximum building height in the base zoning district by 120 feet except that no building may exceed 240 feet in height.
258 259 260	(	e) In major industrial (MI) a building may exceed the maximum building height in the base zoning district by 120 feet except that no building may exceed 240 feet in height.
261	(6)	A site is not required to comply with the base zoning district's:
262	(	a) minimum site area requirements (if applicable);
263	(	b) maximum floor area ratio;
264	(	c) maximum building coverage;
265	(	d) maximum number of stories; and
266	(	e) minimum street side yard setback and interior yard setback.
267 268		Section 1.4 ( <i>Minor Modifications</i> ) and Section 1.5 ( <i>Alternative Equivalent Compliance</i> ) in Subchapter E apply to a site developed under this section.
269 270		The minimum street side yard setback and interior yard setback is 15 feet inless the base zoning district requirement is less restrictive.
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Interim City Attorney	City Clerk
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