



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** City Council Housing and Planning Committee

**Through:** Dr. Eric A. Johnson, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office *EAJ*

**From:** Andrea Bates, Interim Director, Austin Planning *AB*

**Date:** June 2, 2026

**Subject:** **Update on the Timing of Land Development Code Amendments**

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The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update on the status and timing of proposed amendments to the Land Development Code through December 2027.

The attached June 2026 Schedule of Active Code Amendments primarily reflects code amendments that have previously been initiated. The schedule has been developed to balance staff workloads, sequence work as appropriate, allow adequate public engagement and review, and recognize the schedules of relevant boards and commissions.

Since the last update at the Housing and Planning Committee on April 14, 2026, there have been several changes to the schedule, including:

- **HOME Improvement Amendments** – Initiated by City Council on May 7, 2026. The project has been split into two phases:
  - **HOME Improvement Ph. 1** – Anticipating review by the Planning Commission and adoption consideration at City Council beginning in December 2026.
  - **HOME Improvement Ph. 2** – Timeline to be determined.
- **Home Occupation Updates** – Initiated by City Council on March 26, 2026. Timeline to be determined.
- **Slope Protection for Steep Slopes** – Schedule updated. It is planned for review by the Planning Commission on August 11, 2026, and adoption consideration at City Council on August 27, 2026.

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- The following amendments have been added to the schedule for review and consideration beginning in December 2026:
  - **SB 840 Related Updates to 25-2**
  - **Life Science Land Use**
  - **Relocating Non-Zoning Regulations**
  - **Tobacco Sales Use**
  
- **East Riverside Corridor Plan Update** – Schedule updated. It is planned for review and adoption by spring 2027.

The schedule reflects an ambitious work program, and as processes move forward, staff will continually adjust to identify specific review and adoption dates for the proposed timelines shown on the chart. Additional information about adopted and active code amendments is available at [SpeakUpAustin.org/LDCupdates](https://SpeakUpAustin.org/LDCupdates).

Please note: A briefing on updates related to the timing of land development code amendments is a regularly scheduled item for all Austin City Council Housing and Planning Committee meetings. Austin Planning's practice has been to provide this update in a memorandum and in a presentation. Austin Planning will transition to briefing only by presentation for future Housing and Planning Committee meetings. This will not remove the briefing as a regularly occurring item. It will instead consolidate the methods of briefing for simplicity and eliminate redundancies in information communicated.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Andrea Bates, Interim Director of Austin Planning, at [andrea.bates@austintexas.gov](mailto:andrea.bates@austintexas.gov) or 512-974-2291.

Attachment: Schedule of Active Code Amendments (June 2026)

