

Austin Parks and Recreation Department

Geographic Areas for Parkland Dedication in Austin

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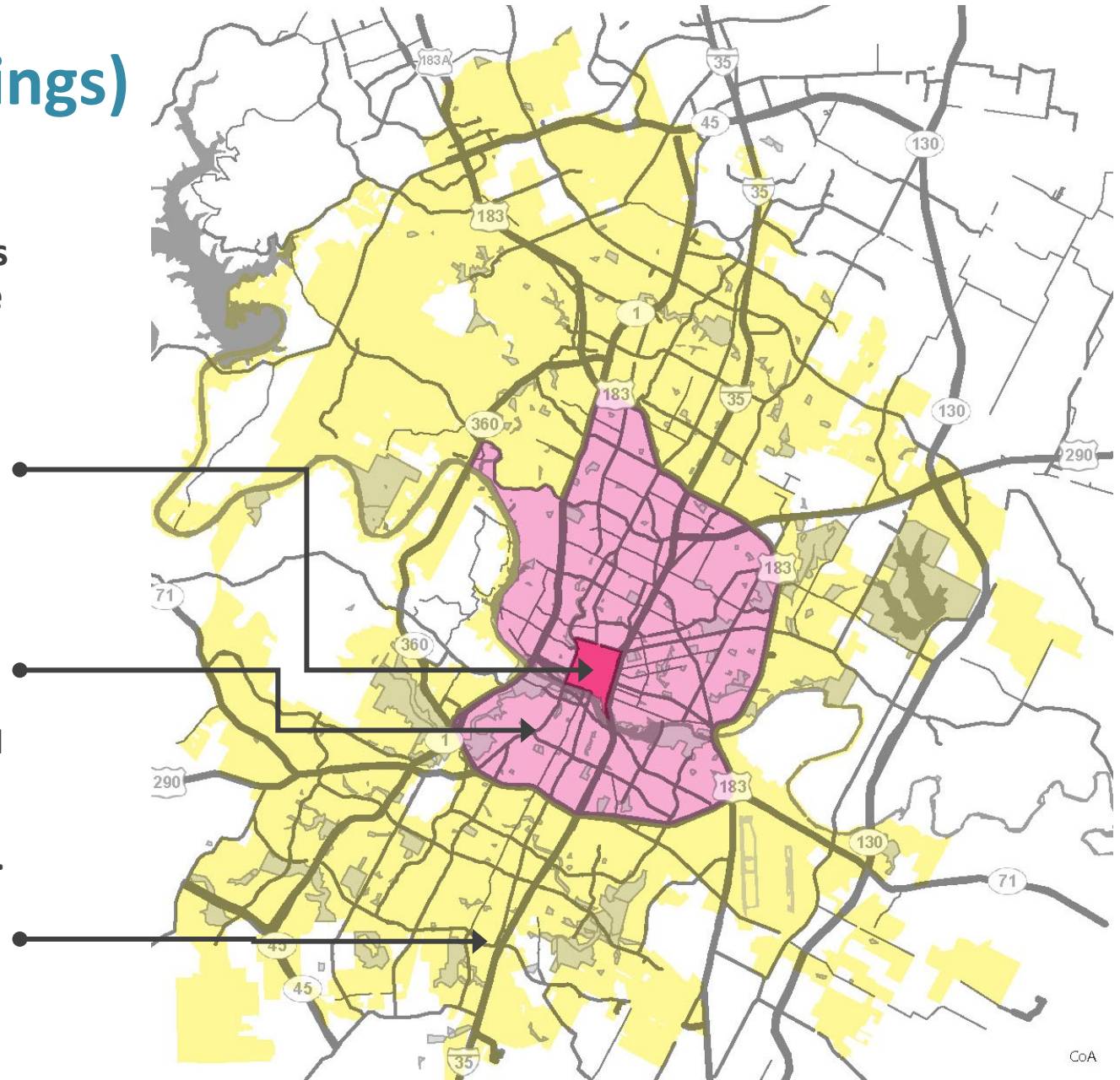
Summary of HB 1526

- Impacts parkland dedication (PLD) ordinances in **cities with populations over 800,000** (Austin, Houston, San Antonio, Dallas & Fort Worth)
- Signed into law on June 10, 2023
- Goes into effect on **January 1, 2024**
- Impacts **multifamily residential** and **hotel-motel** developments
- **Does not impact PLD requirements for single-family** residential
- **Prohibits PLD requirements for commercial** development
- **Affordable units are exempt** under existing code and continue to be under HB 1526
- Other administrative changes

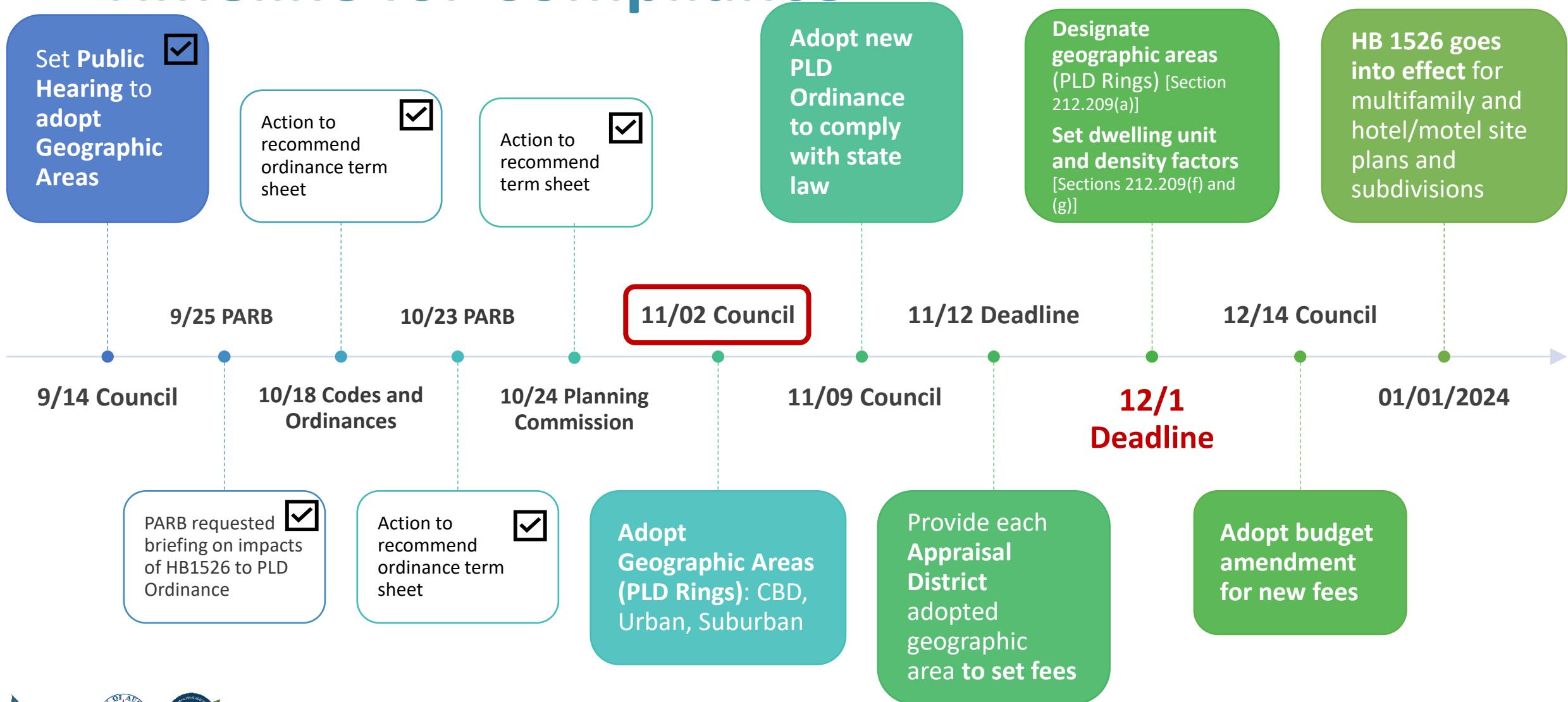
Geographic Areas (PLD Rings)

All areas of the city must be designated as either CBD (Central Business District), Urban or Suburban. Austin is adopting **existing areas for these designations, consistent with those already identified in Imagine Austin and the PARD Long Range Plans.**

- **CBD:** identified as the Downtown Austin Plan area (2011), part of the Austin Comprehensive Plan.
Park level of service: **0.075 acres/1000 residents.**
- **Urban:** existing urban core consistent with current PLD Ordinance, developed with stakeholder input in 2009 and 2016. Established in the PARD Long Range Plan (2020), which is part of the Austin Comprehensive Plan.
Park level of service: **0.75 acres/1000 residents.**
- **Suburban:** consistent with full and limited purpose areas outside of existing urban core.
Park level of service: **3 acres/1000 residents.**



Timeline for Compliance



Questions?