

To: Dripping Springs City Council

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RE: Ordinance Update – Subdivision Refiling Review Times

I. Overview

The adoption of Texas House Bill 3167 in 2019 required that cities follow strict timelines for plat and site plan reviews. Shortly thereafter, the City updated the subdivision ordinance to reflect these required timelines.

Currently, the code allows for a 30-day review period for the first round of plan submittals and 15 days for the second round of submittals. If staff does not approve the plans on the second submittal, the applicant is required to pay a resubmittal fee of 25% of the original fee amount and the plans are subject to a 30-day review.

While our codes and procedures follow State requirements, staff finds that the longer timelines and additional fees for a third submittals burden both applicants and staff. This proposed subdivision ordinance update would remove the resubmittal fee and make each submittal after the first submittal subject to a 15-day review.