# CUSTOMER INPUT NEEDED FOR DRAFT SUBDIVSION ORDINANCE



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### Public input sessions for customers to provide feedback on the proposed Subdivision Ordinance....

6/5/18 (Bastrop County, TX) – – The City of Bastrop is in the process of updating its subdivision ordinance. What is a subdivision? Subdivision means the division of a lot, tract, or parcel of land into two or more lots, plats, sites, or other divisions of land for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale or of building development. Subdivisions must also occur when combining lots. "The subdivision ordinance is one of the most important tools to shape our community in the future and provide for people-friendly streets and adequate drainage, so it is important that we get it right," said Dave Gattis, consultant and Interim City Planner who drafted the proposed ordinance. To provide our customers with an ordinance that best fits the needs of our community at large, developers, homebuilders, surveyors, realtors and engineers. City Staff will also be meeting with local utility providers in the coming weeks.

Since November 2017 the Planning and Zoning Commission has hosted several public comment opportunities on the draft ordinance and proposed changes during their regularly scheduled monthly meetings. On May 10<sup>th</sup> the Bastrop City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission hosted a joint workshop to provide feedback to staff from both governing bodies. Since that time Mr. Gattis has made several changes to the current draft. To ensure the community at large has additional opportunities to review proposed changes and provide input to staff, City , and Planning and Zoning commissioners, there will be three public meetings next week. All three meetings will take place at Bastrop City Hall, 1311 Chestnut Street. The current subdivision ordinance was drafted in 1999, and the most recent amendment was in 2008. The City of Bastrop hopes that its residents and development community will take an active role in providing helpful feedback as this proposed draft will shape the next decade. Please mark your calendars to attend one of the upcoming meetings:

#### PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 6:30-8:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers

## DEVELOPERS & HOMEBUILDERS

Thursday, June 14th, 2018 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. City Council Chambers

ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS Thursday, June 14th, 2018 2 to 4 p.m. City Council Chambers

Interested residents can view a current draft of the ordinance and an outline of proposed changes online at <u>www.cityofbastrop.org</u>. Citizens may also submit feedback to staff electronically at <u>plan@cityofbastrop.org</u>. Prior to adoption the Planning and Zoning Commission will host a public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting. The Bastrop City Council will also host several opportunities for additional input when the ordinance is presented during two regularly scheduled Council Meetings later this summer.

The mission of the City of Bastrop is to continuously strive to provide efficient and proactive services that enhance our quality of life and achieve our vision. For more information on the City of Bastrop, or to view Planning & Zoning Commission meeting agendas, minutes, packets and recordings of the meetings please visit us online at <u>www.cityofbastrop.org</u>. You can also follow us on social media via Instagram, Facebook or Twitter and watch meetings live streamed the last Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. Residents can also tune in to BTXN TV via Time Warner Channel 10 and AT&T U-verse Channel 99 or watch online at <u>www.btxn.tv</u>