



Technical
Assistance
Panels

**Convening the Best Minds
to Solve Complex
Real Estate and Land Use Issues**

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Austin

An Overview

Technical Assistance Panels

The Urban Land Institute (ULI) has a long history of providing unbiased, pragmatic solutions and best practice advice on land use and sustainable development. Through ULI Austin, nonprofit and municipal leaders have access to a unique perspective and a multidisciplinary team of real estate experts whose collective advisory guidance can only be found in one organization.

ULI Austin's Technical Assistance Panel (TAP) provides comprehensive and strategic advice in response to a specific land use or development assignment.

Why use a TAP

Using a TAP leverages the expertise of ULI Members, provides a non-partisan recommendation, and can help garner an unbiased opinion to your issue.

TAPs provide strategic advice to help communities, companies and organizations address key land use and real estate development issues. In addition, they provide a sounding board for cutting-edge issues in suburban and urban markets, such as infrastructure, water, building healthy places, workforce and affordable housing, and other policies.

ULI Austin looks forward to working together to identify challenges and provide recommended solutions for complex land use planning and development projects, programs and policies for your real estate and land use issues.



The Technical Assistance Panel Process

Pre-Panel: Information gathering in cooperation with the sponsoring organization to prepare a briefing book summarizing land use assignment.

Panel: One-half to two full- days on-site with ULI member experts focused on the land use challenge, informed by a private sponsor briefing, confidential stakeholder interviews and feedback from the community, and concluding with private panel recommendations to the sponsor.

Post-Panel: Presentation highlighting the outcomes of the panel, printed report summarizing assignment and outlining practical recommendations for next steps, program follow-up on one, six, and 12-month basis.

Cost: \$10,000 to \$25,000



Travis County, Block126: Panel looked at various options for the redevelopment of Block 126. *Completed December 2017*

Mosaic Sound Collective, Affordable Housing for Creatives: Panel looked at the viability of Mosaic Sound Collective providing affordable housing to musicians and other creatives. *Completed April 2017*

City of Austin, Live Music Preservation: Panel presented options to preserve live music in the Red River Cultural District. *Completed December 2016*

Austin Independent School District, Affordable Housing for Teachers and Staff: Panel outlined best practices for using AISD owned land to provide affordable housing to teachers and staff. *Completed January 2016*

CapMetro: Permanent Downtown Train Station

Recommendations to ensure no unintended consequences in design, or long term use, for the permanent downtown trainstation were presented to the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority. *Completed January 2016*

Austin Convention Center: Expansion

Recommendations on the proposed Convention Center expansion, including the creation of a Convention Center District integrating into the surrounding neighborhood to make the District a more desirable destination for Austin residents, was made to the City of Austin. *Completed April 2015*

HousingWorks: Affordable Housing for Middle Income Families

Strategies to allow more rapid expansion of production of housing to meet the needs of the middle income families were presented to ULI membership and Mayor Steven Adler. *Completed March 2015*

City of Austin, Parks & Recreation Department: Seaholm Intake Facility *Completed April 2014*

Habitat for Humanity: ReStore Program *Completed Summer of 2013*

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