

**2018 Land Use Fundamentals**  
**March 21, 2018 • AT&T Conference Center • Austin, TX**  
**March 21, 2018 • Live Webcast**

**Wednesday Afternoon, Mar. 21, 2018**

**Presiding Officer:**

**Dorothy Palumbo**, Bojorquez Law Firm, PC - Austin, TX

12:30 pm In Austin Only	<p><b>Registration Opens</b></p> <p>Includes light refreshments.</p>
1:20 pm	<p><b>Welcoming Remarks</b></p>
1:30 pm 0.50 hr	<p><b>Overview</b></p> <p>This presentation will explain the fundamentals of city regulation, including a discussion of the different types of cities in Texas.</p> <p>Christy Drake-Adams, Texas Municipal League - Austin, TX</p>
2:00 pm 0.75 hr	<p><b>Subdivision and Platting</b></p> <p>A review from the basics to the complex, addressing the legal basis, exceptions, process, limitations, and plat notes.</p> <p>Reid C. Wilson, Wilson, Cribbs &amp; Goren, P.C. - Houston, TX</p>
2:45 pm 0.75 hr	<p><b>Zoning</b></p> <p>Review zoning legal requirements and procedures, how to make zoning decision, and how zoning interacts with the comprehensive plan.</p> <p>Brenda N. McDonald, Messer, Rockefeller &amp; Fort, PLLC - Frisco, TX</p>
3:30 pm	<p><b>Break</b></p>
3:45 pm 0.50 hr	<p><b>Non-Conformities and Chapter 245</b></p> <p>Explore Chapter 245 "Issuance of Local Permits" of the Texas Local Government Code issues, including processes for the recognition of rights, "fair notice" and attorney fees awards in recent litigation. Relevant cases and statutes that impact Chapter 245 will also be discussed along with best practices for the municipal and development community. In addition, there will a discussion of nonconformities as nonconformities relate to Chapter 245.</p> <p>Dorothy Palumbo, Bojorquez Law Firm, PC - Austin, TX</p>

4:15 pm  
0.50 hr

**Exactions and Subdivisions**

Consider the methods and requirements related to developer participation toward the costs of public improvements.

Patty Akers, Akers & Akers, L.L.P. - Austin, TX

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**Bring it all Together: A Synthesis of Zoning, Platting, Comprehensive Planning, Building Code, and More**

Brenda N. McDonald, Messer, Rockefeller & Fort, PLLC - Frisco, TX

5:15 pm

**Adjourn**