



City of Austin

Dear Lost Creek Limited District Resident,

Texas House Bill 3053 took effect at the end of 2023 and allows voters in specific areas of Texas to disannex from, or leave, a city's full purpose jurisdiction. Cities were required to conduct an election in areas where a full purpose annexation was finalized between March 1, 2015 and December 1, 2017 to determine if voters prefer to remain with the city or disannex.

On May 4, 2024, the City of Austin held an election as required by state law and voters in your area voted to disannex from the city.

The City Council must officially recognize the disannexation of properties in the Lost Creek area by passing an ordinance formally changing the boundaries of the City and excluding the Lost Creek area. The anticipated date for the City Council's consideration of this ordinance is August 29, 2024.

HOW DOES THIS IMPACT YOU?

Curbside Trash, Recycling, Composting, Bulk and Large Brush Collection Service

Effective September 9, 2024, curbside collection of trash, recycling, composting, large brush, and bulk materials will no longer be provided by Austin Resource Recovery (ARR), the City of Austin's residential service provider. Please place all ARR trash, recycling, and composting carts at your curb on your last collection day, **September 3**, and leave them at the curb after they have been emptied. A separate truck will pick up the ARR carts. Each customer will be billed Disannexation Cart Removal Fee of \$24.64 to retrieve the carts. If a customer does not make their carts available for pickup on September 3, 2024, an additional fee of \$45 per cart will be added to the bill. **Please be sure to set all ARR carts at the curb on your last collection day, Tuesday, September 3, 2024 by 5:30 a.m.**

The Lost Creek Limited District Board will be identifying a new curbside collection provider and will be communicating instructions to you independent of the City of Austin.

Water, Wastewater, and Electric Utilities

No changes. Austin Water remains your water and wastewater provider. Austin Energy remains your electric service provider.

Emergency Services

Austin Police Department and Austin Fire Department will no longer provide primary emergency police or fire response. You will now be served by Travis County Sheriff and Emergency Services District #9. Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services will continue to provide emergency medical assistance. The area's 911 service will be updated to reflect these changes.

Development/Construction Permits

After disannexation, your property will be located in City of Austin's extraterritorial jurisdiction. There are some City of Austin regulations that may apply to your property. Before you begin any new construction or modifications to your property, please contact the City of Austin's Development Services



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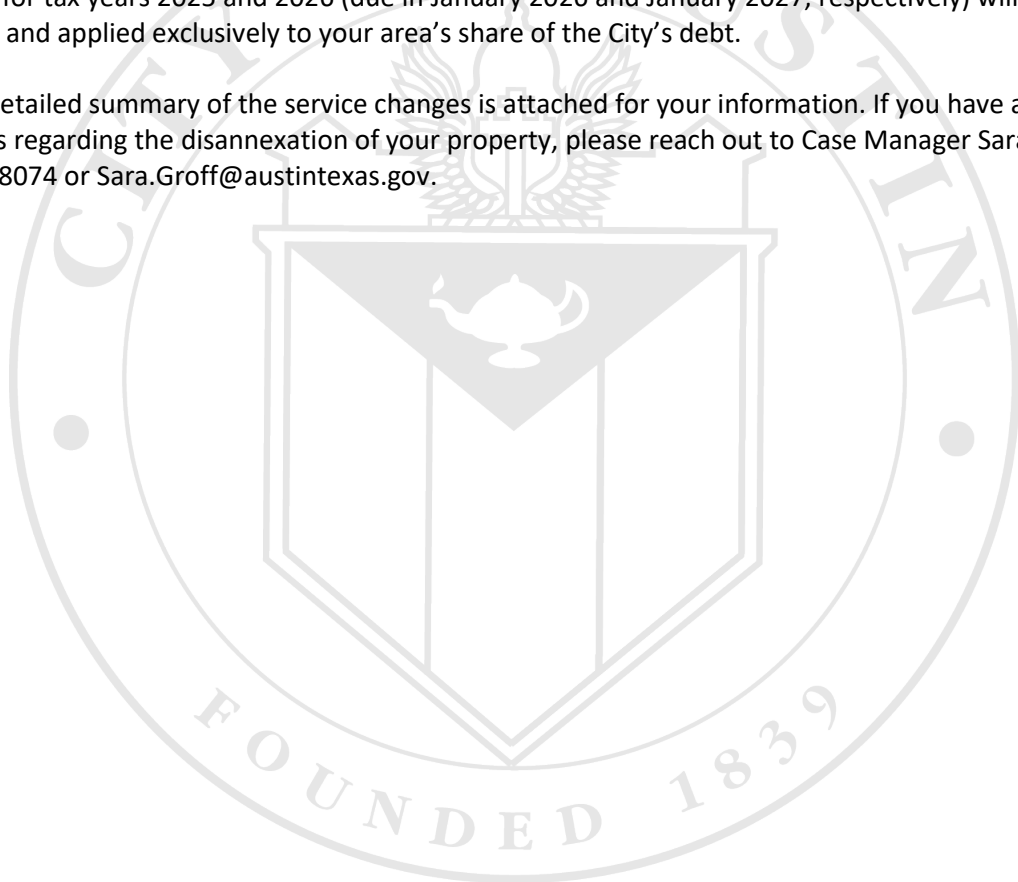
Department at (512) 974-2000 , or visit: <https://www.austintexas.gov/page/do-i-need-permit> to determine if City of Austin permits are required.

Your construction project may also require permits from Travis County. Please contact Travis County Development Services at 512-854-4215 prior to starting any construction project.

Property Taxes

As required by state law, the City will continue to impose a property tax each year on the property in the area until your area's share of the City's debt is paid off, which is anticipated to take two years. The area is on the tax rolls as part of the City of Austin for tax year 2024, and therefore, taxes will be assessed and collected (due January 2025) as typical. However, the final property taxes assessed by the City on your property for tax years 2025 and 2026 (due in January 2026 and January 2027, respectively) will be collected and applied exclusively to your area's share of the City's debt.

A more detailed summary of the service changes is attached for your information. If you have any questions regarding the disannexation of your property, please reach out to Case Manager Sara Groff at 512-974-8074 or Sara.Groff@austintexas.gov.





**SUMMARY OF SERVICE CHANGES
LOST CREEK AREA
DISANNEXATION SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**

City of Austin services that will be impacted on the effective date of disannexation:

- A. **Police Protection.** The Austin Police Department will no longer provide protection and law enforcement services. Law enforcement services will now be provided by Travis County Sheriff.
- B. **Fire Protection.** The Austin Fire Department will no longer provide emergency and fire prevention services. Emergency fire services will be provided by your local ESD.
- C. **Emergency Medical Service.** The City of Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services Department will provide emergency medical services.
- D. **Solid Waste Collection.** Austin Resource Recovery will no longer provide solid waste collection, including trash, recycling, composting, brush, and bulk.
- E. **Operation and Maintenance of Roads and Streets, Including Street Lighting.** The Transportation and Public Works Department will no longer maintain public streets, regulate signage services, perform street lighting maintenance, offer any residential parking programs, or provide Dynamic Speed Display Devices.
- F. **Watershed Protection.** The Watershed Protection Department will no longer provide drainage planning, drainage inspection, maintenance, and water quality enforcement services in the disannexation area.
- G. **Planning and Zoning.** The Planning Department will no longer provide comprehensive planning in the disannexed area.
- H. **Development Review.** The Development Services Department will provide limited development review and inspection services in accordance with and as limited by applicable codes, laws, ordinances and special agreements. There are some City of Austin development regulations that may apply to your property. Before you begin any new construction or modifications to your property, please contact the City of Austin's Development Services Department at 512-974-2000, or visit: <https://www.austintexas.gov/page/do-i-need-permit> to determine if City of Austin permits are required. Your construction project may also require permits from Travis County. Please contact Travis County Development Services at 512-854-4215 prior to starting any construction project.
- I. **Code Compliance.** The Development Services Department's Code Compliance team will no longer provide education, enforcement, and abatement services relating to code violations, with the exception of enforcement of sign regulations and development work without a permit where applicable.
- J. **Clean Community Services.** Austin Resource Recovery will no longer provide clean community services, such as street sweeping, dead animal collection, and litter management, in the disannexed area.
- K. **Capital Improvements Planning.** The disannexed area will no longer be included with other territory in connection with planning for new or expanded facilities, functions, and services.



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City of Austin services that will continue to be provided after the effective date of disannexation:

- A. **Operation and Maintenance of Water and Wastewater Facilities.** The City shall provide retail water service and wastewater service to areas that are not within the certificated service area of another utility. The facilities will be maintained and operated by Austin Water as governed by standard policies and procedures.
- B. **Electric Utility Service.** Austin Energy will continue to provide electric utility service to all areas which the City is authorized to serve by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.
- C. **Austin Animal Services.** Austin Animal Services will continue to provide services.
- D. **Public Health, Social, and Environmental Services.** The Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department will continue provide services.
- E. **Library.** Upon disannexation only residents who remain in the City of Austin's extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) may utilize all Austin Public Library facilities.

