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# Corridor Conversation Town Hall

A discussion about redevelopment  
of East 11th and 12th Streets

George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center  
May 26, 2010

## Event Program

### Welcome

Anthony Snipes  
*Chief of Staff, City of Austin*

### Facilitator

Shuronda Robinson  
*Adisa Communications*

### Corridor Conversation



# Corridor Conversation Panelists

## Tri-Party Representatives

### City of Austin

**Michael McDonald**

*Assistant City Manager*

Mr. McDonald oversees the Public Safety Departments (Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Services and Homeland Security and Emergency Management) as well as the Office of Labor Relations. He has more than 27 years experience with the City, the past eight as an Assistant City Manager. He worked through the ranks of the Police Department to Assistant Chief and was the first APD Chief of Staff before becoming an Assistant City Manager.

### Austin Revitalization Authority

**Dr. Charles Urdy**

*ARA Board Chair*

Dr. Urdy, a retired chemistry professor, had an academic career that spanned more than 40 years at colleges including Huston-Tillotson, North Carolina College, Prairie View A&M and Texas Southern. He served on the Austin City Council from 1981-1994.

### Urban Renewal Agency

**Sean Garretson**

*URA Vice Chair*

Mr. Garretson, President of Pegasus Planning and Development L.L.C., has consulted on such issues as land planning, market analysis and economic development for the past 15 years and works across the United States in leading downtown and corridor revitalization strategies.

## Industry Representatives

**Sandy Batisse**

*Mortgage Banker, Land Mortgage*

Ms. Batisse is a seasoned mortgage professional with more than 20 years experience in the real estate industry.

**Charles H. Heimsath**

*President, Capitol Market Research*

Mr. Heimsath has been active in commercial and residential market feasibility studies and real estate since 1976.

**Nikelle Meade**

*Attorney and Partner, Brown McCarroll L.L.P.*

Ms. Meade specializes in issues related to local government, real estate and legislative/government affairs.

**Jerry Rusthoven**

*Development Services Manager, City of Austin*

Mr. Rusthoven has worked with the City's development review process for more than 16 years. He oversees the annexation, historic preservation and zoning areas.



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