



AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2012

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

BRIEFINGS

- D.1 Briefing by the City Auditor regarding the implementation of the selection process for the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission and the Applicant Review Panel required by the City Charter. The presentation was made by Ken Morey, City Auditor, Jason Hadavi, Assistant City Auditor, and John Steiner, Attorney.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Mayor introduced the agenda for the December 6, 2012 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

Police

42. Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and the University of Texas at Austin in the amount of \$300,000 to cover the costs of research and evaluation for the City of Austin Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program over the 3-year grant period.

Item(s) from Council

63. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an interlocal agreement with the Texas Facilities Commission to participate in the Texas Facilities Commission's Capitol Area Development Strategy for sites located in the City. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 1: Council Member William Spelman CO 2: Council Member Chris Riley)
66. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to bring forward for Council consideration amendments to City Code Section 25-8-27 (Redevelopment Exception in the Barton Springs Zone) and other sections of the Code that will improve water quality and redevelopment opportunities in the Barton Springs Zone and other areas of the City. (Notes: SPONSOR:

Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 1: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 2: Council Member Chris Riley)

73. Approve an ordinance initiating amendments to City Code Chapter 25-6 to establish a pilot program to reduce parking requirements for commercial businesses utilizing trip-reduction strategies; and waiving the requirement of City Code Section 25-1-502.(Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Chris Riley CO 1: Council Member William Spelman)
74. Approve a resolution establishing an advisory group to assist in the development and preparation of a new Land Development Code per the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan.(Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 1: Council Member Chris Riley)
87. C14-2012-0106 - 5th & San Jacinto Rezoning - Approve second/third readings of an ordinance amending Chapter 25-2 of the Austin City Code by rezoning property locally known as 300 East 5th Street (Town Lake Watershed) from central business district (CBD) district zoning to central business district-central urban redevelopment district (CBD-CURE) combining district zoning. First reading approved on November 8, 2012. Vote 6-1, Council Member Tovo voted nay. Applicant: Harry Whittington, Mercedes Whittington, Sally May, Mercedes Greg, Margaret Puckett Trust, Sara May Trust, Caroline Puckett Trust, Michael May Trust, Camille May Trust, William Puckett Trust, Claire Whittington Trust. Agent: Armbrust & Brown, PLLC (Richard Suttle). City Staff: Clark Patterson, 974-7691.

Mayor Leffingwell announced that items 115-120 relating to the East Riverside Corridor will be postponed at staff's request to January 13, 2012.

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C.1 Council Meeting Policy Discussion

There was consensus to put any desired changes in the form of an ordinance so the Code could be amended if approved by a majority of the Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole adjourned the meeting at 11:47 a.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 13th day of December 2012 on Council Member Spelman's motion. Council Member Morrison's second on a 7-0 vote.