

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES****WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2013**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, February 26, 2013, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. Council Member Tovo was absent.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Mayor introduced the agenda for the February 28, 2013 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.

13. Approve a resolution for a conditional commitment of a loan in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 to 2007 Travis Heights, LP, an affiliate of Eureka Holdings, Inc., for the proposed demolition of existing structures and the new construction of 170 units located at 2324 Wilson Street, with funding being conditional upon the award of tax credits to 2007 Travis Heights, LP by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the proposed project.
36. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to explore financing options, including tax increment financing, for infrastructure improvements in the Airport Boulevard Corridor, including the Highland Mall. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Chris Riley CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 2: Council Member Mike Martinez)
40. Approve a resolution initiating code amendments to City Code Title 25 (Land Development) relating to the regulation of short-term rentals and directing the City Manager to implement related improvements to the permitting, licensure, and enforcement process. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member William Spelman CO 1: Council Member Chris Riley CO 2: Mayor Lee Leffingwell)
55. C14-2012-0097 - Little Woodrow's Bar & Restaurant - Approve third reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 25-2 of the Austin City Code by rezoning property locally known as 5425 Burnet Road (Waller Creek Watershed) from general commercial services-mixed use-vertical mixed use building-conditional overlay-neighborhood plan (CS-MU-V-CO-NP) combining district zoning to commercial liquor sales-mixed use-vertical mixed use building-conditional overlay-neighborhood plan (CS-1-MU-V-CO-NP) combining district zoning. First reading approved on December 13, 2012. Vote 4-2, Council Members Morrison and Tovo voted nay. Council Member Martinez off the dais. Second reading approved on January 31, 2013. Vote 4-3, Council Members Martinez, Morrison, and Tovo voted nay. Applicant: Rick Engel. Agent: Alice Glasco Consulting, Inc. (Alice Glasco). City Staff: Clark Patterson, 974-7691.

BRIEFINGS

- D.1 Bond election specific to affordable housing.

The presentation was made by Bert Lumbreras, Assistant City Manager, Betsy Spencer, Director Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, Rebecca Giello, Assistant Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.

Direction was given to provide a cost of the three election dates provided.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST CONTINUED

38. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to develop recommendations for a local and healthy food purchasing policy for the City and a healthy vending machine policy for City facilities. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Laura Morrison CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 2: Council Member Mike Martinez)
30. Approve an ordinance amending City Code Section 13-2-13 to provide authority for a police officer to impound a ground transportation service vehicle operated in violation of City Code 13-2-3 (Operating Authority or Taxicab Franchise Required); and declaring an emergency.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole recessed the Council Meeting to go into Executive Session at 10:41 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

- E.1 Discuss legal issues related to PUCT Docket No. 40627, Petition by Homeowners United for Rate Fairness to Review City of Austin Rate Ordinance No. 20120607-055 (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071).

Executive Session ended and Mayor Pro Tem called the Council Meeting back to order at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 7th day of March 2013 on Council Member Martinez' motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.