

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

# WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2014

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2014, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. Mayor Leffingwell was absent.

The Mayor Pro Tem introduced the agenda for the September 25, 2014 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.

- 80. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to process amendments to the City Code that authorize street performers and buskers on public right-of-way and to bring the proposed amendments to Council by a date certain. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 1: Council Member Chris Riley CO 2: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole)
- 81. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to engage relevant stakeholders and City departments to ensure the City is creating a safe and vibrant environment in our downtown entertainment districts, to examine issues related to the downtown entertainment districts, and to report back to Council with any necessary recommended Code changes. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 1: Council Member Chris Riley)
- 90. Approve a resolution initiating a code amendment to City Code Chapter 25-2 relating to the in lieu donation affordable housing option for planned unit developments. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Laura Morrison CO 1: Council Member Kathie Tovo CO 2: Council Member Mike Martinez)

# **B. Briefings**

B.1 Water Resource Planning Task Force Report Briefing. **Presentation was made by Sharlene Leurig, Chair of the Austin Water Resource Planning Task Force and Greg Meszaros, Director Austin Water Utility.** 

# **<u>C. Council Items of Interest</u>**

54. Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 9-2 relating to permitting requirements for non-peak hour concrete installation within portions of the Central Business District (CBD), Downtown Mixed Use (DMU), and Public (P) zoning districts.
Direction was given to staff to report back to Council on how many days are permitted from start to finish for non-peak hour concrete installations. A request to postpone this item may be requested at the September 25, 2014 Council Meeting.

- 92. Approve a resolution initiating a Code amendment to City Code Title 25 regarding applications for amendments to the East Riverside Corridor Regulating Plan and to the related Figure 1-2 (East Riverside Corridor Subdstrict Map) and directing the City Manager to process the Code amendment. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member William Spelman CO 1: Council Member Kathie Tovo CO 2: Council Member Laura Morrison)
- 93. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to communicate to the Texas Department of Transportation the need and desire of the City to maximize the connections in the downtown/east Austin area through the use of Interstate 35 (I-35) right-of- way, the City's preference to create a two-way, two-lane, at grade connection along 5th Street, and the City's preference that the I-35 "Modified Existing" alternative, also known as the elevated alternative, not move forward in the National Environmental Policy Act process. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 1: Council Member Laura Morrison CO 2: Council Member Chris Riley)
- 143. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance adopting the Urban Trails Master Plan.

# **D.** Council Discussion

- D.1 Discuss potential appointees to the Low Income Consumer Advisory Task Force created by Resolution No. 20140828-158.
- D.2 Discussion on recommendations from the Boards and Commissions Transition Task Force.

### Mayor Pro Tem Cole adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 2nd day of October, 2014 on Mayor Pro Tem Cole's motion, Council Member Martinez' second on a 7-0 vote.