



**AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
October 1, 2014**

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Greg Smith, Chair
Sherry Cherry
Dr. Chiquita Eugene

Clifford Gillard
Daryl Horton, Vice Chair
Nelson Linder

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melodye Foust

Shannon Jones

CALL TO ORDER—5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Commissioner Smith.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

There were no speakers.

2. Community Nominations of Individuals to be considered for inclusion in the Art in Public Places Project at the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility

Ms. Charlotte Anderson presented a nomination for her father, Mr. Evers Lee Anderson. Mr. Eugene Shaw also spoke in favor of the nomination for Mr. Anderson.

Ms. Yvette Crawford Lee presented a nomination for her father, Mr. John Phillip Crawford, Sr.

THERE MAY BE DISCUSSION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

3. Approval of the minutes from the September 10, 2014 Regular Meeting

The minutes stand as presented.

4. Presentation: Proposed project to be funded by the November 2014 Bond Election (Kyle Keahey, Vice President and Project Lead-Project Connect: Central Corridor Study; HNTB)

Mr. Kyle Keahey presented information on the City of Austin 2014 Bond Election to fund the fixed rail transit system and road projects identified in the 2014 Austin Strategic Mobility Plan.

5. Discussion and Possible Action: Space allocation for Greater Austin Black Chamber of Commerce at African American Cultural and Heritage Facility and possibility of expansion of the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility

Without objection this item was postponed to the November meeting.

6. Action: Election of Chair and Vice Chair for to serve through June 30, 2015

A motion to nominate Daryl Horton for Chair of the Commission to serve through June 30, 2015 was made by Commissioner Gillard; seconded by Commissioner Linder. Vote 5-0-1-1 with Commissioner Eugene off the dais and Commissioner Cook absent.

A motion to nominate Sherry Cherry for Vice-Chair of the Commission to serve through June 30, 2015 was made by Commissioner Cherry; seconded by Commissioner Gillard. Vote 5-0-1-1 with Commissioner Eugene off the dais and Commissioner Cook absent.

7. Updates from Working Groups

a. Small Business/Parking Issues on E. 11th & E. 12th Streets

There was no report.

b. Photograph Selection for Mural

There was no report.

c. Health and Mental Health

There was no report.

d. Public Safety

There will be a Secure Communities Forum on October 15, 2015 at 6pm at the Mexican American Cultural Center.

8. Set agenda items for future meetings, including non-substantive housekeeping matters (such as meeting dates, potential topics, and information and research requests for staff)

The Commissioners would like to see a presentation on Section 8 Housing Vouchers and a presentation from SXSW on the Platinum Opportunity Badges for students at the November meeting.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.