

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting November 10, 2014, 5:00pm

One Texas Center, Public Works Directors Conference Room 505 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX 78704

Committee Members in Attendance:

Richard Hatfield Stephen Oliver Alfonso Hernadez

MINUTES

Members of the public in attendance: Frank Harren

Members of staff in attendance:

Robert Anderson (Planning & Development Review Department) Ming Chu (Planning & Development Review Department) Paul DiGiuseppe (Planning & Development Review Department) Carol Haywood (Planning & Development Review Department) Sylvia Leon-Guerrero (Planning & Development Review Department) Francis Reilly (Planning & Development Review Department) Janet Seibert (Economic Development Department) Jennifer Todd (Planning & Development Review Department)

Commissioner Hatfield called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Mr. Harren stated compact and connected is a core principal of Imagine Austin (it is part of two priority programs) and isn't equal to other priorities. The city must accommodate growth and embrace it. We currently are not growing much in the core and need to better accommodate growth through compact and connected.

2. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 13 2014 MINUTES

Commissioner Oliver moved to approve the minutes; Commissioner Hatfield seconded. The vote was unanimous (2-0).

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a) Ms. Todd presented the update on the Burnet/Anderson Corridor Plan. Part of the discussion focused on the treatment of transition zones in a harmonious way. Transitions will depend on the transect especially as there are some large parcels and many small parcels. Transitions will be helped by building types. They are working with CodeNEXT on issues such as small lots and parking constraints. They are currently looking at parking solutions. Tax Increment Financing and Public Improvement Districts are possible options. The corridor will contain transition boundaries that will be set as part of the process. They will include infrastructure analysis as part of the plan and are working with departments to mitigate constraints such as parking and drainage.
- b) Ms. Todd presented the update of the Economic Development Priority Program Team. Much of the discussion focused on the achievements of the last year as well as challenges that can be helped by partnerships. She also discussed how implementation opportunities exist to help support compact and connected development.
- c) Ms. Seibert presented the updated of the Creative Economy Priority Program Team. The discussion focused on various achievements. Part of the conversation focused on how the City can make free events visible to those with lower incomes.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Commission Oliver stated that Council has to determine if they will support Option 2 or 3
- b) NA

5. NEW BUSINESS

a) NA

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a) What is the future of South by Southwest

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm