



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – HOUSING COMMITTEE

June 1, 2015, 5:30 P.M.

Austin City Hall, Room 1029, 301 W. 2nd St., Austin, TX 78701

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

The Housing Committee convened in a regular meeting on Monday, June 1, 2015, at Austin City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701, Boards and Commissions Room.

Chair Paup called the meeting to order at approximately 5:39pm.

Board Members in Attendance:

Karen Paup, Chair
Elizabeth Mueller
Margarita Decierdo
Gilbert Rivera

Staff in Attendance:

Rebecca Giello
Regina Copic
Jessi Koch
Erica Leak
Lauren Avioli
Jim Padilla

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

No speakers.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the March 10, 2015 meeting minutes, with one amendment, was made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Decierdo, and was approved unanimously.

The amendment was to item 3b, noting Commissioner Mueller's request that District E be excluded from future homestead preservation district financing analysis.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action on Accessory Dwelling Units.

*The following members of the public provided comment on this item:
Brennan Griffin (Austinites for Urban Rail Action)
Mary Ingle (Austin Neighborhood Council)*

Commissioner Rivera entered during discussion.



A motion to recommend that the CDC endorse proposed code changes pertaining to accessory dwelling units was made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Rivera, and approved unanimously. Text from the recommendation that was ultimately approved by the full CDC is below.

“The CDC endorses the proposed code changes 1-5 of the City of Austin Planning Commission’s May 26, 2015 recommendations on C20-2014-012 – accessory dwelling units. The CDC understands item 6 to be a continuation of where accessory dwelling units are currently allowed. The CDC recommends that the City of Austin develop additional strategies to lower costs of building accessory dwelling units, and develop resources to help low-income owners finance them, or any owners that will build accessory dwelling units for low-income tenants.

For reference purposes, the proposed changes endorsed by the CDC are featured below.

- 1) Reduce building separation from 15 feet to 10 feet.*
- 2) Allow an entrance within 10 feet of a property line.*
- 3) Remove driveway placement requirement.*
- 4) Change parking requirement to 1 off street space for all units.*
- 5) Prohibit use as Type 2 Short Term Rental.”*

4. NEW BUSINESS: None

5. NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (NHCD) STAFF UPDATE

Jessi Koch gave the presentation.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None discussed.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 5:00pm
Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11th Street Room 400a, Austin, Texas 78702

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Rivera and seconded by Commissioner Mueller. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:01pm without objection.