

DOWNTOWN COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2015

The Downtown Commission convened in a meeting on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

Downtown Commissioners in Attendance:

Chair Joel Sher, Vice Chair Bart Whatley, Dale Glover, Sunshine Mathon, Maureen Metteauer, Jim Nix, Lindsey Sokol and Bruce Willenzik

Downtown Commissioners Not in Attendance:

Jude Galligan, Mark Gilbert, Dan Leary, Brian Roark and Owen Snell

City Staff in Attendance:

Michael Knox and Mona Sanchez, Economic Development Department

Alan Holt, Planning and Zoning Department

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Joel Sher called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no citizens signed up to speak on general communication.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY 20, 2015 MEETING

The minutes from the May 20, 2015 meeting was approved on a vote of 7-0 on Commissioner Metteauer's motion and Commissioner Glover's second, with Commissioner Mathon abstaining.

4. SOUTH CENTRAL WATERFRONT INITIATIVE

The Commission heard a presentation from Alan Holt with the Planning and Zoning Department.

No action was taken.

5. WORKING GROUPS

- A. Report from the Downtown Alleys as Open Space Working Group No updates were reported.
- B. Report from the Downtown Plan Implementation Working Group

The Downtown Plan Implementation Working Group met with the City staff overseeing CodeNEXT and learned that over the next year staff will continue to work on Codenext modifications.

C. Discussion and Possible Action on the Creation of New Working Groups No new working groups were created.

6. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Willenzik reported on discussions of the Arts Commission.
Commissioner Sokol reported on discussions of the Music Commission. Commissioner Glover reported on discussions at the Parks Board.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF

• Michael Knox reported on the status of reappointment members to the Commission.

8. POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Central Health Brackenridge Campus Redevelopment
- Update on CodeNEXT and Downtown Austin Plan
- Convention Center Expansion
- Sobriety Center
- Seaholm Intake
- South Central Waterfront
- Frank Erwin Center replacement site
- Relocation of Art City Austin

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.