

# AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. Council Member Renteria was absent.

### **COUNCIL DISUSSION**

D.1 Discussion regarding the operating procedures of the city council and of council committees.

This item was withdrawn without objection.

## **COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

The Mayor introduced the agenda for the January 28, 2016 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.

- 71. Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Emergency Medical Services Department, eliminating and creating certain positions, establishing pay rates and repealing Ordinance No. 20150908-006 relating to Emergency Medical Services Department classifications and positions.
- 31. Authorize payment of the City's annual membership dues for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 to the Lone Star Rail District, in an amount not to exceed \$49,500.00.
- 42. Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with TCS INTERNATIONAL for the installation of sensors and signage for the implementation of a dynamic parking system for the Transportation Department, in an amount not to exceed \$658,164. (Notes: This contract is exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.)
- 50. Approve a list of proposed projects available to utilize the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority quarter-cent fund.
- 10. Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN UNDERGROUND, INC., for the Main to Junction 420 Downtown Area project in the amount of \$4,732,997.65 plus a \$236,649.88

contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,969,647.53. (Notes: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program by meeting the goals with 94.77% MBE and 0.98% WBE participation.)

92. Approve an ordinance relating to a voluntary background check program for people using a variety of online services involving peer-to-peer transactions. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Steve Adler CO 1: Council Member Gregorio Casar CO 2: Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria CO 3: Council Member Sheri Gallo)

A request to either postpone or withdraw this item may be made for the January 28, 2016 Council Meeting.

93. Approve an ordinance relating to ground transportation passenger services. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Steve Adler CO 1: Council Member Gregorio Casar CO 2: Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria CO 3: Council Member Sheri Gallo)

A request set this item for a time certain of 2 PM may be requested at the Thursday Council Meeting.

- 94. Approve an ordinance relating to ground transportation passenger services. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Steve Adler CO 1: Council Member Gregorio Casar CO 2: Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria CO 3: Council Member Sheri Gallo)
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- 95. Approve an ordinance relating to a voluntary background check program for people using a variety of ground transportation passenger services. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Steve Adler CO 1: Council Member Gregorio Casar CO 2: Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria CO 3: Council Member Sheri Gallo)
  - A request set this item for a time certain of 2 PM may be requested at the Thursday Council Meeting.
- 96. Approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20151217-075 to amend the effective date; and declaring an emergency. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Steve Adler CO 1: Council Member Gregorio Casar CO 2: Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria CO 3: Council Member Sheri Gallo)

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- 56. Approve an ordinance relating to ground transportation passenger service providers. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Ann Kitchen CO 1: Council Member Delia Garza CO 2: Council Member Leslie Pool CO 3: Council Member Sheri Gallo)
  - A request set this item for a time certain of 2 PM may be requested at the Thursday Council Meeting.
- 68. Approve a resolution related to funding policy goals for social service contracts and the Health and Human Services Department.
- 69. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to include consideration of whether to allow digital signage as part of the CodeNext process.
- 70. Approve a resolution initiating amendments to City Code Chapter 25-10 (Sign Regulations) relating to digital signage.

- 91. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance relating to short-term rental use.

  A request set this item for a time certain of 4 PM may be requested at the Thursday Council Meeting.
- 80. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 relating to approval requirements for Planned Unit Development zoning cases.
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- 85. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 to limit the redevelopment of existing small (substandard) lots that are developed as a single building site.
- 86. Conduct a public hearing and consider on 2nd and 3rd readings an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-1 and Ordinance No. 20070621-027 relating to parkland dedication requirements and associated fees imposed as a condition to development approval.

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Direction was given to staff to provide a cost-benefit analysis to the Council prior to Thursday's Council Meeting.

### **BRIEFINGS**

B.1 Families in Austin: a snapshot

Presentation was made by Ryan Robinson, City Demographer, Planning and Zoning Department.

Direction was given to staff to include charter schools on the map relating to East Austin school attendance.

Mayor Adler recessed the Council Meeting to go into Executive Session at 12:08 p.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

- E.1 Discuss legal issues related to open government matters (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
  - This item was withdrawn without objection.
- E.2 Discuss legal issues related to Mercer et al v. City of Austin et al, Cause No. 1:13-cv-00830, in the United States District Court for the Western Division of Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code) (Related to July 26, 2013 officer-involved shooting).
- E.3 Discuss legal issues related to a potential election in May 2016 concerning Transportation Network Companies and other potential ballot measures (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

The Mayor announced that discussion may occur in Executive Session relating to items 80 and 91.

- 80. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 relating to approval requirements for Planned Unit Development zoning cases.
- 91. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance relating to short-term rental use.

Executive Session ended and Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting back to order at 2:34 p.m.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the  $4^{\rm th}$  day of February 2016 on Council Member Gallo's motion, Council Member Zimmerman's second on an 11-0 vote.