



**Economic Opportunity Committee  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
24<sup>th</sup> of August, 2015**

The Economic Opportunity Committee convened in a regular meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> of August, 2015 in the Austin City Council Chambers at 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Ellen Troxclair called the committee Meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

**Committee Members in Attendance:**

*Chair Troxclair, Vice Chair Houston and Council Members Casar and Pool.*

**Staff in Attendance:**

Sylvia Holt-Rabb, Assistant Director, Economic Development Department

Kevin Johns, Director, Economic Development Department

Mark Tester, Director, Austin Convention Center Department

Don Pitts, Music Program Manager, Economic Development Department

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the minutes of the Economic Opportunity Committee meeting of June 8, 2015.

Minutes were approved on Vice Chair's motion and Council Member Casar second on a vote of 3-0 with Council Member Pool off dais.

**2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

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

**3. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

Sylvia Holt-Rabb, Assistant Director of EDD gave a presentation on the status of the Request for Proposal for a consultant cooperatively-owned business study.

Kevin Johns, Director, Economic Development Department gave a presentation on the status of activities within the divisions of the Economic Development Department.

Mark Tester, Director, Austin Convention Center gave a presentation providing a presentation on the status of the report on Urban Land Institute's Technical Assistance Panel regarding the proposed expansion of the Convention Center.

Don Pitts, Music Program Manager, Economic Development Department gave a presentation providing an overview of the Austin Music Census.

**4. ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

Possible action on a recommendation regarding the request for proposal for a consultant cooperatively-owned business study.

Council Member Casar motioned to move forward to use funds for the study with a second from Chair Troxclair on a motion of 4-0.

**5 DISCUSSION AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

There was no public testimony.

**6. ADJOURN**

**Chair Ellen Troxclair adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m. without objection**

**The minutes were approved on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015 on Council Member Troxclair' s motion and Council Member Casar's second with a vote of 3-0, with Council Member Pool off dais.**