



COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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MINUTES

Regular Meeting

September 14, 2016

Austin Public Studios

1143 Northwestern Blvd - Austin, TX 78702

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CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Virgilia Singh - Mayor Steve Adler

VACANT - Council Member Ora Houston, District 1

VACANT - Council Member Delia Garza, District 2

Malcolm Yeatts - Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria, District 3

David Alexander - Council Member Gregorio Casar, District 4

Dave Floyd - Council Member Ann Kitchen, District 5

Lemuel Williams - Council Member Don Zimmerman, District 6

Mateo Clarke - Council Member Leslie Pool, District 7

Tanner Vaughan - Council Member Ellen Troxclair, District 8

Angela Newell - Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, District 9

Sumit DasGupta - Council Member Sheri Gallo, District 10

Commission Members Present:

Malcolm Yeatts

David Alexander

Dave Floyd

Lemuel Williams

Mateo Clarke

Tanner Vaughan

Sumit DasGupta

Virgilia Singh

Commission Member with Excused Absence:

Angela Newell

City Staff in Attendance:

Rondella Hawkins

Paul Lewis

John Speirs
Jane Reina

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 pm

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first ten 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 citizens signed up for general citizen communications.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 10, 2016

Minutes from the Commission’s regular meeting of August 10, 2016 were approved on Commissioner Vaughan’s motion; Commissioner DasGupta’s second, on a vote of 8-0. (Commission Newell excused absence)

3. Election of Community Technology & Telecommunications Commission Vice-Chair.

Motion to accept Commissioner Mateo Clarke as Vice Chair to the Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission for the remainder of the term May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2017 was approved on consent of the Commission. (Commission Newell excused absence)

4. PRESENTATIONS

a. Austin Public update. (Mirasol Enriquez, Director of Community Media)

Ms. Enriquez, Director of Community Media for Austin Public gave an overview of the training and use of the facility and equipment. Austin Public manages the City of Austin’s Community Media Center.

b. Google Fiber deployment and Community Connections Program update.

Parisa Fatehi-Weeks, Head of Community Impact Programs and Investments with Google Fiber gave the update to the Commission. Visit this link for an overview of the update.
<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=263665>

5. Commission Updates (Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Commission Effectiveness Working Group.

Commissioner Vaughan stated the best way for this Working Group (WG) to be most effective is to meet with their perspective Council Members to find out what they need from this Commission in order for the Council member to do their job better.

This WG also needs to ask their Council Member what Commissions are bringing the most value and why. The WG needs to then view the meeting of these other Commissions.

Commissioner Clarke stated one of their goals to put together a yearend report, which he is working on, that will then be submitted to their Council Member. This will also set the stage for future Commissioners.

Commission Singh is now part of this WG.

b. Community Engagement Working Group.

Commissioner DasGupta reported that he and Rondella Hawkins met with Stephen Elkins, City of Austin's Chief Information Officer, which led him to Charles Purma. Mr. Purma is involved with Austin City Up whose focus is small cell deployment. This WG will be looking into how the Austin City Up group can line up with this WG's goals.

c. Civic Technology Working Group.

Commissioner Yeatts reported he met with Austin Public and they will be presenting to the Council Committee on Economic Opportunity about the economic impact on the resources at the public access studios.

Visit these links for reports: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=263664>
<http://www.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=264291>

d. Open Government Working Group.

Commissioner Clarke reported that the WG has a conference call scheduled with Stephen Elkins regarding the 2011 Open Government resolution. The Open Government initiative has been moving forward by the City Manager through memos. They will be talking with Mr. Elkins on revisiting the resolution on how to improve implementation of the resolution.

Within the City there is an Open Government Operating Board, which includes different City departments that publish open data. What can this Commission do to help move this board's agenda forwards?

Council Task Force on Community Engagement published a report in May 2016 that recommends things that are within our purview, such as digital engagement, and improving the way the city provides technology services.

6. Grant for Technology Opportunities Working Group (GTOPs) update & possible recommendation. (John Speirs)

John Speirs presented the update.

Motion to approve the timeline for the 2017 Grant for Technology Opportunities Program (GTOPs) was made on Commissioner Alexander's motion; Commissioner Clarke's second, on a vote of 8-0. Commission Newell excused absence)

Visit this link for the recommendation, timeline, and grant cycle.
<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=262896>

Motion to approve Commissioner Singh as the Commission Liaison to the 2017 Grant for Technology Opportunities Program (GTOPs) Review Committee was made on Commissioner Williams' motion; Commissioner DasGupta's second, on a vote of 7-0. (Commissioner Singh abstained from the vote. (Commission Newell excused absence)

7. **Staff Briefings** (A member of the public may not address a board at a meeting on an item posted as a briefing)
 - a. **Legislative & Regulatory Overview, & Public, Educational & Government (PEG) Access. (written report)**

Visit this link for the written report.
<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=262895>

b. Wireless Communications. (Rondella Hawkins)

Rondella Hawkins, Officer, Telecommunications and Regulatory Affairs gave a presentation on the Wireless Communications project in the City of Austin. Visit this link for the presentation. <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=262897>

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Next Regular Meeting: October 12, 2016

Proposed agenda items for October 12, 2016

- Commission Working Group updates
- 2017 GTOPs briefing
- Distracted Drive Ordinance written briefing
- Airport Technology written briefing
- Question & Answer discussion with Austin's Broadband Providers - representatives from AT&T, Google Fiber, Grande Communications and Time Warner Cable.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

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