



**DOWNTOWN COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2017**

The Downtown Commission convened in a meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 301 W. 2nd Street.

Downtown Commissioners in Attendance:

Chair Joel Sher, Vice Chair Jennifer Bristol, Commissioner David Gomez, Commissioner August Harris, Commissioner Andrew Harrison, Commissioner Chris Knipe, Commissioner Christopher Lehman, Commissioner Megan Meisenbach, Commissioner Bruce Willenzik

Downtown Commissioners Not in Attendance:

Commissioner Timothy Moore, Commissioner Sam Sargent, Commissioner Marshall Escamilla, Commissioner Mary Jo Galinda, Commissioner Jonathan Gins and Commissioner Richard DePalma

City Staff in Attendance:

Christine Maguire, Mona Sanchez, David Colligan and Julia Campbell, Economic Development Department

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Sara Black spoke about 'Fake City.'

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2017 REGULAR MEETING

The minutes from the September 20, 2017 regular meeting were approved on Vice Chair Bristol's motion and Commissioner Moore's second, on a 6-0 vote.

4. 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

Commissioner Harris made a motion to move the November 21st meeting to November 14th and approve the 2018 meeting schedule with Commissioner Harrison's second on a vote of 6-0.

5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE POLICY

Presentation made by David Colligan, Global Business Recruitment & Expansion Manager, Economic Development Department.

No action was taken.

6. MOVABILITY AUSTIN

Presentation made by Jim Pledger, Movability Board Chairman and Molly Alexander, Executive President, Downtown Austin Alliance.

No action was taken.

7. DOWNTOWN VISIONING

Presentation made by Melissa Barry, Downtown Austin Alliance.
No action was taken.

8. CAPITAL METRO CONNECTIONS 2025 PLAN

Presentation made by Roberto Gonzalez, Capital Metro.
No action was taken.

9. WORKING GROUPS

A. Working Group regarding reviewing the CodeNEXT

The working group reported their next meeting is October 25th, 2017.

B. Historic Commission Moontower Restoration Working Group

Austin Energy and the University of Texas continue discussions regarding placement of the historic Moontower.

10. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM COMMISSIONERS

There were no items from Commissioners reported.

11. ITEMS FROM STAFF

There were no items from staff reported.

12. POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- **Austin Energy District Cooling Plant #3**
- **Austin Convention Center Expansion Update**

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

The minutes were approved on this the 15th day of November 2017 on Commissioner Harris' motion and Commissioner Meisenbach second on a vote of 9-0.