



## **Annual Internal Review**

**This report covers the time period of 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018**

### **Economic Prosperity Commission**

**The Board/Commission mission statement** (per the City Code) **is:**

To advise the council on matters related to construction and job creation. The Commission should include representatives from trade and business associations and chambers of commerce.

- 1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.**  
*(Reference all reports, recommendations, letters or resolutions presented to the City Council on mission-specific issues. If some of the elements of the mission statement were not acted on by the board in the past year, the report should explain why no action was taken.)*

Over the past year the commission picked up the pace further of fulfilling its mission. We had a number of guests who informed us of issues pertaining to jobs and construction as well as citizens who brought up concerns.

- Recommendation Number: 20171115-004a Recommendation Regarding the Austin Metro Area Master Community Workforce Plan - The Economic Prosperity Commission recommends the City of Austin support the Workforce Plan – and further recommendations in 2018
- Recommendation Number: (20170719-003C) Economic Prosperity Commission Multi Ethnic Chamber Alliance Recommendation - Develop a MECA Chamber of Commerce budgeting methodology that is data driven, transparent, fair and impartial; Publish said budgeting methodology; Review

the contracts with the MECA Chambers of Commerce, as needed, to ensure they conform with said budgeting methodology

- We wrote a letter to the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Council to encourage adoption of missing middle housing and increased density in Code Next 2.0
- Recommendation No. 20171018-4.d. – Economic Prosperity Commission Update from working group on response to Council Resolution 20170323-053 local workers cooperative and recommendation to council – Recommending that the City Council allocate \$75,000 in the next fiscal year for the funding of an RFP to contract technical assistance relating to worker cooperative development and support.
- Recommendation No. 20171018-4.c. – Economic Prosperity Commission update from working group for the Chapter 380 Performance-Based Contract Policy revision and recommendation to Council regarding commission review – That the City of Austin's Economic Development Office is directed to send any and all proposals regarding the Chapter 380 Economic Development Program to the Economic Prosperity Commission for input and further recommendation prior to remitting said proposals to City Council.
- Economic Prosperity Commission Recommendation No. 20171018-4.b. – Economic Prosperity Commission Update from working group on the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce meeting and recommendation to Council – That the city support a bid for Amazon HQ2
- Recommendation Number: (20180620-004b) Economic Prosperity Commission Recommendation - Approve a Resolution supporting the May 2018 New Economic Development Policy document, including the Economic Development Guiding Principles, Chapter 380 Policy Framework, Business Expansion Program Guidelines, and further Location-Based program development;

**2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.**

*(If any of the board's actions were outside the scope of the mission statement, the report should explain the non-compliance issues.)*

The board's action's did indeed comply with its mission statement. The commission's mission statement is in itself broad, and all research, letters and recommendations and guest speakers fell under the broad mission statement.

**3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.**

*(Make sure the goals and objectives fall within the mission statement of the board/commission)*

- Present recommendations regarding the city budget
- Contribute to issues of affordability, mobility, transportation, economic development, economic incentives, zoning and land use, and economic mobility
- Further research recommendations we can make to council to help the economic development department be successful.
- Continue to invite city leaders to present on relevant issues
- Take action to send forth further advisory recommendations to the city council