



**REGIONAL AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 21, 2018**

The Regional Affordability Committee convened in a regular meeting on Monday, May 21, 2018 in the Boards and Commissions Room at City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Garza called the Committee Meeting to order at 3:23 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Delia Garza (Chair) - City of Austin
Charles Chadwell (Vice Chair) - Round Rock ISD
Ann Kitchen- City of Austin
Jeff Travillion – Travis County
Terry Mitchell- Austin Community College

Dr. Nora Comstock, ACC Board of Trustees
Ann Teich – Austin ISD
Paul Saldana – Austin ISD

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes as amended from the March 19, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously 7-0 on a motion by Committee Member Teich, seconded by Committee Member Travillion.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

STAFF BRIEFING

3. Briefing and discussion by the Austin Tenant's Council on evictions in Central Texas

Juliana Gonzalez and Daniel Armendariz gave an overview on the eviction process in Central Texas, the Council's experience with evictions, and provided a comprehensive list of recommendations for the Committee to consider. They then answered questions from the Committee Members.

4. Briefing and discussion on the update to Project Connect

Todd Hemingson, Capital Metro (CapMetro) gave an update on the Project Connect process and how it interacts with affordability. He provided opportunities to provide input on Project Connect, and answered questions from the Committee Members.

5. Briefing and discussion on an update from the Anti-Displacement Task Force

Nefertiti Jackmon and Raul Alvarez, co-chairs of the Anti-Displacement Task Force, gave an overview of the progress to date with Anti-Displacement Task Force. They began their work in January of 2018, and have met monthly since. They are a 17 member task force. They then answered questions from the Committee Members and received feedback related to their recommendations.

FUTURE ITEMS

6. Discussion of future agenda items.

- Creation and discussion of addressing eviction issues
- Action item discussion on adding tenant's rights to legislative agenda
 - Creating a packet of information for the legislators (Bill of Rights, etc. 2nd chance housing [like the fair chance hiring])
- Canceling July Meeting.
- Affordable land inventory
- Public Transit and displaced communities

ADJOURN

Chair Garza adjourned the meeting at 4:56 p.m. without objection.

The meeting minutes of the May 21, 2018 Regional Affordability Committee were approved on November 19, 2018 on Committee member Shea's motion, seconded by Committee member Comstock, on a 8-0 vote, with Committee members Kitchen, Troxclair, Mitchell, and Woody off the dais.