



COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Wednesday – September 11, 2019 – 6:30 PM

Austin Public – Studio One

1143 Northwestern Avenue - Austin, TX 78702

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CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Sophie Gairo - Mayor Steve Adler

Nehemiah Pitts III - Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, District 1

Claudia Yanez - Mayor Pro Tem 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

Irfan Syed - Council Member Jimmy Flannigan, District 6

Dina Ayman - Council Member Leslie Pool, District 7

Michelle Reinhardt - Council Member Paige Ellis, District 8

Nicole Thompson – Council Member Kathie Tovo, District 9

Sumit DasGupta - Council Member Alison Alter, District 10

Commission Members Present

Sophie Gairo

Nehemiah Pitts III

Malcolm Yeatts

David Alexander

Dave Floyd

Irfan Syed

Dina Ayman

Nicole Thompson

Sumit DasGupta

Unexcused Absence

Claudia Yanez

Unexcused Absence

Michelle Reinhardt

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 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 to speak.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 10, 2019

Minor changes to the minutes were read into the record.

Motion to approve minutes as amended made by Chair Pitts, seconded by Commissioner DasGupta passed on a vote of 9-0.

3. STAFF AND COMMUNITY BRIEFINGS (A member of the public may not address a board at a meeting on an item posted as a briefing)

a. Presentation of police video coordination with Travis County Prosecutor's Office (Troy Gay, Assistant Chief of Police, City of Austin)

Presentation by Assistant Chief of Police can be viewed [here](#).

b. Presentation on the re-design of the City website (Yasmin Wagner, Manager, City of Austin)

There was no presentation on this item.

4. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Introduction of new Commissioner (appointed by Mayor Steve Adler)

Commissioner Sophie Gairo introduced herself to the Commission.

b. Recommendations for the 2020 Grant for Technology Opportunities Program (Jesse Rodriguez, City of Austin)

John Speirs and Jesse Rodriguez gave an overview of the changes to the GTOPs 2020 cycle, including how the increase in funding of \$200,000 will be utilized. The memo supporting this presentation can be viewed [here](#).

Motion to approve the recommendations made for the GTOPs 2020 process made by Commissioner DasGupta, seconded by Commissioner Floyd passed on a vote of 9-0.

- c. **Update on the Land Development Code Revision Team Resolution and possible action proposing a Council Committee Agenda Request**

Motion to approve the Council Committee Agenda Item Request made by Commissioner Yeatts and seconded by Commissioner DasGupta passed on a vote of 9-0.

- 5. **COMMISSION UPDATES (Discussion and Possible Action)**
 - a. **Digital Inclusion and Civic Engagement Working Group**

Chair Pitts noted the success of the Commission in doubling the funding of GTOPs and a community meeting on planning for the coming Digital Inclusion Week (October 7-11). He also mentioned scheduling a joint working group call with this working group, the Strategic Technology and Telecom Policy Impact Working Group, and HACA.

- b. **Knowledge, Information, and Data Stewardship Working Group**

Commissioner Alexander noted that this working group is keeping tabs on the update to the City Website and will track the progress of the Council Committee Agenda Request passed under item 4c. He is interested in finding out how to enhance transparency and collaboration in the City and between the City and the County.

- c. **Technology, Infrastructure, and Innovation Working Group**

Commissioner DasGupta noted that the working group has generated a list of questions for San Antonio's energy authority on the topic of One Touch Make Ready. They will send the list of questions to San Antonio a week ahead of the call, once scheduled.

- d. **Strategic Technology and Telecom Policy Impact Working Group**

Commissioner Ayman noted that the Working Group had narrowed down the time frame of the proposed summit to either SXSW (April-March) or Digital Inclusion Week (October) in 2020. She also discussed possibly partnering with the Austin Forum on Technology and Society and Society of Information Management. Chair Pitts noted that the group would be reaching out to the County Commissioners, CTM CIO Stephen Elkins, as well as key contacts at Austin Energy, Austin Water, and Capital Metro. Chair Pitts advocated towards holding the summit during Digital Inclusion Week 2020

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next Regular Meeting: October 9, 2019

- How city infrastructure is being utilized for the Austin Smart meter efforts
- Presentation by Tiny Transit
- Presentation by an AV/EV company
- Presentations related to the video recording of Code Next meetings (priority)
- Presentations related to the collecting Council votes in tabular form
- GTOPs 2020 Recommendations
- Presentation from Telecommunication and Regulatory Affairs Small Cell Project Manager

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner DasGupta and seconded by Commissioner Alexander passed on a vote of 9-0 at 9:00pm.

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Posting Submitted by: Jesse Rodriguez, Business Process Specialist, Wednesday, October 24, 2019