



**URBAN RENEWAL BOARD**  
**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Work Session**  
**January 29, 2020**

The Urban Renewal Board convened the Work Session on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, at the Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 400A, Austin TX.

Chair Escobar called the Board Meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Manuel Escobar, Chair  
Roxanne Evans, Vice-Chair  
Darrell Pierce  
Danielle Skidmore  
Jacqueline Watson

**Board Members Absent:**

Amit Motwani  
Nathaniel Bradford

**Staff in Attendance:**

Gina Copic  
Sandra Harkins  
Mark Walters

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Commissioners primary responsibility is to oversee the implementation and compliance of approved Urban Renewal Plans that are adopted by the Austin City Council. An Urban Renewal Plan's primary purpose is to eliminate slum and blighting influence within a designated area of the city.

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approval of the December 2, 2019, Work Session Meeting Minutes. The motion to approve the December 2, 2019, work session minutes, was made by Commissioner Watson, seconded by Vice-Chair Evans and approved on a 4-0-0 vote.
- 2. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Discussion and possible action on recommended modifications to the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan and the East 11<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) to parallel the structure of the current East 12<sup>th</sup> Street NCCD.

Sandra Harkins, NHCD Staff, presented recommended modifications to the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan that included, but not limited to:

1. Adding and reorganizing sections of the Urban Renewal Plan (Table of Contents)
2. Updating the History (previously Background)
  - a. Added accomplishments, to date
3. Removing Definitions Section and replacing with Permitted Use Charts or relocating key terms to more appropriate sections
4. Amending: Vision, Purpose, Authority and Scope
5. New section for Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD)
6. Delete obsolete requirements, language, figures and tables
7. Delete all tear sheet illustrations
8. Update Duration and Modification Procedures
9. Delete the provisions that allow the Urban Renewal Board to waive certain redevelopment project controls
10. Add an Appendix

Mark Walters, Zoning and Planning Staff presented a first draft of the rewrite to the East 11<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD).

The Urban Renewal Board recessed at 6:48 p.m.

The Urban Renewal Board reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

Chair Escobar requested:

1. Language to be included in both documents to address future changes in LDC uses and/or if the NCCD were to go away.
  - a. If something changes after Council adoption of both documents, language/term stays how it was approved.
2. A development standards comparison chart for the East 11<sup>th</sup> Street NCCD and the Urban Renewal Plan

Citizen input was taken during the meeting.

No action was taken. Item will be placed on the Urban Renewal Board's February 10, 2020 agenda.

#### **NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 10, 2020, at 6.00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT** - Meeting ended at 7:18 p.m.