



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (CDC)

**DRAFT Minutes**

**Regular Meeting**

**September 14, 2021 – 6:30pm**

**Austin City Hall, Board and Commission- Room 1101**

**301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, TX 78701**

**Some members of the Community Development Commission may participate by video conference.**

### CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

<b>Amit Motwani, Chair</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Fisayo Fadelu</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Vacant</b> Dove Springs	<b>Julia Woods</b> South Austin
<b>Karen Paup, Vice Chair</b> Private Sector Appointee	<b>Cheryl Thompson</b> St. John's	<b>Kendra Garrett</b> Private Sector Appointee	<b>Eloise Sepeda</b> Public Sector Appointee
<b>Bertha Delgado</b> East Austin	<b>Miriam Garcia</b> North Austin	<b>Heidi Sloan</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Shakita Hawthorne</b> Rosewood-Zaragosa/Blackland
<b>Joe Deshotel</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Jose Noe Elias</b> Montopolis	<b>Michael Tolliver</b> Colony Park	

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<b>Members in Attendance</b>	<b>Members Absent</b>	<b>Staff in Attendance</b>
Amit Motwani, Chair Karen Paup, Vice Chair Joe Deshotel Jose Noe Elias Kendra Garrett Heidi Sloan Cheryl Thompson Michael Tolliver Julia Woods	Bertha Delgado Miriam Garcia Eloise Sepeda Shakita Hawthorne Fisayo Fadelu	Erica Leak Angel Zambrano Mandy DeMayo James May Brion Oaks

# **DRAFT MINUTES**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Motwani called the meeting to order at 6:39pm with 9 members present.**

## **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 10 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.

*Melinda Barsales from Community Advancement Network (CAN) spoke about CAN's work.*

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Discussion and possible action on the August 10, 2021, Community Development Commission meeting minutes.

*On Commissioner Tolliver's motion, Commissioner Garrett's second, the August 10, 2021, meeting minutes were approved unanimously.*

### **2. COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)**

- a) Briefing and discussion on the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) (Angel Zambrano, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Austin Public Health)

*Angel Zambrano gave the briefing.*

- b) Discussion and possible action on the Neighborhood Services Unit's Mission Statement per Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs Organizational Standard 4.1 which states that, "The board has reviewed the organization's mission statement within the past 5 years and assured that: 1) The mission addresses poverty; and 2) The organization's programs and services are in alignment with the mission. (Angel Zambrano, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Austin Public Health)

*On Commissioner Deshotel's motion, Commissioner Tolliver's second, the following proposed mission statement for the Neighborhood Services Unit was unanimously approved: The Neighborhood Services Unit improves the lives and health of people experiencing poverty by providing public health and social services and connecting residents of Austin and Travis County to community resources.*

### **3. NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Briefing on Project Connect Racial Equity Anti-Displacement Tool (Susana Almanza, Jasmine Willis, and Stephanie Webb, Racial Equity Catalysts, Brion Oaks, Chief Equity Officer, Equity Office, Rachel Tepper and Erica Leak, Housing and Planning Department)

*Susana Almanza, Stephanie Webb, Brion Oaks, and Erica Leak gave the presentation.*

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- b) Affordable Housing Bond Update and Production Report (James May and Mandy DeMayo, Housing and Planning Department)

*James May and Mandy DeMayo gave the presentation.*

- c) Selection of a representative to the Austin Transit Partnership (ATP) Community Advisory Committee

*Commissioner Elias was selected as the representative for the next ATP meeting.*

#### **4. WORKING GROUP AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Update from the Housing Investment Review Committee (Commissioner Deshotel)

*Commissioner Deshotel provided the update.*

- b) Update from the Austin Transit Partnership (ATP) Community Advisory Committee

*Erica Leak provided the update.*

#### **5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- *Housing Blueprint Scorecard*
- *Quarterly Housing Production Report*
- *Quarterly Project Connect Anti-Displacement Report*
- *IH-35 Expansion*
- *Tenants' Rights*
- *No Way on Prop A*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Motwani adjourned the meeting at 9:21pm without objection.**

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