



URBAN RENEWAL BOARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021, 5:30-9:30 pm
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCING

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Manuel Escobar, Chair
Darrell W. Pierce, Vice Chair
Danielle Skidmore
Amit Motwani

Nathaniel Bradford
Jacqueline Watson
Kobla Tetey

Members in Attendance Manuel Escobar Darrell W. Pierce, Vice Chair Amit Motwani Kobla Tetey Jacqueline Watson Nathaniel Bradford	Staff in Attendance Mandy DeMayo Travis Perlman Nefertitti Jackmon Matthew Kwatinetz Laura Keating Lisa Rodriguez Megan Santee, URB legal counsel
Members Absent Danielle Skidmore	

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.

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Escobar called the meeting to order at 5:37pm with 5 members present.
Commissioner Bradford joined the meeting at 5:42pm.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Speakers who register to speak no later than noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding agenda items and items not posted on the agenda.

Tracy Witte, Patrick Houck, Susan Oringer, Nate Jones, and Zenobia C. Joseph and Thomas VanDyke addressed the URB.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the August 2, 2021, Special Called Meeting Minutes.

On Commissioner Tetey's motion, Commissioner Motwani's second, the August 2, 2021, meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Presentation, discussion, and possible action in response to Planning Commission's recommendations on the proposed modifications to the East 11th and 12th Street Urban Renewal Plan and Neighborhood Conservation Combining Districts.

Discussion was held. On Commissioner Motwani's motion, Commissioner Tetey's second, a motion to approve the draft Response to Planning Commission's action on the Urban Renewal Plan and Neighborhood Conservation Combining Districts was approved unanimously.

- b. Presentation, discussion, and possible action from the Austin Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) and City staff regarding an approach to the property disposition of Urban Renewal Agency owned property (1100 E 11th St and 920 E 11th St).

Matthew Kwatinetz gave the presentation. Following discussion, no action was taken. The URB requested that a draft Memo of Understanding be brought forward at the next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Escobar adjourned the meeting at 7:48pm without objection.

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