



Annual Internal Review Report

This report covers the time period of 7/1/2020 to 6/30/2021

Community Development Commission (CDC)

Mission Statement

The purpose of the board is to advise the Council in the development and implementation of programs designed to serve the poor and community at large with an emphasis on federally funded programs.

Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.

The Community Development Commission continued with the development and implementation of programs designed to serve the poor and community at large, including discussions on:

- Housing affordability programs, tools, and developments
- Homelessness initiatives
- Displacement mitigation strategies
- Neighborhood Center Services
- Transit Oriented Development
- Federal Block Grants
- Land Development Code
- Reimagining Public Safety and Police funding
- Capital Metro's Project Connect (focus on potential displacement)
- COVID response initiatives, such as Housing and Planning Department's RENT program, Austin Public Health's Emergency Rental Program, and Austin Energy's Customer Assistance Program
- The Family Independence Initiative
- Austin Transit Partnership
- Response to winter storm Uri and the Winter Storm Emergency Repair Program
- The 2021-22 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment
- The Urban Renewal Board's Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the development of Blocks 16 and 18
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) building accessibility requirements
- The Community Services Block Grants 2021 Community Needs Assessment
- Rosewood Courts redevelopment

The Community Development Commission continued with the development and implementation of federally funded programs, including:

- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Consolidated Plan and Action Plan programs
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Community Services Block Grant programs

The Community Development Commission provided recommendations on the following items:

- Support of the Climate Equity Plan
- Support of 2019-2020 Action Plan Amendments
- Endorsement of the Economic Prosperity Commission's recommendation regarding the response to winter storm Uri
- Support of consistent evening meeting times for the CDC
- Support of the 2020-21 Draft Action Plan

The Community Development Commission maintained a presence and reported back on the activities of the following groups:

- South Central Waterfront Advisory Board
- Austin Transit Partnership Community Advisory Committee

Working Groups formed by the Community Development Commission:

- Reimagining Public Safety and Policing
- Economic Independence and Funding Sources

Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

All actions of the Community Development Commission throughout the year supported and complied with the mission statement. All recommendations to Council were limited to federally funded programs that fall within the Community Development Commission's mission.

List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

The Community Development Commission will identify additional goals and objectives at an upcoming Community Development Commission retreat. It is anticipated that the Community Development Commission will build upon its current commission goals and objectives, outlined below.

- Cultivate and maintain a strong, positive team chemistry within the board.
- Serve as ambassadors for displacement mitigation activities and support outreach efforts related to these activities.
- Develop a tool kit, including high-level program descriptions, contacts and resources.
- Stay ahead of City Council's agenda; advise Council regarding actions related to the CDC's mission.

Community Development Commission- Housing Committee (CDC-HC)

Mission Statement

The committee shall explore in depth policy issues related to affordable housing, community development, and other issues as assigned to the committee.

Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.

During the time period covered by this report, the CDC Housing Committee was not able to meet due to the COVID pandemic's impact on meeting availability. No sub-committee meetings could be accommodated during this time.

List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

When meetings resume, the Housing Committee shall support the full Community Development Commission in its goals by exploring in depth policy issues related to affordable housing, community development and other issues as assigned to the committee.