

### URBAN RENEWAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING October 18, 2021 AT 6:00PM 1000 East 11th Street, Room 400A

### **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

Manuel Escobar, Chair Darrell W. Pierce, Vice Chair Danielle Skidmore Amit Motwani Nathaniel Bradford Jacqueline Watson Kobla Tetey

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

**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.

# MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER

*Chair Escobar called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm called to order with 5 members present. Vice Chair Pierce joined the meeting at 6:10 pm.* 

# 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.

Harold McMillan addressed the Board.

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

- a. Approval of the August 16, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes.
- b. Approval of the September 20, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes.

On Commissioner Tetey's motion, Commissioner Bradford's second, the August 16, 2021 and September 20, 2021 meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

#### 2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action regarding 2022 Meeting Calendar.

Discussion occurred. On Chair Escobar's motion, Commissioner Skidmore's second, the 2022 Meeting Calendar with edits was approved 5-0 with Commissioner Bradford off the dais.

b. Election of URB Chair and Vice Chair to serve the 2021-2022 term of office, November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021.

Discussion occurred. On Commissioner Bradford's motion, Commissioner Skidmore's second, the re-election of Chair Escobar and Vice Chair Pierce to serve the 2021-2021 term of office was approved unanimously.

c. Presentation from City staff on the status of the Urban Renewal Plan and Neighborhood Conservation Combining District amendments, discussion, and possible action.

Discussion occurred. On Chair Escobar's motion, Vice Chair Pierce's second, revise the Board's recommendation to Planning Commission and Council that the Board no longer advocates for the creation of a Subdistrict 4 and instead those properties along and adjacent to Rosewood remain in Subdistrict 1 and Subdistrict 2 as proposed by staff's recommendation.

d. Update from Scoring Criteria Working Group, discussion, and possible action related to the property disposition of Urban Renewal Agency owned property (1100 E 11<sup>th</sup> St and 920 E 11<sup>th</sup> St).

Discussion occurred. No action was taken.

e. Discussion regarding letter from Austin Revitalization Authority (ARA) to the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) related to URA owned property (1100 E 11<sup>th</sup> St and 920 E 11<sup>th</sup> St) and procedure around unsolicited proposals for property disposition.

Discussion occurred. No action was taken.

# **3. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding Memorandum of Understanding and Interlocal Agreement Addendum with AEDC related to the property disposition of Urban Renewal Agency owned property (1100 E 11<sup>th</sup> St and 920 E 11<sup>th</sup> St).

Anne Gatling Haynes with AEDC presented, and discussion occurred. No action was taken.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

#### ADJOURNMENT

Chair Escobar adjourned the meeting at 9:06 pm without objection.

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