



DESIGN COMMISSION
Monday, February 28, 2022 6:00 PM
Austin City Hall, Boards and Commissions, Room 1101
301 W. 2nd St., Austin, TX 78701

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: **Chair D. Carroll** at 6:16 p.m.

Member List

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| <u>P</u> | David Carroll – Chair (District 1) | <u>P</u> | Melissa Hanao-Robledo (District 5) |
| <u>A</u> | Jessica Rollason – Vice-Chair (District 7) | <u>P</u> | Jen Weaver (District 6) |
| <u>P</u> | Jon Salinas (District 2) | <u>A</u> | Aan Coleman (District 8) |
| <u>P</u> | Samuel Franco (District 3) | <u>A</u> | Bart Whatley (District 9) |
| <u>P</u> | Josue Meiners (District 4) | <u>A</u> | Ben Luckens (District 10) |
| <u>P</u> | Evan Taniguchi (Mayor) | | |

"P" Denote Commission Members who were in present

"A" Denote Commission Members who were absent

CITY OF AUSTIN HOUSING AND PLANNING STAFF

X Jorge E. Rousselin, Executive Liaison

X Art Zamorano, Staff Liaison

X Gunner Garnos, Staff Liaison

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: .

1. **NEW BUSINESS** (Discussion and Possible Action):
 - a. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the **Rainey Street Trailhead project**, located at 36 East Ave., complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin. Applicant(s): [Heidi Anderson](#) [Charlotte Tonsor](#) and [Nick Blok](#) The Trail Foundation.
 - **Heidie Anderson, Charlotte Tonsor and Nick Blok**; The Trail Foundation presented and answered questions.

- **Commissioner J. Meiners** made a motion that the project complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin **Commissioner S. Franco** seconded.
 - **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo** made a friendly amendment request that in the future to build a formal path if public access is observed cutting through the native landscape **Commissioner J. Meiners** and **Commissioner S. Franco** accepted the friendly amendment.
 - **The motion was approved [6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 Recusal, A. Coleman, B. Lukens, J. Rollason, B. Whatley, absent]**
- b. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the project at **307 and 319 E. 2nd St.**, complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the city of Austin. Applicant(s): [Dave Anderson](#), Drenner Group; [Larry Speck](#), Page/; [Trent Rush](#), Hitchcock Design Group; and [Jake George](#), Intracorp.
- Dave Anderson, Drenner Group; Larry Speck, Page/; Trent Rush, Hitchcock Design Group; and Jake George, Intracorp presented and answered questions.
 - **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo** made a motion that the project complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the City of Austin **Commissioner J. Weaver** seconded.
 - **The motion failed [4 ayes, 2 nays, 1 Recusal, A. Coleman, B. Lukens, J. Rollason, B. Whatley absent]**
 - **No recommendation was made on this item.**
- c. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **Block 150**, located at 402 and 416 W. 12th St., complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the city of Austin. Applicant(s): [Michael Whellan](#), , Armbrust & Brown; and [Kelly Somers](#), SCB.
- Michael Whellan, and Michael Gaudini, Armbrust & Brown; Melissa Neslund, Stratus Properties, and Kelly Somers, SCB presented and answered questions.
 - **Commissioner J. Meiners** made a motion that the project complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the city of Austin **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo** seconded.
 - **Commissioner S. Franco** made a friendly amendment that the applicant have a basic programming plan that commits to, preserving the space as a public art gallery, prioritizing underserved artists in the community. **Commissioner J.**

Meiners and Commissioner M. Haneo-Robled accepted the friendly amendment.

- **The motion was approved [7 ayes, 0 nays, A. Coleman, B. Lukens, J. Rollason, B. Whatley, absent]**

2. COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

a. Approval of the January 28th meeting minutes

- **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo** made a motion to approve the January 24th meeting minutes **Commissioner E. Taniguchi seconded.**
- **The motion was approved [7 ayes, 0 nays, A. Coleman, B. Lukens, J. Rollason, B. Whatley, absent]**

b. Update from representation on the Downtown Commission regarding last meeting

- **Commissioner J. Weaver** briefed the commission that Amy Mock would be replacing Kimberly Keaton as the Arts Commissioner, and Downtown Commission meeting focused discussion on the Convention Center expansion plan.

c. Update from representative on the Joint Sustainability committee regarding last meeting

- **Chairman Carroll** was unable to attend and had nothing to report.

d. Update from representative on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board.

- Commissioner S. Franco briefed the Design Commission that a presentation was given in regards to One Texas Center(OTC) and informed that the previous plan for OTC may change and at this time it is uncertain in the direction it will be going.
- A presentation was also given by Mandy DeMayo of the Housing and Planning department regarding affordable housing program.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. Chair Announcements:

- No Announcements.

b. **Items from Commission Members:**

- **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo** requested that staff provide name plates for the Commissioners.

c. **Items from City Staff:**

- **Art Zamorano** announced that beginning with the March 28th meeting, all Design Commission meeting will take place at the Permitting and Development Center, located at 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Drive.

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 9:18 PM.

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