

# DESIGN COMMISSION Monday, March 28, 2022 6:00 PM PERMITTING AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER, ROOM 1406 6310 WILHEMINA DELCO, AUSTIN, TX 78752

# **Meeting Minutes**

# Call to order by: Chair D. Carroll at <u>6:03</u> p.m.

## Member List

- P David Carroll Chair (District 1)
- P Jessica Rollason Vice-Chair (District 7)
- P Jon Salinas (District 2)
- P Samuel Franco (District 3)
- P Josue Meiners (District 4)
- P 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

- P\_Jorge E. Rousselin, Executive Liaison
- P\_Art Zamorano, Staff Liaison
- P Gunnar Garnos, Staff Liaison

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

- 1. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):
  - a. Briefing and discussion related to the equity-based preservation plan in progress, presented by Cara Bertron City of Austin, Housing and Planning Department
    - Cara Bertron City of Austin, Housing and Planning Department presented and answered questions.
    - No action taken.
  - b. Briefing and discussion on the Downtown Density Bonus Program, 25-2-586, and the role of the Design Commission, presented by City Staff: Jorge E. Rousselin

- P Melissa Hanao-Robledo (District 5)
- P Jen Weaver (District 6)
- P Aan Coleman (District 8)
- P Bart Whatley (District 9)
- P Ben Luckens (District 10)

- Jorge Rousselin City of Austin, Housing and Planning Department presented and answered questions.
- No action taken.

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

- a. Approval of the February 28th meeting minutes
  - **Staff Liaison Art Zamorano** issued a correction to the February 28<sup>th</sup> minutes, which lists the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting incorrectly as "January 28"
  - **Commissioner Coleman** made a motion to approve the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes **Commissioner Haneo-Robledo seconded**.
  - The motion was approved [11 ayes, 0 nays]
- b. Changes to Design Commission Working Groups membershi
  - **Chairman Carroll** appointed Commissioner Meiners to the Urban Design working group, bringing to the total to 5 members.
- c. Discussion and Possible Action on recent Council approval to update the Urban Design Guidelines
  - **Chairman Carroll** provided an update that the Urban Design working group has been meeting to craft a draft narrative.
  - No Action taken.
- d. Update from representative on the Downtown Commission regarding last meeting
  - **Commissioner Meiners** indicated that the Downtown Commission meeting had been cancelled due to South by Southwest.
- e. Update from representative on the Joint Sustainability committee regarding last meeting
  - Chairman Carroll indicated that this meeting was pushed to next week.
- f. Update from representative on the South-Central Waterfront Advisory Board
  - **Commissioner Franco** indicated that this meeting was cancelled due to inclimate weather.

#### 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair Announcements:
  - No Announcements.
- b. Items from Commission Members:
  - **Commissioner Rollason** requested clarification on quorum and hybrid meetings, answered by Jorge Rousselin.
- c. Items from City Staff:
  - Jorge Rousselin indicated that Staff Liaison Art Zamorano will be retiring from the City of Austin, to be replaced by Gunnar Garnos.
  - Jorge Rousselin announced that a Principal Planner position was opened that will be working with the Design Commission.

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: <u>7:34</u> PM.