



REGULAR MEETING CODES AND ORDINANCES JOINT COMMITTEE MINUTES **Wednesday, March 16, 2022**

The Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 16, at 1000 E. 11th St, Street Jones Building, Room 400A, Austin, TX 78702.

Chair Barrera-Ramirez called the meeting to order at 6:20 pm.

Subcommittee Members in Attendance:

Awais Azhar

Claire Hempel (Vice-Chair)

Joao Paulo Connolly

Nadia Barrera-Ramirez (Chair)

City Staff in Attendance:

Sam Tedford, Housing and Planning Department

CALL TO ORDER

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the February 16, 2022, meeting minutes.

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Commissioner Azhar, seconded by Commissioner Hempel. Vote: 4-0. (Commissioners Kiolbassa, Denkler, Shaw absent).

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Meeting Location, Time, and Format.** Discuss and consider future COJC meeting location, time, and format; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Commissioners discussed potential different meeting locations; staff suggested keeping the same meeting date and time at the Street Jones Building, as it would be more efficient for staff and no changes would be required.

Commissioners agreed to maintain the current date, time, and location of the COJC, without objection.

3. POTENTIAL CODE AMENDMENTS: Proposed for Discussion and/or Initiation

Potential amendments to the code are offered for discussion and/or possible recommendation for initiation. If initiated, Staff will research the proposal and report back to the subcommittee.

- a. None.

4. **REGULAR AGENDA: Previously Initiated**

Previously initiated amendments to the code are offered for discussion and possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission.

- a. **Vertical Mixed Use.** Consider an ordinance amending Title 25 of the City Code related to vertical mixed use (VMU) buildings. City Staff: Sam Tedford, Housing and Planning and Department, (512) 974-2613, sam.tedford@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

Commissioner Azhar gave an update of the VMU PC working group recommendations, and Sam Tedford from Housing and Planning answered questions about ongoing, in-process VMU amendments.

A motion was made to forward the working group recommendations to the Planning Commission, with the additional recommendation that parking reductions up to 80% should be considered, by Commissioner Azhar, seconded by Commissioner Connolly. Vote: 4-0. (Commissioners Kiolbassa, Denkler, Shaw absent).

5. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- b. **Update on Potential Upcoming and Current Code Amendments** – City Staff: Greg Dutton, Housing and Planning and Department, (512) 974-3509, Greg.Dutton@austintexas.gov; (Discussion and/or Possible Action).

The item was not discussed and no action was taken.

6. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Future agenda items will NOT be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion, and/or possible recommendation to the full Planning Commission at a FUTURE meeting

- a. None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Barrera-Ramirez adjourned the meeting without objection at 6:52 pm.

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