

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2016



THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL **AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** CONVENED IN A REGULAR MEETING ON MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2016 AT 9:08 AM, AUSTIN CITY HALL, 301 W. 2nd STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo called meeting to order at 9:08 AM. In attendance were Council Member Troxclair, Council Member Pool, and Council Member Renteria.

Agenda Item #1: Approve the minutes of the Audit and Finance Committee meeting of April 11, 2016.

The minutes of the April 11, 2016 Audit and Finance Committee meeting were approved, with clarifying language to read “continue to limit” instead of “limiting” for agenda item 9, on Council Member Pool’s motion, Council Member Troxclair’s second, on a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #2: A maximum of five speakers signed up before the meeting is called to order will each be allowed three minutes to address topics not posted for committee action. Speakers may also sign up for specific items that the committee may take action on.

Pinaki Ghosh, Dale Flatt, and Pat Vall-Trelles spoke.

Agenda Item #3: The comprehensive Annual Financial Report by Deloitte & Touche LLP, the City’s external auditor (Financial Services Department). [Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, CO 1: Council Member Ellen Troxclair]

Diana Thomas, City Controller, Richard Scheel, Deputy Controller, Tracey Cooley, and Blake Rodger, City External Auditors, presented the results of the fiscal year 2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Betsy Spencer, Director of Neighborhood Housing, and external auditors answered questions from Committee members. No action taken.

Agenda Item #4: Transportation Effectiveness Audit, which evaluated whether the City effectively manages transportation system planning and balances safety and flow concerns for all users (City Auditor). [Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, CO 1: Council Member Ellen Troxclair]

Patrick Johnson, Assistant City Auditor, presented an audit of the Transportation Effectiveness. Robert Spillar, Director of Austin Transportation, answered questions from Committee members. The audit was accepted on a motion from Council Member Pool, Council Member Renteria’s second, on a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #6: Request from the Zoning and Platting Commission and Planning Commission to create the Joint Comprehensive Plan Committee and Joint Committee on Code and Ordinances, which will consist of members of the Planning Commission and the Zoning and Platting Commission [Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Steve Alder, CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo]

Council Member Pool distributed handouts with proposed ordinance language to be included and mission statements for the two committees. Committee members asked clarifying questions. Council Member Pool, Brent Lloyd, Attorney in the Law Department, and Jerry Rusthoven, Assistant Director in the Planning and Zoning Department, provided additional clarifying information. A motion to recommend that the full Council adopt the changes to the ordinance that were proposed in agenda item 6 passed with Council Member Pool's motion, Council Member Troxclair's second, on a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #5: Staff briefing on Fiscal Year 2016 activities of the City Auditor's Integrity Unit (City Auditor). [Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, CO1: Council Member Ellen Troxclair]

Nathan Wiebe, Chief of Investigations, presented a briefing on the Fiscal Year 2016 activities. No action taken.

Adjourn – Mayor Pro Tem Tovo adjourned the meeting without objections at 10:53 AM.

The minutes were approved on this the 16 day of May 2016 on Council Member Troxclair's motion, Council Member Pool's second on a 3-0 vote Council Member Renteria off dais.