



**DOWNTOWN COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2009**

The Downtown Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 16, 2009, at 301 W. 2nd St. in Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair Linda Guerrero called the Commission Meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

Downtown Commission Members in Attendance:

Bryan Cady, Susan Daniels, Mandy Dealey, Linda Guerrero, Stan Haas, Robert Knight, Dustin Lanier, Dan Leary, Paul Oveisi, Chris Schorre, Joel Sher, Richard Weiss, Bruce Willenzik

City Staff in Attendance:

Michael Knox, EGRSO; Steve Grassfield, Transportation Department

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no citizens wishing to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the November 18, 2009 meeting were approved on Commission Member Weiss' motion, Commission Member Willenzik's second, on a 9-0-4 vote, with members Daniels, Guerrero, Haas and Leary abstaining.

4. METRORAIL AND DOWNTOWN RAIL CONNECTOR SHUTTLES

The presentation was made by Meredith Highsmith, Capital Metro.

5. DOWNTOWN PARKING

The presentation was made by Steve Grassfield, City of Austin Transportation Department.

6. SHOAL CREEK WALK – C14-2009-0151 – REZONING FROM DMU TO DMU-CURE

Before the presentation, Commission Member Haas recused himself due to a conflict of interest and left the dais. Alice Glasco, AG Consulting, presented the request for rezoning from DMU to DMU-CURE. After discussion, a resolution to support the requested rezoning from DMU to DMU-CURE was approved on Commission Member Knight's motion, Commission Member Daniels' second, on a 11-0 vote, with Commission Member Dealey abstaining, Commission Member McGill off the dais, and Commission Member Haas recusing.

7. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS

There were no new items from Commission Members.

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff liaison Michael Knox provided the Commission with an update on the **Downtown Austin Plan** process and schedule.

9. POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- New Central Library / Seaholm Power Plant Redevelopment / Green Water Treatment Plant Redevelopment (January agenda)
- Downtown Pedestrian Initiatives
- Valet Parking
- Update on Downtown Parking Survey (when available)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mandy Dealey adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m. without objection.