



**URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting
Monday, February 8, 2010**

The Urban Renewal Agency's Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on Monday, February 8, 2010, at 1000 E. 11th Street, Ste. 400A in Austin, Texas.

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Chairman Sifuentes.

Board Members in Attendance:

Ben Sifuentes, Chair
Sean Garretson, Vice-Chair
Cristina DeLaFuente-Valadez
Kevin Cole

Board Members Absent:

Sharon Baxter
Michael Clark-Madison

Staff in Attendance:

Margaret Shaw
Betsy Spencer
Gina Copic
Sandra Harkins
Javier Delgado
Kathleen Saenz
Susan Rocha
Lisa Maraden

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes from the regular meeting of 14 December 2009 were approved on Commissioner Garretson's motion; Commissioner DeLaFuente-Valadez's second, on a 4-0-0 vote. This item was taken out of Agenda order after Item 5e.

3. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

None

Chairman Sifuentes recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 6:20 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board of Commissioners of the Austin Urban Renewal Agency will meet in Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071 Consultation with Attorney and pending and contemplate litigation and 551.072 Real Property to discuss the following:

1. Discussion regarding legal issues and real estate development related to the sale and/or lease of the 900 Block of East 11th Street (Block 16).
2. Discussion regarding the legal issues pertaining to the Unified Development Agreement (UDA) held by Austin Revitalization Authority (ARA) for the 1000 Block of East 11th Street (Block 17) and development alternatives.

Executive Session ended and Chairman Sifuentes called the meeting back to order at 9:25 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion and possible action on the development options and process for the properties located at 916 and 920 East 11th Street; and, 907, 911, and 913 Juniper Street (Block 16). Provide directions to staff regarding the same. **No Action Taken.**
2. Discussion and possible action of the fee simple transfer of two parcels of land located at 903 and 905 Juniper Street, from the Urban Renewal Agency to the City of Austin for future use by the City of Austin as a parking facility for the African-American Cultural and Heritage Facility and community parking. **Staff will conduct further research and bring item back to next meeting.**
3. Discussion and possible action regarding the UDA held by ARA for Block 17, possible legal alternatives available to the Agency and with the City, and development options proposed by the City staff; directions to staff. **No Action Taken**

Executive Session was taken out of Agenda order after Item 5a and before Item 7.

OPEN MEETING ITEMS:

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Certificate of Appreciation for Daffney Henry. **Postponed until Next Meeting.**
- b. Discussion and possible update on the prioritization of housing funds. **Update given by Margaret Shaw Director Neighborhood Housing and Community Development. This item was taken out of Agenda order after Item 3.**
- c. Discussion and possible action on the City's business planning process. **Update given by Margaret Shaw.**

5. STANDING ITEMS

- a. Receive, discuss and possible action on updates from Austin Revitalization Authority (ARA) on the East 11th & 12th Streets Redevelopment Project(s); discussion and directions to staff. **Update given by Greg Smith ARA President. This item was taken out of Agenda order before Item 6.**
- b. Receive, discuss and possible action on updates from City staff on the status of East 11th & 12th Streets Redevelopment Project(s), and/or any upcoming Council action regarding the ARA; the Agency or the Urban Renewal Plan. **Update given by Margaret Shaw. This item was taken out of Agenda order before Item 5e and after Item 1.**
- c. Report, discussion and possible action on direction of ongoing meetings of officers from ARA, URB, and the City of Austin regarding implementing redevelopment plans for East 11th and 12th Streets, and possible attendees to the upcoming meetings. **All representatives not present. No action.**
- d. Receive, discuss and possible action on the update from the 11th Street Neighborhood Partners, Ltd. on the Block 19 development – East Village Project; discussion and direction to staff. **No Representative present.**
- e. Receive, discuss and possible action on updates concerning other City of Austin Board & Commission meetings that might have an impact on East 11th and 12th Streets

redevelopment activities. **Update given by Margaret Shaw. This Item was taken out of Agenda order before Item 4a and after Item 1.**

6. NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Next meeting will be on Monday, March 22, 2010 beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- b) Update on the East Room

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sifuentes adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m. with no objections.

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Minutes were approved by the Board of Commissioners on

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Edward Blake, Assistant Secretary