



**DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2011, 5:45PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101
301 W. SECOND STREET AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

Current Commission Members

P ___ Bart Whatley (BW) – Chair
 P ___ Jeannie Wiginton (JW) – Vice Chair
 P ___ James Shieh (JS) – Secretary

P ___ Juan E. Cotera (JC)
 P ___ David Knoll (DK)
 P ___ Dean Almy (DA)

P ___ George Adams (COA - PDRD)
Executive Liaison

Meeting Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR J. Shieh at 5:48 PM
Dean Almay (DA) not present**

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Discussion and action on the October 24, 2011 Design Commission regular meeting minutes.

The motion to approve the minutes as drafted made by: J. Wiginton; Second by J. Cotera was approved on a vote of [5-0] D. Almay not present]

[Commissioner D. Almay arrived at 5:58 pm]

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and possible action on the Design Development submittal package of the New Employee Parking Lot Project, located at the Austin Bergstrom International Airport between Presidential Blvd and Hotel Dr., seeking input on the proposed development. (Broutin ML Sherrill, RS&H)
Broutin Sherrill RS&H presentation

The motion to approve as presented with recommendation for future aviation and city look at multi-story structured parking made by J. Cotera; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [6-0].

- B.** Discussion and possible action on the Design Development submittal package of the Govalle Tunnel Centralized Odor Control Facility Phase I located at 800-814 Patton Avenue requesting Alternative Equivalent Compliance (AEC) from the provisions of Subchapter E for sidewalk construction in the form of a fee-in-lieu. (Eric Dawson, Parsons Water & Infrastructure).

Jonathan Thompson, COA Project Manager presenter.

The motion to recommend approval of AEC as requested made by B. Whatley; Second by D. Almy was approved on a vote of [6-0].

- C.** Discussion and possible action on the schematic submittal package of the JW Marriott Convention Center Hotel located at 106 E. 2nd Street requesting Alternative Equivalent Compliance (AEC) to deviate from the 2nd street Great Streets Typology (Pedestrian Dominant Street) provisions and seeking approval of the Schematic Design (Austin 18 Hotel, LLC., Richard Suttle, Armbrust & Brown, PLLC).

Richard Suttle, Armbrust & Brown, Eddie Abeyta, Hks arch, Dustin Louderback, White Lodging

The motion to send project to next working group (Whatley, Wiginton, Cotera) and to address the following 4 issues:

- 1) 2nd St dropoff;**
- 2) How building addresses on Congress Avenue;**
- 3) Continue working with AE on vault location;**
- 4) 2-way traffic on Brazos and formulate letter indicating what Design Commission would like to see;**

Request applicant come back and present at a later date made by J. Cotera; Second by J. Wiginton was approved on a vote of [6-0].

4. OLD BUSINESS

- A.** Discussion and possible action on the Monograph ideas for the next year. (Chair Shieh)

Commissioner Cotera made several suggestions:

- **Define what the Design Commission means by "monograph"**
- **Include Lamar Blvd vision - Lady Bird Lake to Ben White Blvd**
- **Redo parking monograph**
- **Address Healthy Communities**
- **Take another look at Open Space**
- **Obstacles to achieving I. A. and other city priorities**

J. Cotera to distribute and present at next meeting, December 19, 2011. No action taken by the Commission.

B. Discussion and possible action on urban issues to be reviewed by the Design Commission and the application of the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin. (Chair Shieh)

Jorge to assemble list of areas/plans.

C. Discussion and possible action on the 2012 Design Commission Meeting Schedule. The motion to accept schedule as presented made by J. Coters; Second by D. Almay was approved on a vote of [6-0].

5. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS

a. Standing Committees Reports– Comp Plan Imagine Austin meeting at 8:30 pm at Cafe medicil.

b. Liaison Reports–

- Commissioner Shieh and B. Whatley went to last Imagine Austin Meeting. Planning Commission Chair looking forward to Design Commission response to plan.
- Commissioner Whatley attended last meeting of Downtown plan - Commission topic was heritage trees.

c. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair- **None**

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. Project updates – Staff Liaison Jorge Rousselin provided a briefing to the Commission on the Airport Boulevard Redevelopment Initiative

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a. Last meeting requested presentation from EGRSO on green Seaholm and surrounding areas.

b. Future plans for Seaholm/Cesar Chavez Redevelopment/Green

c. Future plans for Downtown Plan Substation (AE)

d. Future monographs (Executive Committee)

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Chair Announcements – **None**

b. Items for Commission Members- **Commissioner D. Almay making presentation at council chamber on Friday, December 9, 2011 @ 1:00 pm on West end (W. 6th & 5th West of Lamar). Do they have to post meeting notice?**

c. Items from City Staff- **None**

ADJOURNMENT 8:37 PM by consensus.