COUNCIL COMMITTEE FOR
EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
MEETING MINUTES
November 30, 2011

Call meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Council Member Morrison.

1. **General Citizen Communications (3 minutes to speak)**

   There were no speakers.

2. **Approval of minutes from the October 12, 2011 regular committee meeting**

   A motion to adopt the minutes as to form from the October 12, 2011 Council Committee for Emerging Technology & Telecommunications regular meeting was made by Council Member Riley; seconded by Council Member Morrison. Vote 2-0 with Council Member Spelman off the dais.

3. **Update: Austin Technology Incubator (ATI) (Isaac Barchas, Director, Austin Technology Incubator)**

   Mr. Barchas talked about some of the successes of the ATI program such as Calxeda which joined ATI in 2007 with one employee and now employs 50, and GameSalad which joined ATI in 2008 with two employees and now employs 30. Mr. Barchas also stated that one of the challenges they face is the lack of "wet lab" space. Right now they have some availability to use the "wet lab" in the College of Pharmacy, which is currently being used by three different companies. Mr. Barchas would like to return in January with additional data.

4. **Update and Presentation: Demonstration, discussion and possible action on the Austin Go Web project (Stephen Elkins, Chief Information Officer, Communications and Technology Management)**

   Communications and Technology Management staff members presented a timeline for "Beta Launch" of the new website, which will be available to the public on December 19th. Staff is currently working on the RFP for online credit card payments which should be released about the end of January or beginning of February.

5. **Discussion: Discussion and possible action on open government initiatives and potential scope enhancements of Austin Community Technology & Telecommunications Commission. (Representatives from Austin Community Technology & Telecommunications Commission and OpenAustin)**

   Members of the commission presented a draft document to change the enabling ordinance. These changes would more closely align the ordinance to the actual tasks of the commission. Also presented was a draft document on Open Data Principles and a draft resolution to be considered by the commission at its evening meeting.

6. **Consider agenda items for next meeting and meeting calendar for 2012**

    The calendar was approved.

Adjourn

    The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.