

Zoning & Platting Commission Work Session March 31, 2012 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM One Texas Center Room 325 505 Barton Springs Road Austin, TX. 78704

MINUTES

Betty Baker – Chair Sandra Baldridge – Parliamentarian Cynthia Banks – Assist. Secretary Gregory Bourgeois - Secretary Jason Meeker Gabriel Rojas Patricia Seeger – Vice-Chair *- Absent*

CALL TO ORDER

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Introductions

Introductions of Commissioners and staff were made; staff present were Greg Guernsey, Jerry Rusthoven, Sabine Romero and Dora Anguiano

2. Purpose, Scope, Roles and Responsibilities of Zoning & Platting Commission and City Processes

Greg Guernsey presented the purpose, scope, roles and responsibilities of the Zoning & Platting Commission and City Processes; no discussion took place on this topic by the Commission.

3. Open Meetings and Legal Issues

Sabine Romero, City Attorney, discussed open meetings and legal issues; Ie: Open Records Requests whether through emails or hard copies, social gatherings with other commissioners, what constitutes a quorum, accepting gifts. Sabine discussed that the City is working on issuing all Commissioners a personal City email address for City business only.

4. Approve 2011 Annual Report and Work Plan for 2012

Jerry Rusthoven presented the Zoning & Platting Commissions' 2011 Annual Report and discussed the 2012 Work Plan. Motion was made by Commissioner Sandra Baldridge to approve the Annual Report and Work Plan, Commissioner Gregory Bourgeois seconded the motion on a vote of 6-0; Commissioner Patricia Seeger was absent. 5. Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan – Approve final recommendations and comments to Planning Commission.

ZAP Commissioners requested that staff gather all Commissioner's comments/inputs and compile as individual comments, not compile all together; Commissioners comments due to Dora by April 4, 2012; comments will be forwarded to Planning Commission by April 6, 2012.

6. Miscellaneous Topics, Directives to staff

Only directive was the IACP comments (Item #5).

B. ADJOURNMENT

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