



URBAN RENEWAL BOARD
DRAFT MINUTES

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2012

The Urban Renewal Board convened in a Special called meeting on Monday, August 20, 2012 at the Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11th Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Bucknall called the Board Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Andrew Bucknall, Chair
Michael Clark-Madison, Vice Chair
Joe Babb
Cristina De La Fuente-Valadez
Darwin McKee
Gary Smith

Staff in Attendance:

Regina Copic
Sandra Harkins
Kathleen Saenz
Charles Zech, URB Attorney

PURPOSE: The Board of Commissioners primary responsibility is to oversee the implementation and compliance of approved Urban Renewal Plans that are adopted by the Austin City Council. An Urban Renewal Plan's primary purpose is to eliminate slum and blighting influence within a designated area of the city.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approval of the June 18, 2012 Meeting Minutes and the June 22, 2012 Special Called Meeting Minutes.
The motion to approve the June 18, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Commissioner Del La Fuente-Valadez, seconded by Vice Chair Clark-Madison and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.
The motion to approve the June 22, 2012 Special Called Meeting Minutes was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Babb and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.
2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL** (The first 5 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns. This is the opportunity for visitors and guests to address the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin (Agency) on any issue. The Agency may not debate any non-agenda issue, nor may any action be taken on any non-agenda issue at this time however the Agency may present any

factual response to items brought up by citizens. (Attorney General Opinion – JC-0169) (Limit of three minutes each).

- **Harold McMillan, DiverseArts, Agreement renewal, Item #7.**
- **Lavalle Twibell, the Purple Bean, General information.**

OLD BUSINESS

3. Update on the process of disposition of URA owned properties located in the 1100 Block and the 1300 Block of East 12th Street.

Gina Copic gave the update.

4. Review, discussion and possible action on the method of disposition of URA owned properties located in the 1100 Block and the 1300 Block of East 12th Street.

The motion withdraw the IFB previously authorized for Track 3 located at the 1100 Block of East 12th Street was made by Vice Chair Clark-Madison, seconded by Commissioner Babb and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

The motion to ask staff to delay further processing of Track 5 located at the 1300 Block of East 12th Street in order to consider both Track 3 and Track 5 during the September 2012 URB meeting was made by Vice Chair Clark-Madison, seconded by Commissioner McKee and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discussion and possible action authorizing signature authority to Alex Zamora, NHCD Chief Financial Manager and Elizabeth A. Spencer, NHCD Director on behalf of the Agency concerning the Agency checking account.

The motion to authorize signature authority to Alex Zamora, NHCD Chief Financial Manager and Elizabeth A. Spencer, NHCD Director on behalf of the Agency concerning the Agency checking account was made by Commissioner McKee, seconded by Commissioner Babb and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

6. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of the 12-month automatic renewal of the Agreement Concerning Implementation of the East 11th and 12th Streets Urban Renewal Plan with the City of Austin.

The motion to accept the 12-month automatic renewal of the Agreement Concerning Implementation of the East 11th and 12th Streets Urban Renewal Plan with the City of Austin was made by Vice Chair Clark-Madison, seconded by Commissioner De La Fuente-Valadez and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

7. Discussion and possible action authorizing the negotiation and execution of a 12-month License Agreement with DiverseArts Culture Works for the properties located at 1106, 1112 and 1114 East 11th Street and 1109 Juniper Street.

The motion to authorize the negotiation and execution of a 12-month License Agreement with DiverseArts Culture Works for the properties located at 1106, 1112 and 1114 East 11th Street and 1109 Juniper Street was made by Commissioner McKee, seconded by Commissioner Babb and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

8. Discussion and possible action authorizing the negotiation and execution of a 12-month License Agreement with Another Option Production for the property located at 1100 East 11th Street.

The motion to authorize the negotiation and execution of a 12-month License Agreement with Another Option Production for the property located at 1100 East 11th Street was made by Vice Chair Clark-Madison, seconded by Commissioner De La Fuente-Valadez and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

9. Discussion and possible action on the development of the Urban Renewal Agency's Work Plan, as it relates to the Development Strategy.

The motion to authorize the Chair, Vice Chair, and Commissioner McKee to develop a draft work plan and present it to the URB during the September 2012 meeting was made by Vice Chair Clark-Madison, seconded by Commissioner Babb and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.

UPDATES

10. Update on the East 11th and 12th Street Development Strategy.
Gina Copic gave the update.

11. Next Meetings/Future Agenda Items - Next meeting is Monday, October 15, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT – The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m. without objection.