



**PLANNING COMMISSION
NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 20, 2013**

The Neighborhood Planning Subcommittee convened in a regular meeting on March 20, 2013 at 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Jean Stevens called the Board Meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Board Members in Attendance:

Jean Stevens - Chair
Danette Chimenti
James Nortey
Jeff Jack – ex-officio member

A. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Steven Aleman – resolution to the City Council supporting a public interest representative for the Land Development Code re-write

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 16, 2013 minutes – The minutes of the January 16, 2013 regular meeting were approved with a motion by Commissioner Chimenti, seconded by Chair Stevens on a vote of 2-0. Commissioner Nortey was not present for the vote.

C. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Proposed amendment to Article 16, Neighborhood Plan Amendments to reorganize, clarify and improve the neighborhood amendment procedures. The proposed amendment is described in more detail in the attached document which was provided to Planning Commission in advance of the January 22 meeting. The proposed amendment has been assigned case number C20-2013-002.**

Stevie Greathouse, Principal Planner, was present and reviewed a draft amendment with commission members. A motion for approval to move forward to the Planning Commission was made by Commissioner Chimenti, seconded by Commissioner Nortey, on a vote of 3-0, with the following conditions:

1. Add the word “or” at the end of paragraphs A-D in section 25-1-813
 2. Consult with legal regarding the definition of ‘hardship’
 3. Clarify under 25-1-804 E that the four types of applications referenced are the only types of applications that will be accepted for an area-wide or subdistrict-wide application
- b. Land Development Code Article 16 Section 25-1-805, Neighborhood Plan Contact Team requirements – Margaret Valenti, Senior Planner, (512) 974-2648, will give an update on the process to receive required contact team documents. This is a continuation from the May 16 and Sept. 19 meetings. (Discussion and/or Possible Action)**

Margaret Valenti, Senior Planner, briefed members on the current process of receiving required contact team documents from contact teams west of I-35. Commission members requested a copy of the information presented.

D. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to present.

E. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Historic District Regulations—Alyson McGee, Deputy Historic Preservation Officer, (512) 974-7801, briefing on regulations relating to the National Register Historic Districts, specifically in relation to the Rainey Street Historic District.**

This item will be discussed at the regular meeting in April.

F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. (April) Affordability at Mueller—Kelly Weiss, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, will discuss the issue, including how affordable prices are advertised and what happens to affordable homes when they are resold.**
- b. (April) Rosewood Choice Neighborhood process and Neighborhood Plans/Contact Teams—Eileen Schrandt and Sylvia Blanco, Housing Authority of the City of Austin, will present on how the process for Rosewood Choice will work with relevant Neighborhood Plans and NPCTs**

- c. **(April)** Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) and Austin Affordable Housing Corporation (AAHC) presentation on redevelopment plans near the Rio Lado apartments.
- d. **(May)** Urban Rail Overview, Geography, and Neighborhood Impact
- e. Urban Renewal Board, East 11th and 12th Street Corridors – Sandra Harkins, Project Coordinator, (512) 974-3128, will discuss differences and similarities between the East 11th and 12th Street Corridor NCCDs and Urban Renewal Plan.
- f. **(April)** Regulations relating to the National Register Historic Districts, specifically in relation to the Rainey Street Historic District - Alyson McGee, Deputy Historic Preservation Officer

Chair Stevens adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM without objection.