



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2013**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, August 6, 2013, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Mayor introduced the agenda for the August 8, 2013 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

- 21. Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 14-11 related to permanent encroachments in the public right-of-way.
Direction was given to staff to provide information on how many permanent encroachments currently exist and the ability to incorporate Planning Commission review into the process.

- 42. Authorize award, negotiation and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with LOCKHEED MARTIN DESKTOP SOLUTIONS, INC., or with another qualified respondent to RFP No. BKH0156, for a hosted software solution to provide an enterprise-wide Public Information Request System in an amount not to exceed \$305,924. (Notes: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.)

- 60. Approve a resolution initiating a code amendment to exempt ADA-compliant ramps from setback requirements, and directing the City Manager to review and make recommendations for reducing or eliminating fees and establishing an expedited review process for accessibility ramps. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Kathie Tovo CO 1: Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 2: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole)

BRIEFINGS

- D.1 Briefing on the Affordable Housing Bond Election.
Presentation was made by Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

- D.2 Briefing on the Terminal East Infill Project.
Presentation was made by Jim Smith, Director Aviation Department, Shane Harbinson, Assistant Director, Aviation Department, Larry Speck, Project Architect, Hensel-Phelps Construction Company.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST CONTINUED

58. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to initiate a comprehensive small-area planning process for the South Shore Central Sub-district of the Waterfront Overlay and the three adjacent parcels of the Travis Heights Sub-district. Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Chris Riley CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole)

Direction was given to staff to provide a fiscal analysis by August 8, 2013.

63. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to review and evaluate the viability of implementing an expedited permit review program for the City of Austin, to be modeled after those used by peer cities, that would shorten review times, streamline interdepartmental review, and increase efficiency. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 1: Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 2: Council Member Chris Riley)

Direction was given to staff to include in the analysis any impact the expedited program would have on the review process in general, to provide a description of the types of permits that would benefit from an expedited process, research other cities that have identified dedicated funding sources for an expedited review process and integrate an expedited program into the business process improvement scope of work being prepared by the department.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 22nd day of August 2013 on Council Member Spelman’s motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole’s second on a 7-0 vote.