

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting November 4, 2013, 5:00pm

City Hall, Room 1033 301 Willie Nelson Boulevard, Austin, TX 78701

Committee Members in Attendance:

Richard Hatfield Alfonso Hernandez Jeff Jack, Ex Officio

MINUTES

Members of the public in attendance:

None

Members of staff in attendance:

Natalie Betts (Economic Development Department)
Paul DiGiuseppe (Planning & Development Review Department)
Janet Seibert (Economic Development Department

Commissioner Hatfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

2. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 7, 2013 MINUTES

Commissioner Hatfield moved to approve the minutes; Commissioner Hernandez seconded. The vote was unanimous.

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a) Natalie Betts presented the update of the Workforce Development Priority Program Team. Commissioner Jack commented that the City should consider the perspective of people from other large cities in Texas. He also stated that this priority program needs to focus on cost-burdened households. Commissioner Hatfield recommended that the team talk with the Higher Education Coordination Board. Ms. Betts stated that both economy priority program teams are having a CodeNEXT listening session on November 21, 2013. Commissioner Jack asked for BizOpen data for the Advisory Group and asked to separate administrative process issues from code issues. Commissioner Jack commented that we should calculate the status and needs of Austinites then recruit companies that match community needs. Commissioner Hatfield stated we should focus on training and match with business needs. Commissioner Hernandez stated we should target people without skills or education and help build education and resumes. There were several questions which Ms. Betts will provide written responses.

b) Janet Seibert presented the update of the Creative Economy Priority Program Team. Commissioner Jack asked about the benchmarks for success. Commissioner Hatfield indicated we could look at the indicators in the annual report and consider other indicators. Commissioner Jack asked how this priority program could stop gentrification.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a) Update on land development code. No discussion.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a) Commissioner Jack asked for Watershed Protection staff to present again about impervious cover in light of the recent floods in Onion Creek.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a) Priority Program Team presentation

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm