



**DOWNTOWN COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2015**

The Downtown Commission convened in a meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 301 W. 2nd St. in Austin, Texas.

Downtown Commissioners in Attendance:

Vice Chair Bart Whatley, Martin Barrera, Jude Galligan, Dale Glover, Dan Leary, Sunshine Mathon, Maureen Metteauer, Jim Nix, Joel Sher, Lindsey Sokol, Owen Snell and Bruce Willenzik

City Staff in Attendance:

Michael Knox, Mona Sanchez, Don Pitts, Economic Development Department
Greg Guernsey, Planning Development and Review Department

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chair Bart Whatley called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no citizens signed up to speak on general communication.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 15, 2014 AND NOVEMBER 19, 2014 MEETINGS

The minutes from the October 15, 2014 and November 19, 2014 meetings were approved on a vote of 10-0 on Commissioner Galligan's motion and Commissioner Sher's second, with Commissioners Nix and Barrera off the dais.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR)

Commissioner Joel Sher was elected Chair, on Commissioner Galligan's nomination and Commissioner Nix second, on a vote of 11-0, with Commissioner Barrera off the dais.

Commissioner Bart Whatley was elected Vice Chair, on Commissioner Mathon's nomination and Commissioner Willenzik's second, on a vote of 11-0, with Commissioner Barrera off the dais.

5. BUSKING ORDINANCE

The Downtown Commission approved a motion to approve the amendments to City Code Chapters 9-2 (Noise and Amplified Sound) and 9-4 (Prohibited Activities), conditioned upon the oversight of a permitting office to be determined by the Council.

The recommendation was approved on Commissioner Galligan's motion, Commissioner Sher's second, on a vote of 9-2, with Commissioners Sokol and Mathon opposed and Commissioner Glover abstaining.

6. CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING AFTER HOURS CONCRETE INSTALLATION

The Commission approved a motion to postpone action, on Commissioner Glover's motion and Commissioner Metteauer's second, on a vote of 12-0.

7. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM COMMISSIONERS

There were no items from Commission members.

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Michael Knox reported Council passing Resolution 20141211-124 (Alleyway Naming Convention) and Resolution 20141211-116 (Carousel Operation).

9. POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Medical School Design
- Sobriety Center
- Update on CodeNext
- Convention Center Expansion

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.