



DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2014 6:00 PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROOM 1001
301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

Current Commission Members

<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ Dean Almy (DA) – Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ Juan E. Cotera (JC)
<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ James Shieh (JS) – Vice Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> A ___ Jeannie Wiginton (JW)
<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ Evan Taniguchi (ET) – Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ Bart Whatley (BW)
	<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ Hope Hasbrouck (HH)
	<input type="checkbox"/> P ___ Jorge E. Rousselin (COA – PDRD) Staff Liaison

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: Chair D. Almy @ 6:03 pm
Roll Call: [J. Wiginton] not present.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Discussion and possible action on the March 24, 2014 Design Commission meeting minutes.

The motion to approve minutes as drafted made by E. Taniguchi; second by J. Shieh was approved on a vote of [6-0]. [J. Wiginton not present]

3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Briefing on the Complete Streets Policy (Gordon Derr, COA-ATD).

Presentation by Mr. Derr on Complete Streets Policy.

- Questions on role of Great Streets.
- Questions on physical infrastructure – poles/electrical
- Need for/requirement for new streets
- Metrics for success of complete streets.

The motion to support efforts and come back with implementation steps later made by E. Taniguchi; Second by H. Hasbrouck was approved on a vote of [6-0]. [J. Wiginton not present].

- b. Discussion and possible action to provide a recommendation of the City Council on the draft Butler Trail at the Southeast Shore Park Master Plan. (Chris Yanez, COA-PARD).

Mr. Chris Yanez gave a presentation with Jana McCann of McCann/Adams Studio on the Southeast Shore Master Plan, emphasizing character zones of the Southeast Shore.

- Mr. Christopher Stanton with Chi Sacco Cycling Foundation spoke in favor of the project and presented an alternative bridge design
- Treatment of H2O edges – How they are treated?

The motion to endorse master plan elements as presented and send to work group for specific recommendations made by H. Hasbrouck; Second by J. Shieh was approved on a vote of [6-0]. [J. Wiginton not present].

- c. Discussion and possible action on recommendations to Staff on an Administrative Rule for Publicly Accessible Plazas as a public benefit under the Downtown Density Bonus Program.

Review for consistency with Urban Design Guidelines – Send to Landscape and Infrastructure; Work group and Taniguchi will chair.

No action by commission.

- d. Discussion and possible action on recommendations to the City Council regarding Design Commission's role in the Boards and Commissions transition to the 10-1 form of government.

Send to Planning and urban Design work group to craft a letter.

No action by commission.

4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Discussion and possible action on Design Guidelines for infrastructure projects as directed by City Council Resolution No: 20120816-060 including discussion on Design Commission's areas of critical concern and engagement with City Staff.

All questions and answers due by May 15th.

No action by commission.

5. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Standing Committees Reports: **None**

- b. Working Group Reports: **None**

c. Liaison Reports:

- Downtown Commission DDBP Plaza at 7th and Congress.

d. Liaison Reports: **None**

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS: None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Great Streets Presentation

- Great Streets Update
- Urban Rail Briefing
- TCM Updates

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Chair Announcements: **None**

b. Items from Commission Members: **None**

c. Items from City Staff: **Back up**

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 8:35 PM