



**DESIGN COMMISSION  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2014 6:00 PM  
AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101  
301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

**Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Call to order by: Chair Almy 6:08 PM

**1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** None

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion and Possible Action)**

- a. Discussion and possible action on the August 25, 2014 Design Commission meeting minutes. ([Jorge Rousselin](#), COA-PDRD).

**The motion to approve the minutes as drafted made by E. Taniguchi; Second by H. Hasbrouck was approved on a vote of [7-0].**

**3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):**

- a. Discussion and possible action on the Code Approach Alternatives & Annotated Outlines for CodeNEXT. ([George Zapalac](#), COA-PDRD).

Commissioner Taniguchi expressed a conflict of interest with this item and recused himself from discussion and vote by vacating the Dias.

Mr. George Zapalac presented the Code Approach Alternatives & Annotated Outlines for CodeNEXT detailing the various options and alternatives and development standards to be presented to Council.

Ms. Joan Hyde Spoke on the ASLA position paper as it relates to CodeNEXT to address: nature in the City, compact and connected, support for green code and specifically spelled out in the approach.

Ms. Eleanor McKinney spoke on Chapter 4 and support for green code.

**The motion to endorse staff's recommendation on Code Approach Alternatives & Annotated Outlines for CodeNEXT as presented by Staff made by J. Cotera; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [5-1]; H. Hasbrouck voted in opposition; E. Taniguchi off Dias.**

Commissioner Taniguchi rejoined the Commission at the Dias after the vote.

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation to the City Council on the draft Pease Park Master Plan. ([Kim McKnight](#), COA- PARD).

Commissioner Hasbrouck presented a recommendation from the Landscape and Infrastructure WG on the draft Pease Park Master Plan providing an outline.

Mr. Richard Craig spoke in support of the recommendation.

**The motion to Support recommendation as drafted by the L&I WG and presented to the Commission. correspondence as presented by the working group made by H. Hasbrouck; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [7-0].**

- b. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation for the proposed Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas at Austin (SMCUT)-Aerial Walkway located at 1500 Red River Street. ([Lynn Ann Carley](#), Armbrust & Brown, PLLC).

Commissioner Shieh expressed a conflict of interest with this item and recused himself from discussion and vote by vacating the Dias.

Chair Almy presented a recommendation and read into the record a draft letter by the Architecture & Development Working Group addressing the proposed Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas at Austin (SMCUT)-Aerial Walkway.

Mr. Peter Rieck spoke on this item to express gratitude for the time spent in reviewing the project.

**The motion to accept recommendations and draft letter as presented and corrected on the Dias by the Architecture & Development Working Group made by B. Whatley; Second by J. Wiginton was approved on a vote of [ 6-0]; J. Shieh off Dias.**

Commissioner Shieh rejoined the Commission at the Dias after the vote.

- c. Discussion and possible action on Design Guidelines for infrastructure projects as directed by [City Council Resolution No. 20120816-060](#).

Commissioner Hasbrouck reiterated the need to submit Staff responses and requested the Executive Committee to meet and produce a schedule for completion by the end of the year.

**No action by the Commission.**

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

- a. Standing Committees Reports: **None**
- b. Working Group Reports: **None**
- c. Liaison Reports:
  - **Commissioner Whatley gave an update on the MAAC recommendations by the Downtown Commission in support of the recommendation.**
  - **Reviewed a draft of the special events ordinance moving towards Council and concerns with the draft ordinance.**
- d. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair: **None**

## 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS: **None**

## 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Discussion of coordinated efforts between ASLA & AIA, PE, with CodeNEXT.

## 8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Chair Announcements: **None**
- b. Items from Commission Members: **None**
- c. Items from City Staff: **South Central Waterfront information**

**ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 7:35 PM.**