



DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, October 27, 2014 6:00 PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101
301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: Chair Almy at 6:04 PM.

Roll Call: J. Wiginton not arrived yet.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Discussion and possible action on the September 22, 2014 Design Commission meeting minutes. ([Jorge Rousselin](#), COA-PDRD).

The motion to approve the minutes as drafted made by E. Taniguchi; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [6-0] [JW not arrived yet].

[J. Wiginton arrived at 6:11 PM]

3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action on the 5th & Brazos Hotel design development submittal located at 501 Brazos St. seeking support for the project and review for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin in accordance with the Gatekeeper requirements of [LDC 25-2-586](#) for the Downtown Density Bonus Program. ([Ute Tegtmeyer](#), bKL Architecture LLC.).

Ms. Ute Tegtmeyer of bKL Architecture LLC. presented the 5th & Brazos design development submittal seeking a finding of substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines.

Commissioner Whatley presented the recommendations of the Planning and Urban Design WG to the Commission and read the letter into the record.

The motion to accept the Planning and Urban Design Working Group letter as amended on the Dias by removing items 1, 7, and 8 with a finding of substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines made by J. Wiginton; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [7-0].

- b. Discussion and possible action on the Austin Shelter for Women & Children Renovation & Expansion design development submittal located at 4523 Tannehill Lane seeking support for the project. ([Robin Camp](#), COA-Public Works).

Ms. Robin Camp from COA-PW introduced Mr. Al York who presented the Austin Shelter for Women & Children Renovation & Expansion design development submittal.

The motion to support the project as presented made by J. Cotera ; Second by J. Wiginton was approved on a vote of [7-0].

- c. Election of Design Commission Officers for the next year.

The motion to re-elect the current slate of officers:

- **Dean Almy – Chair**
- **Evan Taniguchi– Vice Chair**
- **Hope Hasbrouck – Secretary**

made by J. Cotera; Second by J. Wiginton was approved on a vote of [7-0].

4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. Discussion and possible action on recommendations related to the American Society of Landscape Architects, Austin Section, regarding their CodeNEXT issue paper seeking support for their position. (Commissioner Hasbrouck).

Commissioner Hasbrouck presented the recommendations of the Landscape Architecture and Infrastructure Working Group including a change in language as stated on the Dias.

The motion to endorse the letter as amended on the Dias and forward to Council made by D. Almy; Second by B. Whatley was approved on a vote of [7-0].

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 presented a report on the election of officers for the Downtown Commission – new Chair and vice chair.
- 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: **Ex. Com meeting soon**
- b. Items from Commission Members: **Meet with Council person on DC recommendations for Commission reassignment.**
- c. Items from City Staff: **None**

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 7:04 PM