



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (CDC)

June 14, 2016

Town Lake Center, Room 130  
721 Barton Springs Road  
Austin, Texas 78704

### DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

The Community Development Commission (CDC) convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at Town Lake Center, 721 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX 78704, Room 130.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm, with 11 members present.

<b><u>Board Members in Attendance:</u></b>	<b><u>Members Absent:</u></b>	<b><u>City of Austin (COA) Staff in Attendance:</u></b>
Lottie Dailey Joe Deshotel, Vice Chair Fisayo Fadelu Lisa Hinely Fred McGhee Edward McHorse Karen Paup Gilbert Rivera, Chair Rosanne Singer Bettye Taylor Freddy Zamora	Rocio Villalobos	Maria Allen Nate Blum Letitia Brown Regina Copic Sandra Harkins Erica Leak Jim Padilla David Potter Matthew Ramirez Lisa Rodriguez Deepa Vasan Alex Zamora

#### 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

*Stuart Harry Hersh spoke regarding Austin's Strategic Housing Plan.*

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*The motion to approve the May 10, 2016, meeting minutes was made by Commissioner McGhee, seconded by Commissioner Deshotel, and approved by a vote of 11-0.*

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

Presentation, discussion and possible action on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget for the Office of Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD), (Alex Zamora and Nate Blum, NHCD).

*Alex Zamora, Nate Blum and Deepa Vasan, NHCD, presented; David Potter and Letitia Brown, NHCD, also responded to questions posed by the board. No action was taken.*

### 4. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Briefing on the Draft FY 2016-17 Action Plan and Timeline (Jim Padilla, NHCD).

*Jim Padilla, NHCD, presented.*

- b. Conduct a public hearing on the Draft Fiscal Year 2016-17 Action Plan. Public hearings are required by 1) the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and 2) the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373 Community Development 2016-17 Program.

*Speakers on this item:*

- *Stuart Harry Hersh*
- *Lisa Martinez, Austin Area Urban League*
- *Charles Cloutman, representing Meals on Wheels*
- *Simone Talma Flowers, Interfaith Action of Central Texas*

### 5. UPDATE FROM THE CDC HOUSING COMMITTEE

Briefing from the CDC Housing Committee, discussion, and possible action (Karen Paup, CDC Commissioner).

*Commissioner Paup briefed the CDC regarding the housing committee's recommendation to move forward draft Resolution #20160614-7b, on inclusionary zoning (shown below) for consideration by City Council.*

***Whereas***, in order to enable Austin's economic viability in the future it is necessary to better accommodate its workforce with affordable housing, quality schools and an efficient transportation system on which to commute; and

***Whereas***, providing housing in developments throughout the city for low and moderate income residents will retain the workforce, better integrate public schools and reduce traffic congestion; and

***Whereas***, Texas allows Austin to require inclusionary zoning be included in Homestead Preservation Districts, an opportunity that should be expanded to the entire Municipality;

***Therefore, be it resolved***, the Community Development Commission supports inclusion of housing affordable for low and moderate-income households in development projects city-wide and urges the City to implement such set-asides in homestead preservation districts by implementing inclusionary zoning and press enabling legislation in the upcoming session to allow affordable housing set asides in all quadrants of the city.

*Dr. Bo McCarver addressed the commission regarding the draft resolution. A motion to pass the resolution was made by Commissioner McGhee, seconded by Commissioner Singer, and following discussion was passed by a vote of 11-0.*

## **6. COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)**

- a. Briefing and discussion on the Community Services Block Grant (Maria Allen, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Health and Human Services Department).

*Maria Allen, HHSD, presented.*

- b. Briefing, discussion and possible action on the responsible organization for the East Austin Designated Geographic Area.

*Maria Allen, HHSD, presented. Commissioner McGhee made a motion to approve the East Cesar Chavez Contact team as the responsible organization to hold the nomination and selection process to elect an East Austin commissioner; Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion, and the motion passed by a vote of 10-0-1, with CM Dailey abstaining.*

## **7. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding the Cactus Rose Mobile Home Park, located at 500 Bastrop Highway in the Montopolis Neighborhood Planning Area.

*Susana Almanza, Director of People Organized in Defense of Earth and her Resources (PODER), provided a video presentation. Following discussion, Commissioner McGhee made a motion that the CDC support draft Recommendation #20160614-07a in support of the Cactus Rose Mobile Home Park residents' plan. The draft recommendation states:*

*The Community Development Commission recommends that City Council support the plan requested by residents at Cactus Rose Mobile Home Park to:*

- 1) Remain on site, and that the developer accommodate them by constructing a new mobile home park there, and provide the residents with new or used mobile homes funded by the developer, and*
- 2) That City staff research suitable city-owned land where the residents can relocate as a whole community to a new site within a 2.5-mile radius of the existing mobile home park, with funding for new or used trailers provided by the developer, and with the City providing the land as a Community Land Trust.*

*Following discussion, Commissioner McGhee moved to approve the recommendation, Commissioner Fadelu seconded the motion, and the motion passed by 11-0 vote.*

- b. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding inclusionary zoning and neighborhood plans (Dr. Bo McCarver, Blackland Community Development Corporation).

*This item was discussed and acted upon previously, under item 5, “Update from the CDC Housing Committee”.*

- c. Discussion and possible action regarding S.M.A.R.T. Housing and fee waivers.

*No action was taken.*

## **8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- *Goals and priorities related to the Annual Internal Review Report*
- *Brownfields Recovery Presentation*
- *Rosewood Courts*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair Rivera adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:47pm.*

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