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DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 6:00 PM
AUSTIN CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM 1101
301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: E. Taniguchi at 6:03 PM.

Roll Call: C. Kenny arrived at 6:05 PM; B. Whatley and S. Franco not present.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None

2. MEETING MINUTES:
a. Discussion and possible action on the August 22, 2016 meeting minutes;

The motion to approve the minutes as drafted made by D. Carroll; second by E. Taniguchi; was approved on a vote of [7-0]. B. Whatley, S. Franco, and C. Kenny not present.

3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action): None

4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Discussion and possible action on the Infrastructure Project application Checklist (Chair Taniguchi)

A. Coleman took notes and will send to E. Taniguchi. Commission requested City Architect organize a briefing by Office of Sustainability and Building Leadership Excellence Team at their next regular meeting on climate change and resolutions that currently affect City projects, respectively. E. Taniguchi will form a working group to edit the last section of the application ("Environmental/Sustainable Issues") after the presentations. **No action taken by Commission.**

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

a. Standing Committees Reports: None

b. Working Group Reports: None

c. Liaison Reports: None

d. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair: None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS: None

7. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** None

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Chair Announcements: None

b. Items from Commission Members:

H. Walker gave an update on the status of Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) IH-35 project and its public input period. **E. Taniguchi called a special meeting for Friday 9/30 to discuss and take possible action on writing a letter to TxDOT regarding the IH-35 project.**

A. Coleman asked for follow up on the scope of the Design Commission's ordinance to verify if the airport is exempt from Design Commission review and why. City Architect (Kit Johnson) suggested an official letter from the Commission formally requesting / directing staff to look into the issue. A. Coleman made a motion to request verification from Airport group that the project is exempt from Design Commission's review and why (or, if it's not, why it didn't come before the Commission), and, drawings for Design Commission's review to see how project fits within the public realm. B. Luckens seconded. Discussion included D. Carroll suggesting going higher up, E. Taniguchi suggesting the Director of Aviation, C. Kenny suggesting the Legal Dept. A. Coleman suggested Staff Liaison look into what procedures are to get an official City response. **No action taken by the Commission. E. Taniguchi added this as an agenda item for next meeting.**

C. Items from City Staff: None

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 9:17 PM

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