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Land Development Code Advisory Group Meeting #56

November 28th 2016 at 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

Waller Creek Center, Room 104

625 E 10th Street

Austin, TX 78701

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Minutes

Present: Jim Duncan, Nuria Zaragoza, Elizabeth (Liz) Mueller, Patricia King, Melissa Beeler, Cesar Acosta, Eleanor McKinney, Roger Borgelt, Susan Moffat, Dave Sullivan, Lauren Ice, Mandy de Mayo, Terry Mitchell, Dr. Richard Heyman

Not Present: Colby Wallis, Jose Valera, Guy Dudley

CALL TO ORDER

Chair called meeting to order at 6:00 pm

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (6:00-6:05)

November 7 and November 16, 2016 minutes approved as presented.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL (6:05-6:20)

Mr. David King addressed the CAG in regards to the great job the CAG was doing and encouraged them to continue their public input for all neighborhoods in the same manner in the future.

3. OLD BUSINESS (6:20-6:40)

a. Staff status report on outreach & drafting process (5 minutes)

Greg Guernsey discussed the 3 CAG meetings that have been previously discussed. Explanation that we'll be working on the timeline

b. CAG report on outreach efforts (15 minutes)

i. Prescription Paper Feedback & Poll

Dave Sullivan said he started on the feedback for the mobility working group. An online poll is being created for all the prescription papers. The report should be ready by next month and votes would be due on January 5th and available on January 9th. Thus they would be available 3 weeks before the draft comes out.

Nuria Zaragoza asked staff whether the exercise of polling makes sense in this short period before the draft code gets released. Greg Guernsey said it should lead outreach efforts in guiding themes throughout the feedback process please see video at

[\(http://austintx.swagit.com/play/11302016-612/2/\)](http://austintx.swagit.com/play/11302016-612/2/).

Dave Sullivan responded that this poll is the vote of the CAG, to provide evidence on which topics are the most controversial.

Nuria Zaragoza suggested instead of performing a poll on the prescriptions which are higher level, to perform a poll on the draft code that is more specific.

Mandy de Mayo said she does not view the poll as quantitative data but sees it as a pulse check. Liz Mueller agreed and said that discussion points with varying conditions would be helpful with the mapping sessions. Eleanor McKinney also agreed that it is a valuable tool that will help the CAG understand how they all think.

Dave responded that this is not a difficult effort. Jim Duncan seconded that the CAG is in agreement to continue the poll for the Prescription papers.

Melissa Beeler spoke to Council Member Ann Kitchen in regards to how the CAG can have more of a voice in policy issues. Council Member Ann Kitchen suggested that each WG provide a one sheet on policy issues related to each prescription for the Council to consider at a later point.

ii. Outreach to stakeholder groups

No outreach updates since the last meeting

4. NEW BUSINESS (6:40-8:50)

a. Staff presentation on Subdivisions (40 minutes)

Steve Hopkins with Development Services Department presented. Please see video at [\(http://austintx.swagit.com/play/11302016-612/2/\)](http://austintx.swagit.com/play/11302016-612/2/).

b. Staff presentation on the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan & Project Connect (60 minutes)

Annick Beudet and Joe Clemons with the City of Austin Transportation presented. Please see video at [\(http://austintx.swagit.com/play/11302016-612/2/\)](http://austintx.swagit.com/play/11302016-612/2/).

c. Staff led follow-up discussion on 2nd Joint CAG Council Meeting (30 minutes)

i. Timeline:

Greg Guernsey introduced a timeline and the 3 meetings that Eleanor McKinney proposed.

Jim Duncan requested that the 3 meetings should occur towards the back end of the 4 month period

ii. Educational Collateral

Mandy de Mayo wants the CAG to be prepared to educate those who are NOT going to read the code. Nuria Zaragoza was concerned about photos that represented specific transects, yet not drawn to maximum buildout. She wants us to show what is the most that could be built to a certain extent and the least amount of beautification possible.

Alina Carnahan mentioned that this material would be more basic than that.

Melissa Beeler asked when the guide that would discuss the multiple changes in the code would be available.

- iii. CAG Report goals
Tabled for next meeting.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (8:50-9:00)

- a. Consultant generated presentation on transects and zones. Staff presentation on Outreach Outline.

ADJORNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm

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