



**DESIGN COMMISSION**  
**MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017 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 David Carroll at 6:06 pm.**

Roll Call: **C. Kenny arrived at 6:40 pm. K. Halloran and A. Coleman not present.**

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: **None.**

2. MEETING MINUTES (Discussion and Possible Action):

a. Discussion and possible action on the **June 26, 2017** meeting minutes;

**The motion to approve the minutes as drafted made by S. Franco; second by M. Gonzalez; was approved on a unanimous vote of [8-0]; C. Kenny, K. Halloran and A. Coleman not present.**

3. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

a. Discussion and possible action on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Colorado design development submittal, located at 300 Colorado Street, seeking review for substantial compliance with the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin in accordance with the first Gatekeeper requirement of LDC 25-2-586 for the Downtown Density Bonus Program ([Michael Whellan](#), Graves Dougherty Hearon & Moody) (45 mins.);

Barrett Lepore (GDA Architects) introduced Scott Krieger and Mark Sullivan who presented.

**The motion to adopt the recommendation letter of the Working Group that finds the project substantially compliant with the Urban Design Guidelines was made by B. Whatley; second by E. Taniguchi. The motion passed on a vote of [8-1]. M. Henao-Robledo voted against; K. Halloran and A. Coleman not present.**

b. Briefing, discussion and possible action Briefing, discussion and possible action on **current Downtown Density Bonus requirements** ([Katie Mulholland](#) and [Anne Milne](#), COA Planning & Zoning) (30 mins.);

Katie Mulholland presented with the help of Anne Milne (COA- Planning & Zoning).

**No formal action taken by the Commission.**

4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action on **CodeNEXT's** draft code, maps, and processes (Chair Carroll)

**The motion to approve the CodeNEXT Working Group's memo with edits] and send them to CodeNEXT made by B. Frail; second by M. Gonzalez. The motion passed on a unanimous vote of [9-0]. K. Halloran and A. Coleman not present.**

- b. Discussion and possible action on the **Infrastructure Design Guidelines** as directed by City Council Resolution No. 20120816-060 (Chair Carroll)

The Architecture and Development Working Group met and quickly realized there were limited opportunities to incorporate infrastructure into the "Guidelines for Buildings" so they're focusing on creating a separate "Buildings as Infrastructure" section (e.g., pump house, chiller station) and adding applicable, existing Urban Design Guidelines. Their goal is to use the same language and stay at the same high level. E. Taniguchi clarified that it was buildings within the public realm.

The Architecture and Development Working Group recommended creating a new Infrastructure Chapter and adding the "Buildings as Infrastructure" section (and sections from the other Working Groups) to it. The Infrastructure Chapter would include applicable Urban Design Guidelines and use the same structure.

The Chair reiterated that the goal is for the Working Groups to meet and prepare guidelines for their assigned section to discuss at the August 28 meeting.

**No formal action taken by the Commission.**

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

- a. Liaison Reports:

M. Henao-Robledo was unable to attend the Downtown Commission meeting, but saw they had a presentation by the Downtown Austin Alliance (DAA) regarding parking. She will review to see if the Design Commission would like to get the presentation. E. Taniguchi suggested reviewing the recording before inviting them.

S. Franco reported that he attended the first South Central Waterfront Advisory Board meeting, which was mostly housekeeping, including election of officers and setting the meeting dates.

**No action taken by the Commission.**

- b. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair: **None**

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS: **None**

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Density Bonus summary of program outcomes (tentatively Aug. 28)
- b. City of Austin's tree funding & standards (tentatively late summer/early fall)
- c. Shipe Park and Onion Creek Fire & EMS Station (tentatively early fall)

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Chair Announcements: **None**

b. Items from Commission Members:

E. Taniguchi suggested watching the documentary film *Citizen Jane* about Jane Jacobs.

c. Items from City Staff: **None**

**ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 8:31 pm.**