



**DOWNTOWN COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018**

The Downtown Commission convened in a meeting on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 301 W. 2nd Street.

Downtown Commissioners in Attendance:

Chair Joel Sher, Commissioner Wardaleen Belvin, Commissioner David Gomez, Commissioner August Harris, Commissioner Christopher Lehman, Commissioner Megan Meisenbach, Commissioner Chris Kanipe, Commissioner Melissa Henao-Robledo, Commissioner Richard DePalma, Commissioner Sam Sargent, Commissioner Andrew Harrison

Downtown Commissioners Not in Attendance:

Vice Chair Jennifer Bristol, Commissioner Timothy Moore

City Staff in Attendance:

Christine Maguire, Mona Sanchez, Economic Development Department; Karla Taylor, Joel Meyer and Amica Bose, Austin Transportation Department, Peter Valdez and Jennifer Sowinski, Downtown Austin Community Court

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

No citizens were signed up to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17TH, 2018 REGULAR MEETING

The minutes from the January 17th, 2018 regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Meisenbach's motion and Commissioner Sargent second, on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Kanipe off dais.

4. SMART MOBILITY ROADMAP

The Commission received a presentation from Karla Taylor, Austin Transportation Department.

No action was taken.

5. COA PEDESTRIAN VISION PLAN

The Commission received a presentation from Joel Meyer and Amica Bose, Austin Transportation Department.

No action was taken.

6. DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT SERVICES

The Commission received a presentation from Peter Valdez and Jennifer Sowinski, Downtown Austin Community Court.

Commissioner Gomez motioned to make a recommendation to resolve that the City of Austin audit of homeless services identify best practices like Downtown Austin Community Court for enhancement throughout the City with Commissioner Sargent on a vote of 9-0.

7. WORKING GROUP

A. CodeNEXT Working Group

In the process of review the third draft of CodeNEXT

B. Historic Commission Moontower Restoration Working Group

Ongoing discussions of Moontower placement

8. ITEMS OF INFORMATION FROM COMMISSIONERS

- Commissioner DePalma reported that March 3rd, 2018 is It's My Park Day

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF

There were no items from staff

10. POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Cesar Chavez Traffic Impact Analysis (i.e., Mopac expansion)
- COA Music Office Busking Initiative
- Special Events Ordinance
- Dockless Bicycle Stations

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

The minutes were approved on this the 21st day of March 2018 on Commissioner Harris' motion and Commissioner Meisenbach's second on a vote of 10-0.