

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2018

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mayor Adler introduced the agenda for the May 10, 2018 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

- 19. Approve an ordinance amending City Code chapter 2-5 relating to council committees.
- 16. Approve a resolution to clarify membership requirements applicable to the Planning Commission under the City Charter.
- 47. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to refrain from exercising or including certain provisions in City contracts related to the sale or trade-in of firearms or firearm accessories. Council Sponsors: Council Member Alison Alter, Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, Mayor Steve Adler, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member Jimmy Flannigan.
 - Direction was given to staff to provide more information on the definition of "certified police officer"; to consider developing a method to track the source of firearms used in a crime; and determine if state law dictates the ability to sell firearms to retired police officers.
- Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 2-1-206 relating to the Joint Sustainability Committee bylaws. Council Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee.
 Direction was given to staff to define environmental concerns as an option for diversity.
- 91. Authorize negotiation and execution of a 120-month lease agreement with one option to extend for an additional ten years, for approximately 96,000 square feet of office space for Municipal Court with Met Center Partners-11, Ltd., a Texas Limited Partnership, located at Met Center II, Building 3,7000 Metropolis Drive, in an amount not to exceed \$31,278,785. District(s) Affected: District 2.

Direction was given to staff to provide Council with information on the other options considered including costs and differences in the locations;

18. Approve third reading of an ordinance relating to special events and high capacity event venues, repealing and replacing City Code Chapter 14-8 relating to right-of-way closures for special events and neighborhood block parties, amending requirements for temporary food establishments during a special event, repealing City Code Section 14-6-3 relating to closures for a street festivity, amending City Code Chapter 9-2 relating to 24-hour live music and multi-day special event permits; and creating offenses and establishing penalties.

Direction was given to staff to propose possible language to encourage groups of any size to provide notice to the City of a special event.

30. Authorize negotiation and execution of multi-term cooperative contracts with Haworth, Herman Miller Inc., Knoll Inc., The Hon Company, Southern Aluminum, Steelcase Inc. and Trendway and their manufacturer approved distributors, to provide furniture including installation and other related services, for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$16,446,000 divided among the contractors. (Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Direction was given to staff to provide information on why a high end vendor was selected.

- 92. Approve a resolution amending Resolution No. 20180426-032 relating to an educational campaign that seeks to empower vulnerable families when selling or buying a home. Council Sponsors: Council Member Delia Garza, Mayor Steve Adler, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Gregorio Casar.
- 78. C14H-2018-0013 Smoot/Terrace Park Historic District District 9 Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property within the proposed boundaries of the Smoot/Terrace Park Historic District, roughly bounded by Pressler Street on the east, including the parcels on both sides of the street; W. 9th Street on the north, including the parcels on both sides of the street; W. 6th Street on the south, including only the parcels on the north side of the street; and Highland Avenue on the west, including the parcels on both sides of the street by adding historic area (HD) combining district overlay to all existing base zoning, but making no other zoning changes. Staff Recommendation: To grant historic area (HD) combining district overlay to all existing base zoning for all parcels within the proposed historic district. Historic Landmark Commission Recommendation To grant historic area (HD) combining district overlay to all existing base zoning for all parcels within the proposed historic district. Planning Commission Recommendation: Forwarded to council without a recommendation. City Staff: Cara Bertron, Historic Preservation Office, Planning and Zoning Department, 512-974-1446. District(s) Affected: District 9.

A request for a time certain of 6:30 p.m. will be requested at the May 10, 2018 Council Meeting.

- 48. Approve a resolution supporting sanctuary for three individuals living at houses of worship in Austin, and urging federal officials to prevent their deportation. Council Sponsors: Council Member Leslie Pool, Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Alison Alter.
- 50. Approve a resolution initiating code amendments to City Code Title 25 and uncodified ordinances to prohibit source of income discrimination and to require eviction protections for tenants of

developments that participate in the City's density bonus and other similar incentive programs. Council Sponsors: Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Delia Garza, Council Member Sabino 'Pio' Renteria, Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo.

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51. Approve a resolution relating to private activity bonds for residential rental developments and protections for tenants. Council Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Leslie Pool, Council Member Delia Garza

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52. Approve a resolution relating to tenant protections for a rental property required to register under City Code Chapter 4-14 (Registration of Rental Property). Council Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Delia Garza, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Leslie Pool.

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BRIEFINGS

B.1. Waller Creek TIF Financing and Project Plan.

Presentation was made by Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Sara Hensley, Interim Assistant City Manager, and Peter Mullan, Chief Executive Officer, Waller Creek Conservancy.

Direction was given to staff to continue the discussion with Travis County to continue the City-County partnership for support for the project; provide information to Council on authorized uses of the funds and the ability to use them on affordable housing.

B.2. Economic Incentives Policy Update.

Presentation was made by David Colligan, Director of Global Business Expansion, Economic Development Department, John Hockenyos, President of TXP, and Julia Campbell, Program Manager, Economic Development Department.

Direction was given to staff to provide information on the timeline on when the retail component was removed, information on why it was removed and explanation on why it should be added back.

B.3. Briefing and Update on Potential 2018 Bond Election

Presentation was made by Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer; Belinda Weaver, Acting Treasurer, Bryan Rivera, Assistant Treasurer and Katy Zamesnik, Budget Office.

Direction was given to staff to provide a slide showing a 1-cent increase for a \$300,000 home; to provide a list of previous bond projects, the status of each and if funding has been expended highlighting those projects in the 2006 Bond package; to schedule time during the upcoming work sessions for bond discussions; and provide information on how the mobility bond fits into the debt service capacity.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

Mayor Adler recessed the Council Meeting to go into Executive Session at 1:31 p.m.

- E.1. Discuss legal issues related to open government matters (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
 - Withdrawn without objection
- E.2. Discuss legal issues related to setting wholesale water and wastewater rates and obtaining approval in accordance with the final order in Texas Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 42857 (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- E.3. Discuss legal issues related to Breaion King v. Officer Bryan Richter et al, Cause No. 1:16-cv-01020, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- E.4. Discuss legal issues related to the City of Dripping Springs' Application for a Permit to Discharge Treated Wastewater Effluent into Walnut Springs Tributary and Onion Creek (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- E.5. Discuss legal issues related to the November 2018 election (Private consultation with legal counsel
 Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
 Withdrawn without objection

Executive Session ended and Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 24th day of May 2018 on Mayor Adler's motion on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Troxclair was absent.