

#### URBAN RENEWAL BOARD <u>APPROVED</u> MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING July 16, 2018** 

The Urban Renewal Board convened in a regular meeting on Monday, July 16, 2018, at the Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 400A, Austin TX.

Chair Babb called the Board Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Joe Babb, Chair Nicole Sunstrum, Vice-Chair Parisa Fatehi-Weeks Maegan Ellis Nathaniel Bradford Manuel Escobar

Board Members Absent Jana Ortega

Staff in Attendance: Sandra Harkins Gina Copic Habib Erkan

PURPOSE: The Board of Commissioners primary responsibility is to oversee the implementation and compliance of approved Urban Renewal Plans that are adopted by the Austin City Council. An Urban Renewal Plan's primary purpose is to eliminate slum and blighting influence within a designated area of the city.

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approval of the June 18, 2018, Regular Meeting Minutes The motion to approve the June 18, 2018, regular meeting minutes was made by Vice-Chair Sunstrum, seconded by Commissioner Bradford and approved on a 6-0-0 vote.
- 2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL** (The first 5 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns. This is the opportunity for visitors and guests to address the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin (Agency) on any issue. The Agency may not debate any non-agenda issue, nor may any action be taken on any non-agenda issue at this time

however the Agency may present any factual response to items brought up by citizens. (Attorney General Opinion – JC-0169) (Limit of three minutes each). **None** 

# Chair Babb recessed the Urban Renewal Board meeting to go into Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

### 3. Executive Session

- a. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney) the Board of Commissioners shall convene in executive session to consult with the Agency's attorney regarding requests for extension of the "Outside Completion Date" as allowed under the Escrow Agreements of real properties located in Austin Texas at 1120 East 12th Street and 1322-1336 East 12th Street.
- b. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney) the Board of Commissioners shall convene in executive session to consult with the Agency's attorney regarding the sale and resale of Agency-owned real properties.

Chair Babb reconvened the Urban Renewal Board meeting at 8:00 p.m., no action was taken by the Board of Commissioners during Executive Session

#### 4. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

a. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the East Austin Historic Resource Survey, issued October 25, 2016, and how this survey impacts properties within the Urban Renewal Plan boundaries.

Item 4 a. was heard before Items 3 a. and b.

Presentation was provided by Steve Sadowsky with the City of Austin's Historic Preservation Office. The Board requested Mr. Sadowsky to attend the August Urban Renewal Board meeting and provide information on what sections of the East Austin Historic Resource Survey overlap into the Urban Renewal Plan area.

b. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding CodeNEXT, specifically as it relates to the F25 category proposed for the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street's neighborhood conservation combining districts and the rezoning options if the zoning was to change in the future.

This item was postponed until the August 20, 2018 meeting.

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action regarding the development update for 1120 East 12th Street and 1322-1336 East 12th Street.

The motion requesting the Board's legal counsel to prepare letters of noncompliance to each of the parties seeking extensions under Section 1.4 of the Escrow Agreements and as to 1322-1336 E 12<sup>th</sup> Street (Tract 5), authorizing the Board Chair to enter into an amendment to Section 1.6 of the Escrow Agreement to provide for a 60 day extension to the date of payment of escrowed funds to Seller was made by Commissioner Escobar and seconded by Commissioner Fatehi-Weeks and approved on a 5-0-0 vote.

b. Discussion and possible action regarding the Urban Renewal Board's existing request for proposal scoring criteria and matrix to ensure consistency with the goals of the Urban Renewal Plan and how enforcement provisions may be implemented.

**This item was postponed until the August 20, 2018 meeting** The Board requested staff to research what

c. Discussion and possible action regarding an extension of the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan.

# Presentation was provided by Commissioner Ellis.

#### 6. Staff Update

Update on East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Development Strategy Implementation

## **NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Next meeting is August 20, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

# ADJOURNMENT - Meeting ended at 8:48 p.m.