



**URBAN RENEWAL BOARD**  
**DRAFT MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**  
**November 29, 2018**

**The Urban Renewal Board convened a special called meeting on Monday, November 29, 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 6:15 p.m.**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

**Joe Babb, Chair**  
**Maegan Ellis, Vice-Chair**  
**Roxanne Evans**  
**Manuel Escobar**

**Board Members Absent**

**Nathaniel Bradford**

**Staff in Attendance:**

**Rosie Truelove**  
**Gina Copic**  
**Sandra Harkins**  
**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.

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – – Approval of the November 29, 2018, Special Called Meeting Minutes. The motion to approve the November 29, 2018, special called meeting minutes with correction, was made by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Escobar and approved on a 4-0-0 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 meeting for a break at 7:50 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:57 p.m.**

**Chair Babb recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 8:58 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 URB's attorney regarding the request for extension of the "Outside Completion Date" and request to release the Escrowed Funds as allowed under the Escrow Agreement of real property located in Austin, Texas at 1120 East 12th Street.
- b. Reconvene in open session and possibly take.

**Chair Babb reconvened the Urban Renewal Board meeting at 9:05 p.m., and stated that no action was taken by the Board of Commissioners during Executive Session**

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Item 4.a was heard after 5.a. and prior to Executive Session**

- a. Discussion and possible action authorizing the negotiation and execution of a 10-month amendment to the License Agreement with Diverse Arts Culture Works for the properties located at 1106, 1112 and 1114 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street and 1109 Juniper Street. **A motion to extend the License Agreement with Diverse Arts Culture Works until December 31, 2018, for properties located at 1106, 1112, and 1114 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street and 1109 Juniper Street, was made by Vice-Chair Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Evans and approved on a 4-0-0 vote.**  
**A motion to authorize Chair Babb, Commissioner Evans and Commissioner Escobar to work with staff, URB Legal Counsel, Diverse Arts Culture Works and their legal Counsel to refine the final terms of the License Agreement was made by Vice-Chair Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Evans and approved on a 4-0-0 vote.**

#### **Item 4.b was heard prior to Executive Session**

- b. Discussion and possible action authorizing the negotiation and execution of the second amendment to the Escrow Agreement's third extension to the Outside Completion Date for the properties located at 1322-1336 East 12th Street from July 31, 2019 to August 31, 2019. **The motion to approve the second amendment to the Escrow Agreement's third extension to the Outside Completion Date for the properties located at 1322-1336 East 12th Street from July 31, 2019 to August 31, 2019 was made by Vice-Chair Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Escobar and approved on a 4-0-0 vote.**
- c. Update, discussion and possible action on the status of the pending East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan Modifications and the amendment to the East 11<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) to parallel the structure of the current East 12<sup>th</sup> Street NCCD.

**Sandra Harkins provided update. No action was taken. Item will be on the January 14, 2019 agenda.**

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**Item 5.a was heard after 4.b and prior to Executive Session**

- a. Update, discussion and possible action regarding the extension to the term of the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan.

**Rosie Truelove provided update and presented City Staff recommendation.**

- b. Discussion and possible action of an Urban Renewal Board's policy on property disposition.

**No discussion or action on this item.**

- c. 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.

**Postponed to next scheduled meeting.**

- d. Discussion and possible action concerning the City of Austin Code Departments, Code Complaint issued for the property located at 1106 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Sandra Harkins provided update. No action was taken.**

- e. Update, discussion and possible action regarding the developments at 1120 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street and 1322-1336 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

**No update was provided.**

**6. Staff Update**

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

**No update was provided.**

**NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 14, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT – Meeting ended at 9:06 p.m.**