



DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019 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 D. Carroll at 6:02 p.m.**

Member List

X	David Carroll – Chair	X	Melissa Hanao-Robledo
X	Martha Gonzalez – Vice-Chair	X	Ben Luckens
	Aan Coleman	X	Evan Taniguchi
X	Beau Frail	X	Bart Whatley
X	Samuel Franco		VACANT
X	Katie Halloran		

Support Staff in attendance: Benjamin Campbell (Executive Liaison; PAZ); Nichole Koerth (Staff Liaison; PAZ)

Commissioner E. Taniguchi arrived at 6:04 p.m.

Commissioner B. Whatley arrived at 6:06 p.m.

Commissioner A. Coleman not present.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

None.

2. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Director regarding whether the **Hanover Republic Square** project, addressed at 305 W. 5th Street, complies with the [Urban Design Guidelines](#), a gatekeeper requirement for the Downtown Density Bonus Program ([LDC §25-2-586\(C\)\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)) ([Jennifer Lee Green](#), Solomon Cordwell Buenz; [Craig Krupitzer](#), Solomon Cordwell Buenz; [Jackie Oberlander](#), Solomon Cordwell Buenz);

Craig Krupitzer, Jackie Oberlander, David Ott (Hanover Company) and Chase LeBlanc (Hanover Company) presented and answered questions from the Commission.

The motion to support the project with the recommendation to address public art, to display art in the mailroom/lobby and for pedestrian access on Lavaca Street was made by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez; and seconded by Commissioner B. Whatley.

Chair D. Carroll made a friendly amendment to request that the applicants consider a drop-off site for rideshare in their plan.

Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez accepted.

The motion and friendly amendment were approved on a unanimous vote [9-0-0].

Commissioner A. Coleman was not present.

- b. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the **Kingsbury Commons** at the south end of Pease Park, north of the intersection of Parkway and Kingsbury Street, shows “compliance with city design and sustainability standards” per [Resolution 20071129-046](#) ([Heath Riddles](#), Pease Park Conservancy; [Tim Campbell](#), Ten Eyck)

Heath Riddles and Tim Campbell, with help from Julia Mrnak (Garza EMC), Joseph Boyle (Clayton & Little Architects), and Mell Lawrence (Mell Lawrence Architects) presented and answered questions from the commission.

The motion to support the project was made by Commissioner E. Taniguchi; seconded by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez; and approved unanimously [9-0-0].

Commissioner B. Frail left the dais at 7:01 p.m. and returned at 7:03 p.m.

Commissioner A. Coleman was not present.

3. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and possible Action):

- a. **None**

4. COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action on the **January 28, 2019** meeting minutes;

The motion to approve the minutes as drafted was made by Commissioner E. Taniguchi; second by Commissioner K. Halloran; and was approved unanimously [8-0-0].

Commissioner S. Franco left the dais at 7:53 p.m. and returned at 7:55 p.m. and was not present to vote on this item.

Commissioner A. Coleman was not present.

- b. Discussion and possible action regarding recommendations for the Downtown Density Bonus Program in relation to the Rainey Street Subdistrict of the Waterfront Overlay District ([Ord. 20140227-054](#)) (requested by [Chair D. Carroll](#) & [Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez](#));

This item has been requested for postponement by the petitioner.

The motion to approve postponement was made by Commissioner B. Whatley; seconded by Commissioner S. Franco; and approved unanimously [9-0-0].

Commissioner A. Coleman was not present.

c. Liaison Reports;

Commissioner M. Henao-Robledo, liaison to the Downtown Commission, gave a brief report on the last meeting, including upcoming Downtown restrooms, capacity at the ARCH, and on dockless mobility.

Commissioner Franco, liaison to the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board, gave a brief update on the last meeting and on TIF study.

d. Appointment of Commission Liaison to the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board;

The motion to re-appoint Commissioner S. Franco was made by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez; seconded by Commissioner B. Frail; and accepted by Commissioner S. Franco; and approved unanimously [9-0-0].

Commissioner A. Coleman was not present.

e. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair;

Chair D. Carroll and Commissioners E. Taniguchi and B. Whatley said they would attend the upcoming Downtown Density Bonus Program Working Group meeting.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. Chair Announcements:

Chair D. Carroll said that he was working with the Council to fill the Design Commission vacancy.

b. Items from Commission Members:

Commissioner M. Henao-Robledo announced the upcoming Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative open house on March 5th.

c. Items from City Staff:

None.

ADJOURNMENT at: 8:20 p.m.

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