



## **SOUTH CENTRAL WATERFRONT ADVISORY BOARD DRAFT MINUTES FOR JUNE 17, 2019 AT 6:00 PM**

The South Central Waterfront Advisory Board convened in a regular meeting on June 17, 2019 at Austin City Hall, Boards and Commissions Room 1101 located on 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas.

*Chair* Samuel Franco called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. At the Chair's proposal and Board approval, Agenda Item 3c was presented first, followed by Item 3b, then Item 3a, and Item 3d.

### **Board Members in attendance:**

*Chair* Samuel Franco (Design Commission)  
*Vice-Chair* James Schissler (Planning Commission)  
Linda Guerrero (Environmental Commission)  
Francoise Luca (Parks & Recreation Board)  
Wendy Price Todd (S. River City NA)  
Cory Walton (Bouldin Creek NA)

### **Ex Officios:**

Lauren Avioli (NHCD)  
Molly Alexander (DAA)

### **City of Austin Planning & Zoning Staff:**

Alan Holt, Executive Liaison  
Sravya Garladdenne, Staff Liaison

## **1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

- a. Citizen Jeff Jack requested to comment on Agenda Item 3a after the presentation was complete, which the Board granted. After Agenda Item 3a, Jeff Jack voiced his concern about the development proposed on the Statesman site would not protect the scenic vistas as is the intent of the Waterfront Overlay Ordinance.

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**

- a. *Vice Chair* Jim Schissler made a motion to approve the draft May 20, 2019 minutes, seconded by Board Member Linda Guerrero. The motion to approve passed with 5 yes, 1 absent (Al Godfrey), 1 abstain (Wendy Price Todd) and 2 vacant votes.

## **3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- c. **Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative Presentation** – PWD Staff David Taylor, ATD Staff Nathan Wilkes, and Downtown Austin Alliance Staff, Michelle Van Hyfte, gave a brief presentation on the Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative. The Board discussed this but no action was taken.
- b. **EDD Staff Update on their response to Council on Economic Development Corporations** – EDD Staff David Colligan gave a presentation on the EDD Response to Council Resolution 20170216-040 related to Economic Development Corporations and said that additional consultant support would be required prior to making any decision about a citywide economic development corporation. The Board discussed this and Vice Chair Jim Schissler made a motion, seconded by Board Member Cory Walton, to send a Recommendation requesting the City Council to instruct the Economic Development Department to set up a local governance corporation for the South Central Waterfront district. The motion to approve passed with 6 yes, 1 absent (Al Godfrey), and 2 vacant votes.

- a. **Statesman PUD Amendment Presentation** – Representative of the owners of 305 S Congress Ave, a.k.a. Statesman site, Richard Suttle introduced the future plans for the site and gave a brief update on next steps. Developer Endeavor’s consultants Douglas Voigt from Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill, and Julie Gawendo from CMG Landscape Architects, presented the vision for this site. The Board discussed this but no action was taken.
- d. **Update on PAZ Consultant Contracts** – Executive Liaison Alan Holt updated the Board on the status of three contracts for consultants that will soon begin work on the South Central Waterfront Initiative, over the course of discussion in other agenda items. The Board discussed this but no action was taken.

#### 4. PROJECT UPDATES AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- a. No updates

#### 5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*Future agenda items will NOT be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion, and/or possible recommendation at a FUTURE meeting.*

- a. Briefing about the PUD Amendment Process
- b. Discuss today’s presentation and opportunities for feedback
- c. Understand the phasing and sequencing of development

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT - With no objections, *Chair* Samuel Franco adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.