



DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 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 6:01 p.m.**

Member List

<u>X</u>	David Carroll – Chair	<u>X</u>	Melissa Henao-Robledo
<u>X</u>	Martha Gonzalez – Vice-Chair	<u>X</u>	Ben Luckens
<u>X</u>	Aan Coleman	<u>X</u>	Evan Taniguchi
<u>X</u>	Beau Frail	<u>X</u>	Bart Whatley
<u>X</u>	Samuel Franco	<u>X</u>	Josue Meiners
<u>X</u>	Katie Halloran		

Support Staff in attendance: Jorge Rousselin (Executive Liaison; PAZ); Nichole Koerth (Staff Liaison; PAZ); Aaron Jenkins (Staff Liaison; PAZ)

Commissioner B. Frail arrived at 6:02 p.m. Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez arrived at 6:04 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

None.

2. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **The Travis** project, addressed at 80 Red River Street, complies with the [Urban Design Guidelines](#), a gatekeeper requirement for the Downtown Density Bonus Program ([LDC §25-2-586\(C\)\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)) ([Leah Bojo](#), Drenner Group; [Gordon Ip](#), Genesis Living; [Mike Frazee](#), Studio Outside; [Stephen Drenner](#), Drenner Group);

Stephen Drenner presented, with assistance from [Michael Schooler](#) (GDA Architects) and Mike Frazee (Studio Outside)

The motion to support the project, as it complies with the Urban Design Guidelines, was made by Commissioner A. Coleman and seconded by Commissioner E. Taniguchi.

A friendly amendment regarding communication with Capital Metro in consideration to transit location was made by Commissioner K. Halloran. The friendly amendment was accepted by Commissioners A. Coleman and E. Taniguchi.

A friendly amendment to consider more public restrooms be included in the plan was made by Commissioner B. Frail. The friendly amendment was accepted by Commissioners A. Coleman and E. Taniguchi.

A friendly amendment to consider opening the proposed dog park to the public was made by Commissioner S. Franco. The friendly amendment was accepted by Commissioners A. Coleman and E. Taniguchi.

The motion, including the friendly amendments, was approved by a unanimous vote of [11-0-0].

- b. Courtesy briefing and discussion on the Walter E. Long Master Plan project ([Ricardo Soliz](#), COA-PARD; [Gregory Montes](#), COA- PARD; [Kim McKnight](#), COA-PARD);

Gregory Montes presented.

No action taken.

Commissioner B. Whatley left the dais at 8:09 pm.

- c. Courtesy briefing and discussion of the Street Impact Fee proposal ([Cole Kitten](#), COA-ATD; [Liane Miller](#), COA- ATD);

Liane Miller presented.

No action taken.

3. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and possible Action):

- a. None

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

- a. Discussion and possible action on the **August 26, 2019** draft meeting minutes;

The motion to approve the minutes, as drafted, was made by Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez and seconded by Commissioner E. Taniguchi. The motion was approved on a vote of [9-0-0].

Commissioner K. Halloran left the dais at 8:34 PM and returned at 8:36 PM and was not present for the vote. Commissioner B. Whatley was not present for the vote.

- b. Liaison Reports; **None.**
- c. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair; **None.**
- d. Discussion of a letter to City Council regarding updating the Urban Design Guidelines (Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez);

This item has been postponed as revisions are made to the letter.

- e. Discussion and possible action on the Memo Recommending Code Amendments related to the Downtown Density Bonus Program (Chair D. Carroll);

This item has been postponed as revisions are made to the letter.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. None

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair Announcements:

None.

- b. Items from Commission Members:

None.

- c. Items from City Staff:

None.

ADJOURNMENT at: 9:00 p.m.