



DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 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 Carroll at 6:05 PM.**

Member List

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

Vice-Chair Gonzalez and Commissioners Frail, Halloran, Luckens and Meiners were absent.

Support Staff in attendance: Jorge Rousselin (Executive Liaison; PAZ); Aaron Jenkins (Staff Liaison; PAZ); Art Zamorano (Staff Liaison; PAZ); Patrick Colunga (Staff Liaison; PAZ)

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

None.

2. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Courtesy briefing of the Waller Creek/Palm District Planning Initiative (Stevie Greathouse, COAPAZ);

Stevie Greathouse provided a briefing on the Waller Creek/Palm District Planning Initiative

No action was taken

3. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and possible action):

None;

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

- a. Discussion and possible action on the **October 28, 2019** meeting minutes; **Instead say “The motion to approve the minutes, as drafted, was made by Commissioner A. Coleman and seconded by Commissioner E. Taniguchi. The motion was approved on a vote of [6-0-0].**

- b. " Liaison Reports;
Commissioner Hanao-Robledo- Was not present for the Downtown commission meeting, but was informed that they discussed the following;
Capitol Complex North Congress Ave Project Connect Downtown Crime and Clean Up
Chair Carroll – Huston-Tillotson University study on Affordability and housing in East Austin.

Land Development Code with a focus on the environmental aspect

- c. Appointment of Committee/Working Group members by Chair;
Chair Carroll- 2020 working group status; nothing yet
- d. This item has been postponed to the next meeting as Vice-Chair M. Gonzalez was not available to present" however comments were made by the following commissioners:

Commissioner E. Taniguchi – made comments on the wording of some of the bullet points in the letter

Commissioner B. Whatley – wants the document to be flexible and not to be too specific, however keeping the focus on the principles of the design commission such as human scale

Commissioner A. Coleman – Expressed concern about the timing of the letter and recommended setting a deadline

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Chairman D. Carol requested Future briefing of Austin Core Transportation Plan

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair Announcements:
Chairman – D. Carrol requested that the commissioners to start thinking of community benefits within the Rainey District that are currently not included, as it relates to the downtown density bonus
- b. Items from Commission Members:
Downtown Density Bonus Project
- c. Items from City Staff:
Patrick Colunga was introduced as the new liaison by city staff to the Design Commission

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 6:58 PM.