

URBAN RENEWAL BOARD APPROVED MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING November 18, 2019

The Urban Renewal Board convened the regular meeting on Monday, November 18, 2019, at the Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11th Street, Room 400A, Austin TX.

Chair Escobar called the Board Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:
Manuel Escobar, Chair
Roxanne Evans, Vice-Chair
Amit Motwani
Danielle Skidmore
Nathaniel Bradford
Jacqueline Watson

Board Members Absent: Darrell Pierce

Staff in Attendance: Mandy DeMayo Sandra Harkins

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 October 21, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes. **The motion to approve the October 21, 2019, regular meeting minutes, was made by Commissioner Watson, seconded by Commissioner Bradford and approved on a 6-0-0 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).

Ethan Smith Tracy Witte

3. NEW BUSINESS

None

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update and discussion regarding the Urban Renewal Board's 9-month work plan. **Staff provided update of work plan. No action was taken**.
- b. Discuss the Agreement Concerning Implementation of the East 11th and 12th Streets Urban Renewal Plan with the City of Austin for a period of nine months and to provide the City Council with an update on the status of the Board's activities no later than March 31, 2020, with the City of Austin relating to roles, responsibilities and processes for the redevelopment of the East 11th and 12th Street Revitalization Project.
 - Staff provided a copy of the revised Agreement Concerning Implementation of the East 11th and 12th Streets Urban Renewal Plan that incorporated the Urban Renewal Board requested changes to the Statement of Work, 3.a, b & c. These changes amended the deadline dates to March 31, 2020. No action was taken.
- c. Discussion and possible action on recommended modifications to the East 11th and 12th Street Urban Renewal Plan and the East 11th Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) to parallel the structure of the current East 12th Street NCCD.
 - Jana McCann with McCann Adams Studios and staff provided the Urban Renewal Plan/11th Street NCCD comparison; recommendation and rationale.
 - Chair Escobar reviewed his recommended edits to the staff recommended edited Urban Renewal Plan.
 - Discussion on Compatibility and Permitted Uses is scheduled for the Urban Renewal Board's work session on Monday, December 2, 2019.

No action was taken.

d. Update, discussion and possible action regarding development plans for property owned by Eureka/Gilfillan Group within the East 11th and 12th Street's Urban Renewal Plan boundaries, including 1120 E 12th Street.

Chair Escobar read into the record written update from Eureka/Gilfillan Group. The Urban Renewal Board requested staff to ask for a copy of the finished Cultural and Historical Study that Donna Carter is conducting. No action was taken.

5. UPDATE FROM URBAN RENEWAL BOARD COMMITTEES, WORKING GROUPS AND APPOINTMENTS

Discussion and possible action on the following:

- a. Urban Renewal Plan Implementation Committee
 - Committee activities are on hold.
- b. Stakeholder Engagement Working Group Working Group activities are on hold.

NEXT MEETING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next regularly scheduled meeting is on Monday, December 16, 2019, at 6.00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting ended at 7:58 p.m.