



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (CDC)**

**Regular Meeting**

**January 14, 2020, 6:30 pm  
Boards and Commissions Room  
City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street  
Austin, Texas 78701**

**CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS**

<b>Joe Deshotel, Chair</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Fisayo Fadelu</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Bertha Delgado</b> East Austin	<b>Michael Tolliver</b> Colony Park
<b>Raymond Young</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Shavone Otero</b> Private Sector Appointee	<b>Tandera Louie, Vice Chair</b> North Austin	<b>Julia Woods</b> South Austin
<b>Amit Motwani</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Karen Paup</b> Private Sector Appointee	<b>Cesar Acosta</b> St. John's	<b>Alberto Mejia</b> Dove Springs
<b>Heidi Sloan</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Lottie Dailey</b> Rosewood-Zaragosa/Blackland	<b>Madra Mays</b> Montopolis	

Please visit <https://austintexas.gov/cdc> for more information about the Community Development Commission.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the board is to advise the Council in the development and implementation of programs designed to serve the poor and the community at large with an emphasis on federally funded programs.

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Deshotel called the meeting to order at 6:38pm with eight members present. Commissioners Fadelu, Mays, Tolliver and Mejia were absent; Commissioner Dailey resigned from the CDC on January 10, 2020. Commissioners Louie and Sloan joined the dias at 6:40pm.**

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

*Tim Arndt spoke regarding the utility cost burden for low-income residents, and an energy efficiency fund administered by Austin Energy. Angelica Erazo, Vice Chair of the Hispanic Quality of Life Commission, spoke regarding concerns about living conditions at Rosewood Courts and Salina Courts apartments.*

## **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Discussion and possible action on the November 12, 2019, Community Development Commission meeting minutes.

*On Commissioner Paup's motion, Commissioner Wood's second, the November 12, 2019, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.*

## **2. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Briefing and discussion on the Rebekah Baines Johnson Center affordable housing development (James May, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development; Paul Saldana, Vice Chair of the Austin Geriatric Center's Board of Directors; and, Janine Sisak, DMA Companies)

*Paul Saldana and Janine Sisak provided a presentation about the Rebekah Baines Johnson Center renovation and development.*

- b. Briefing and discussion on homelessness initiatives in Austin (Bree Williams, ECHO)

*Bree Williams provided a presentation, and Vella Karman, Austin Public Health, answered questions from the CDC about homelessness initiatives.*

- c. Briefing and discussion on Strategic Direction 2023 (Jonathan Tomko, Business Process Consultant, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development)

*Jonathan Tomko provided a presentation about Strategic Direction 2023.*

## **3. COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)**

- a. Briefing and discussion on the Community Services Block Grant (Angel Zambrano, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Austin Public Health)

*Angel Zambrano provided a presentation about the Community Services Block Grant.*

- b. Briefing and discussion on the Blackland Neighborhood Center services (Shameka Hodge-Holland, Manager, Blackland Neighborhood Center)

*Shameka Hodge-Holland provided a presentation about the Blackland Neighborhood Center.*

## **4. UPDATE FROM CDC COMMITTEES, WORKING GROUPS, AND APPOINTMENTS**

Discussion and possible action on the following committees and working groups, including potential appointment of Commissioners:

- a. CDC Housing Committee (Paup)

*Commissioner Paup provided an update to the full CDC regarding a presentation provided to the Housing Committee by City staff about the City of Austin's displacement mitigation strategies.*

- b. Joint Sustainability Commission (Fadelu)

*No update was provided, as Commissioner Fadelu was not in attendance.*

c. AISD Working Group (Woods and Delgado)

*No update was provided.*

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- *CapMetro Project Connect presentation (Louie)*
- *Presentation from Austin Tenants Council (ATC)*

**ADJOURN**

**Chair Deshotel adjourned the meeting at 9:09pm without objection.**

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