



**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.
COMMISSION MEMBERS**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Carroll, Chair (District 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Beau Frail (District 6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Martha Gonzalez, Vice-Chair (District 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Katie Holloran (District 7)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Samuel Franco (District 3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aan Coleman (District 8)
<input type="checkbox"/> Josue Meiners (District 4)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bart Whatley (District 9)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melissa Henao-Robledo (District 5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ben Luckens (District 10)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Evan Taniguchi (Mayor)	

CITY OF AUSTIN PLANNING & ZONING STAFF

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 Zambrano (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.