

**Economic Prosperity Commission  
April 17, 2020 3:00 pm  
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCING  
301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, TX 78701**



**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**1) OPENING REMARKS**

Introduction of members and staff liaison

- a) **Attendance:** Larry Anazia - District 1; Kirsha Haverlah – District 2; Alexis Taylor - District 3, Ivanna Neri- District 4; - Amy Noel- District 7;- Nathan Ryan- District 8; and ; Rachel Green – Mayor’s Appointee
- b) **Absent:** Preston Tom- District 5
- c) **Staff in Attendance:** Michelle Clemons and, Nydia Castillo

**2) CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:**

- a) No citizens signed up to speak.

**3) PRESENTATIONS AND Q&A**

- a) David Gray, Public Information and Marketing Manager for Economic Development Department, presented general information on COVID- 19 overview
- b) Xavier Zarate, Business Information Coordinator for Economic Development Department. Briefing on Austin Economic Injury Bridge Loan Program for small businesses.
  - i. The presentations addressed agenda items Small Business: Resolution from March 26, 2020 Agenda Item 88 and Creatives: Resolution from 4/9/2020

**4) WORKING GROUPS**

- a) Creation of Keep Austin Working Group- A, 1<sup>st</sup> by Commissioner Ivanna Neri, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kirsha Haverlah.
  - (i) Members: Nathan Ryan, Larry Anazia, Alexis Taylor, Ivanna Neri
- b) Creation of Working group B implantation of orders specific to job creation and construction of Keep Austin Working
  - Members: Amy Noel, Holt Lackey, Kirsha Haverlah

**5) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

- a) Reviewed [Keep Austin working document](#) for possible council recommendation.

- b) Discussed the Creatives: Resolution from 4/9/2020 Agenda Item 86 related to the use of the Live Music Fund for Emergency Assistance grants for musicians and implementation of the program.
- c) Discussed the SXSW Cancellation impact to the Austin Community – no insurance for cancelled event.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

- d) Meeting was adjourned at 5:19 pm
  - i) 1<sup>st</sup> by Commissioner Kirsha Haverlah , and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Amy Noel

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