

# JOINT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING June 24, 2020

The Joint Sustainability Committee convened in a special meeting on June 24, 2020 via videoconferencing.

Chair Kaiba White called the Board Meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

# **Board Members in Attendance:**

Kaiba White Chair, Nhat Ho, Fisayo Fadelu, Rob Schneider, Holt Lackey, Melissa Rothrock, Karen Magid, David Carroll, Alberta Phillips

# **Board Members Absent:**

Kelly Davis, Karen Hadden, Katie Coyne Vice-Chair

# **City Staff in Attendance:**

Zach Baumer, Phoebe Romero

# **CALL TO ORDER**

#### CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The speakers who registered in advance for public comment have three minutes each to address items on the agenda at this time.

• No citizen communication.

# 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) May 27, 2020 meeting of the Joint Sustainability Committee
  - Motion to approve (Commissioner Schneider), second (Commissioner Ho), 7 approved, 0 opposed, 1 abstained.

# 2. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Update on the Austin Community Climate Plan Revision (Discussion and/or possible action)
  - Update on schedule and overview of engagement process
  - Overview of how equity was evaluated
  - Overview of draft goals and strategies
- b) Community Resilience Trust (Discussion and/or possible action)
  - Organization started by Earth Day Austin board members Janis Bookout and Ruben Cantu to develop a community-driven, holistic response to the COVID-19 pandemic
  - Collaborating with organizations like Central Texas Allied Health Institute and Huston-Tillotson University to focus on removing silos within the response system and having a comprehensive, cross-sectional approach
  - Developing work plan to move forward with various focus areas including APD accountability, civic engagement, COVID-19 and disproportionately affected communities and food access.
- c) Commission members report back on any relevant discussions from their respective boards and commissions (Discussion and/or possible action)
  - None discussed

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

• None discussed

Motion to adjourn (Commissioner White).

Meeting adjourns at 2:32 pm.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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