

ARCDC Board Meeting

October 23, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. by Chairperson Dr. Courtney Robinson when the quorum was present.

Attendance

A.J. Bingham, James Burns, Dr. Courtney Robinson, Barry Franklin, Nelson Linder (Quincy Dunlap and Frances Jordan joined later)

Other attendees: Vanessa Silas, George Maldonado, Brian McCoy, Kimberly McNeeley, Mary Marrero, Liana Kallivoka, and Suzanne Piper.

Discussion

The meeting began with a discussion of new business and Mr. Maldonado's presentation regarding the theater and skating arena renovation project. Ms. Silas discussed background information on the development and design of the project by ASM to make the east end arena a live music venue to generate revenue. Mr. McCoy, who worked on the design, spoke about the background as well, and clarified that this is considered an equipment upgrade, not a renovation project. Kimberly McNeeley noted that while funding is available for this project, it cannot be transferred from the City of Austin to ARCDC because the agreement between the two is not yet in place; while ARCDC voted to approve the agreement, Austin City Council has requested additional performance measures.

Mr. Maldonado then discussed necessary ADA improvements on-site, mostly focused on the restrooms.

Discussion then moved to performance metrics in the agreement with the City of Austin, and how to advance the finalization of the agreement.

Mr. Dunlap discussed pending changes to the ARCDC Bylaws, including changes to the leadership structure. Mr. Dunlap agreed to circulate draft Bylaws to the other Board members following the meeting.

Dr. Robinson suggested postponing discussion of agenda items 5 and 6, as well as further discussion with respect to the City of Austin agreement, to next Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.