

# AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, via Videoconference.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

### COUNCIL ACTION ITEM

Approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20201117-002 ordering the December 15, 2020 runoff
election to repeal and replace Exhibits B, C, D, E, and F to adopt the locations of the election day
polling places; the list of election day presiding judges and alternate judges; the dates, hours, and
locations of the early voting places; the list of central counting station staff; and the list of early voting
ballot board members; and declaring an emergency.

Ordinance 20201201-001 was approved on Mayor Pro Tem Garza's motion, Council Member Casar's second on an 11-0 vote.

#### BRIEFINGS

- B1. Briefing on Covid-19 related matters. (Standing staff update)

  The presentation was made by Stephanie Hayden, Austin Public Health and Dr. Mark Escott, Medical Director.
- **B3.** Update regarding the revised Chapter 380 Guidelines and SAVES Guidelines. (Staff update related to agenda items).

The presentation was made by Rodney Gonzales, Assistant City Manager and Veronica Briseno, Economic Development Department Director.

Direction was given to staff to provide an estimate of the amount that can fund the 380. Direction was given to staff to provide information to council before the end of the year regarding the Austin Economic Development Corporation's (EDC) thoughts and/or suggestions on how the creative space bond funds will be leveraged, the EDC's ideas or thoughts on the South Central Waterfront; to include in a report the path of the interim EDC and how the team of consultants that have expertise with these bonds see us and the progress made and to provide council with the contract between the city and the ED on the creative space project.

Mayor Adler recessed the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Mayor Adler reconvened the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

E1. Discuss legal issues related to open government matters (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

WITHDRAWN

**E2.** Discuss legal issues related to the Fayette Power Project (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

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E3. Discuss real estate matters related to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property located at 1215 Red River and 606 East 12th, the former Health South tract (Real property - Section 551.072 of the Government Code).

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**E4.** Discuss legal issues related to the Austin Tourism Public Improvement District (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE DECEMBER 3, 2020 MEETING.

### COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mayor Adler introduced the agenda for the December 3, 2020 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

- 10. Approve a resolution amending the bylaws of the Austin Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) to include nominating entities for the AEDC Board of Directors. Strategic Outcome(s): Economic Opportunity and Affordability.
- 16. Approve a resolution initiating zoning and rezoning and necessary neighborhood plan amendments for properties owned by the University of Texas System known as the Brackenridge tracts, generally located along Lake Austin Boulevard west of Hearn Street, including Lions Municipal Golf Course; the Pickle Research Campus West, generally located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Braker Lane and North MoPac Expressway; the Gateway tract, generally located at 1624 West 6th Street; and the Sematech tract, generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of E Oltorf Street and Montopolis Drive. District(s) Affected: District 3, District 7, District 9, District 10. Strategic Outcome(s): Economic Opportunity and Affordability

Authorize the negotiation and execution of a lease agreement with an option to purchase with 3423 Holdings, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, for approximately 30,000 square feet of office space for the Downtown Austin Community Court, located at 1719 East 2nd Street, for a 120 month lease with one ten-year extension option, in an amount not to exceed \$21,562,500. District(s) Affected: District 3. Strategic Outcome(s): Government that Works for All.

A request to withdraw will be requested at the December 3, 2020 meeting.

## **BRIEFINGS CONTINUED**

**B2.** Briefing on the Health South Request for Proposal. (Staff update).

The presentation was made by Margaret Shaw, Economic Development Department.

A request to postpone item 40 to December 10, 2020 will be made at the December 3, 2020 meeting.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020 on Council Member Pool's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on a 11-0 vote.