



**URBAN RENEWAL BOARD OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN**  
**Monday, November 30, 2020**  
**VIA VIDEOCONFERENCING**  
**5:30 – 9:30 p.m.**

**Current Board Members:**

**Manuel Escobar, Chair**  
**Darrell W. Pierce, Vice Chair**  
**Danielle Skidmore**  
**Amit Motwani**

**Nathaniel Bradford**  
**Jacqueline Watson**  
**Kobla Tetey**

**Staff Members in Attendance:**

**Erica Leak -- Housing and Planning Department (HPD)**  
**Laura Keating (HPD)**  
**Mark Walters (HPD)**  
**Travis Perlman (HPD)**

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Commissioners primary responsibility is to oversee the implementation and compliance of approved Urban Renewal Plans that are adopted by the Austin City Council. An Urban Renewal Plan's primary purpose is to eliminate slum and blighting influence within a designated area of the city.

## **MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Escobar called the meeting to order at 5:35pm with 5 members present.**  
**Commissioners Bradford and Watson joined the meeting at 5:40pm.**

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL** Speakers signed up prior to the meeting will be called in order and will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns. This is the opportunity for speakers to address the Urban Renewal Board of the City of Austin (URB) on any issue. The URB may not debate any non-agenda issue, nor may any action be taken on any non-agenda issue at this time however the URB may present any factual response to items brought up by citizens.

Members of the public addressed the URB, including Tracy Witte, Thomas Van Dyke, Patrick Houck, and Nate Jones.

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of the October 19, 2020, Regular Meeting Minutes

*On Commissioner Skidmore's motion, Commissioner Motwani's second, the Monday, October 19, 2020, meeting minutes were approved on a 5-0-2 vote*

## 2. NEW BUSINESS

None

## 3. OLD BUSINESS

- b. Discussion and possible action on recommended modifications to the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan.

*Discussion was conducted, with Mark Walters (HPD) answering questions.*

- c. Discussion and possible action on recommended modifications to the East 11<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) to parallel the structure of the current East 12<sup>th</sup> Street NCCD.

*Discussion was conducted, with Mark Walters (HPD) answering questions.*

- d. Discussion and possible action on recommended modifications to the East 12<sup>th</sup> Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) to parallel the to-be-approved recommended modifications to the East 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Urban Renewal Plan.

*Discussion was conducted.*

## 4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- URB Vision Statement

## ADJOURNMENT

**Chair Escobar adjourned the meeting at 7:52pm without objection.**

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The Urban Renewal Board reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Governmental Code §§ 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation about Security Devices), 551.086 (Economic Development), and any other provision under Texas law that permits a governmental body to discuss a matter in a closed executive session. For more information on the Urban Renewal Board, please contact Laura Keating at 512.974.3458 or at [laura.keating@austintexas.gov](mailto:laura.keating@austintexas.gov).