



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (CDC)**  
**Special Called Meeting**  
**February 26, 2021 – 5:30pm - 9:30pm**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

<b>Amit Motwani, Chair</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Fisayo Fadelu</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Alberto Mejia</b> Dove Springs	<b>Julia Woods</b> South Austin
<b>Karen Paup, Vice Chair</b> Private Sector Appointee	<b>Kendra Garrett</b> St. John's	<b>Shavone Otero</b> Private Sector Appointee	<b>Raymond Young</b> Public Sector Appointee
<b>Bertha Delgado</b> East Austin	<b>Tandra Louie</b> North Austin	<b>Heidi Sloan</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>VACANT</b> Rosewood-Zaragosa/Blackland
<b>Joe Deshotel</b> Public Sector Appointee	<b>Madra Mays</b> Montopolis	<b>Michael Tolliver</b> Colony Park	

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Members Absent:

Fisayo Fadelu  
Tandra Louie  
Alberto Mejia  
Shavone Otero  
Madra Mays

Staff Members in Attendance:

Erica Leak  
Angel Zambrano  
Jesse Gutierrez  
Lisa G. Rodriguez

## CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Motwani called the meeting to order at 5:51pm with 9 members present.**

### **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 10 speakers signed up by noon the day prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda. Speakers signed up to address specific items on the agenda may also be called upon to speak at this time.

*No members of the public signed up to speak.*

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

Discussion and possible action on the January 12, 2021, Community Development Commission meeting minutes

*This item was tabled until a future meeting due to time constraints.*

#### **2. COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)**

Briefing and discussion on the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) (Angel Zambrano, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Austin Public Health)

*Angel Zambrano briefed the board.*

#### **3. NEW BUSINES**

a) Briefing from DAWA Heals (Jonathan “Chaka” Mahone, DAWA Fund representative)

*This item was postponed until a future meeting.*

b) Briefing on Family Independence Initiative (Ivanna Neri, Partnership Director, Family Independence Initiative)

*This item was postponed until a future meeting.*

c) Briefing on Austin Energy Plus 1 Program (Drema Gross, Director, Customer Services Management, Austin Energy)

*Drema Gross briefed the CDC.*

d) Discussion and possible action on a recommendation related to basic needs and critical utility (and other) services for residents of Austin's disadvantaged communities in light of the crisis brought on by winter storm Uri (CDC member discussion)

*Discussion was held regarding a draft recommendation for a future meeting.*

- e) Internal discussion and possible action on vaccination effort (CDC member discussion)

*Discussion was held regarding suggestions for a draft recommendation for a future meeting.*

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS**

Election of a CDC member to the Austin Transit Partnership Community Advisory Committee (ATP CAC)

*On Commissioner Sloan's nomination, Commissioner Young's second, Commissioner Mejia was unanimously selected to serve on the ATP CAC. Commissioner Sloan volunteered to serve as an alternate if Commissioner Mejia has future unforeseen conflicts with the ATP CAC meetings.*

#### **5. WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

- a) Monthly update, discussion and possible action on items brought forward by the Working Group on Economic Independence and Funding for Families in Need (Commissioners Delgado and Mejia)

*There was no new activity to report on this item.*

- b) Monthly update, discussion and possible action on a draft recommendation from the Working Group on Reimagining Public Safety and Policing (Commissioner Deshotel)

*There was no new activity to report on this item.*

#### **6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- *Briefing on the Go Repair! Program regarding winter storm Uri*
- *Equity Office engagement strategies*
- *Monthly updates from the ATP CAC*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Motwani adjourned the meeting at 7:38pm without objections.**