



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL HOUSING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

Council Members in Attendance:

Gregorio Casar, Chair
Paige Ellis, Vice Chair
Ann Kitchen
Sabino “Pio” Renteria
Natasha Harper-Madison
Allison Alter
Steve Adler

CALL TO ORDER

The Council Housing and Planning Committee convened in a regular meeting on September 8, 2020 via Videoconference.

Chair Casar called the Committee meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

No minutes were approved.

Briefing

2. Briefing and discussion on emergency housing resources and policies for residents impacted by the COVID-19 local disaster and the City’s housing strategy related to the COVID-19 disaster

Nefertitti Jackmon, Policy, Planning and Outreach Manager with Neighborhood Housing and Community Development provided a presentation on the RENT assistance program, tenant stabilization services, marketing and outreach strategy, applicant data, program enhancements and answered questions from Council Members.

3. Briefing on the City’s residential affordable housing development bonus program commonly referred to as “Affordability Unlocked”

Alex Radke, Planner Senior with Neighborhood Housing and Community Development provided a presentation on the “Affordability Unlocked” affordable housing development bonus program including program requirements, process, and project pipeline.

Cynthia Herrera, Executive Director with Projects Transitions provided information on her organization’s experience with “Affordability Unlocked.”

Rachel Stone, Assistance Director with Guadalupe Neighborhood Development Corporation provided information on her organization’s experience with “Affordability Unlocked.”

Walter Moreau, Executive Director with Foundation Communities provided information on his organization’s experience with “Affordability Unlocked.”

Conor Kenny, Director of Public Affairs with Civilitude provided some recommendations about “Affordability Unlocked.”

Staff and guest speakers answered questions from Council Members.

5. Briefing on new online mapping tool that shows how Austin’s affordable housing relates to current and planned public transportation.

Mandy DeMayo, Community Development Administrator with Neighborhood Housing and Community Development provided an overview and background on the online mapping tool.

Sam Tedford, Planner Principal with Neighborhood Housing and Community Development demonstrated the online mapping tool showing how Austin’s affordable housing relates to current and planned public transportation.

Mandy DeMayo and Sam Tedford answered questions from Council Members.

Future Items

4. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.

No items identified at this time.

ADJOURN

Chair Casar adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on the 11th day of March 2021 on Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison’s motion to approve and Council Member Renteria’s second on a 5-0 vote.