



**DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 5:30 PM
VIA REMOTE WebEx**

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: **Chair D. Carroll at 5:41 p.m.**

Member List

<u> X </u>	David Carroll – Chair (District 1)	<u> X </u>	Beau Frail (District 6)
<u> </u>	Melissa Hanao-Robledo – Vice-Chair (District 5)	<u> X </u>	Jessica Rollason (District 7)
<u> X </u>	Martha Gonzalez – (District 2)	<u> X </u>	Aan Coleman (District 8)
<u> </u>	Samuel Franco (District 3)	<u> X </u>	Bart Whatley (District 9)
<u> </u>	Josue Meiners (District 4)	<u> X </u>	Ben Luckens (District 10)
<u> X </u>	Evan Taniguchi (Mayor)		

"X" Denote Commission Members who were in attendance

CITY OF AUSTIN HOUSING AND PLANNING STAFF

 X Jorge E. Rousselin, Executive Liaison
 X Aaron D. Jenkins, Staff Liaison
 X Art Zamorano, Staff Liaison

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: **None.**

1. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):

- a. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the **Fiesta Gardens Complex Rehabilitation**, addressed at 2101 Jesse E. Segovia Street, complies with the Urban Design Guidelines, for the City of Austin. [Marc Toppel](#) Clayton Korte; [Glen Frey](#) Jose I Guerra, Inc.;
- Marc Toppel, Clayton Korte and Ellen Colfax COA/PARD presented and answered questions from the Commissioners.

No Action was taken, however a written list of recommendations was provided to the applicant.

- b. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the Dougherty Arts Center Project, addressed at Butler Shores Park, 200 S. Lamar, complies with the Urban Design Guidelines, for the City of Austin. [Laura Gass](#) Square One Consultants; [Robert Byrnes](#) Studio 8 Architects; [Barbara Austin](#) RVi Landscape Architects; [Kevin Johnson](#) City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department.
- *Commissioner E. Taniguchi* recused himself from Item 1b and then returned to participate in discussion after the project was presented.
 - Robert Byrnes, Studio 8 Architects and Kevin Johnson COA/PARD presented and answered questions from the Commissioners.
 - *Commissioner A. Coleman* made a motion for more consideration and emphasis is made toward option 1a, to create a denser building footprint, better relationship to the street scape, and keeping the beach front more accessible to all Austinites. Commissioner J. Rollason seconded.
 - *Commissioner B. Frail* provided a friendly amendment that option 1a or 1b be recommended by the Design Commission with preference to Option 1a. Commissioner J. Rollason does not accept the friendly amendment.
 - **The motion failed [4 ayes, 2 nays, 2 abstain]**
 - *Commissioner J. Rollason* made a motion to support the project, with the recommendation that it applies tactics to mitigate that it is a space for cars and not people. These elements can be displayed using surface treatment, better street design, and eliminating the roundabout in place of more creative solutions. *Commissioner M. Gonzales* seconded.
 - *Commissioner A. Coleman* offered a friendly amendment for the project team to look at the vehicular bifurcation of the open space and other options to make it more contiguous and prioritize pedestrian and open park space. This amendment was accepted.

The motion was approved [6 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstain]

2. **COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and possible action):**

- a. Approval of **December 21st** meeting minutes.
- Commissioner B. Frail made a motion to approve the December 21st meeting minutes. Commissioner A. Coleman seconded.

The Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes were approved [8 ayes, 0 nays]

- b. Update from representation on the Downtown Commission regarding last meeting.
 - Vice Chair Haneo-Robledo was not present; therefore, no update was given.
- c. Update from representative on the Joint Sustainability committee regarding last meeting.
 - Chair Carroll was unable to attend due to meeting conflict; therefore, no update was given.
- d. Update from representative on the South-Central Waterfront Advisory Board.
 - Commissioner S. Franco was not present; therefore, no update was given.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair Announcements: **None.**
- b. Items from Commission Members: Commissioner E. Taniguchi asked for assistance on the UD Guidelines rewrite.
- c. Items from City Staff: **None.**

ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 8:47 PM.