

Briefing on Urban Renewal Agency East 11th Street Development Opportunities

Community Development Commission

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**HOUSING &
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Topics for Discussion

- Urban Renewal Agency
- East 11th Street Development Opportunities
- Process & Timeline
- Potential Development Priorities
- Opportunities to Engage

Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Austin

- Authorized by Texas Local Government Code Chapter 374
- URA of City of Austin created by City Council in 1959
- URA involved in some of the redevelopment activity on East 11th Street
- Board includes 7 members:
 - Manuel Escobar (Chair)
 - Darrell Pierce (Vice Chair)
 - Jacqueline Watson
 - Amit Motwani
 - Kobla Tetey
 - Nathaniel Bradford
 - Danielle Skidmore

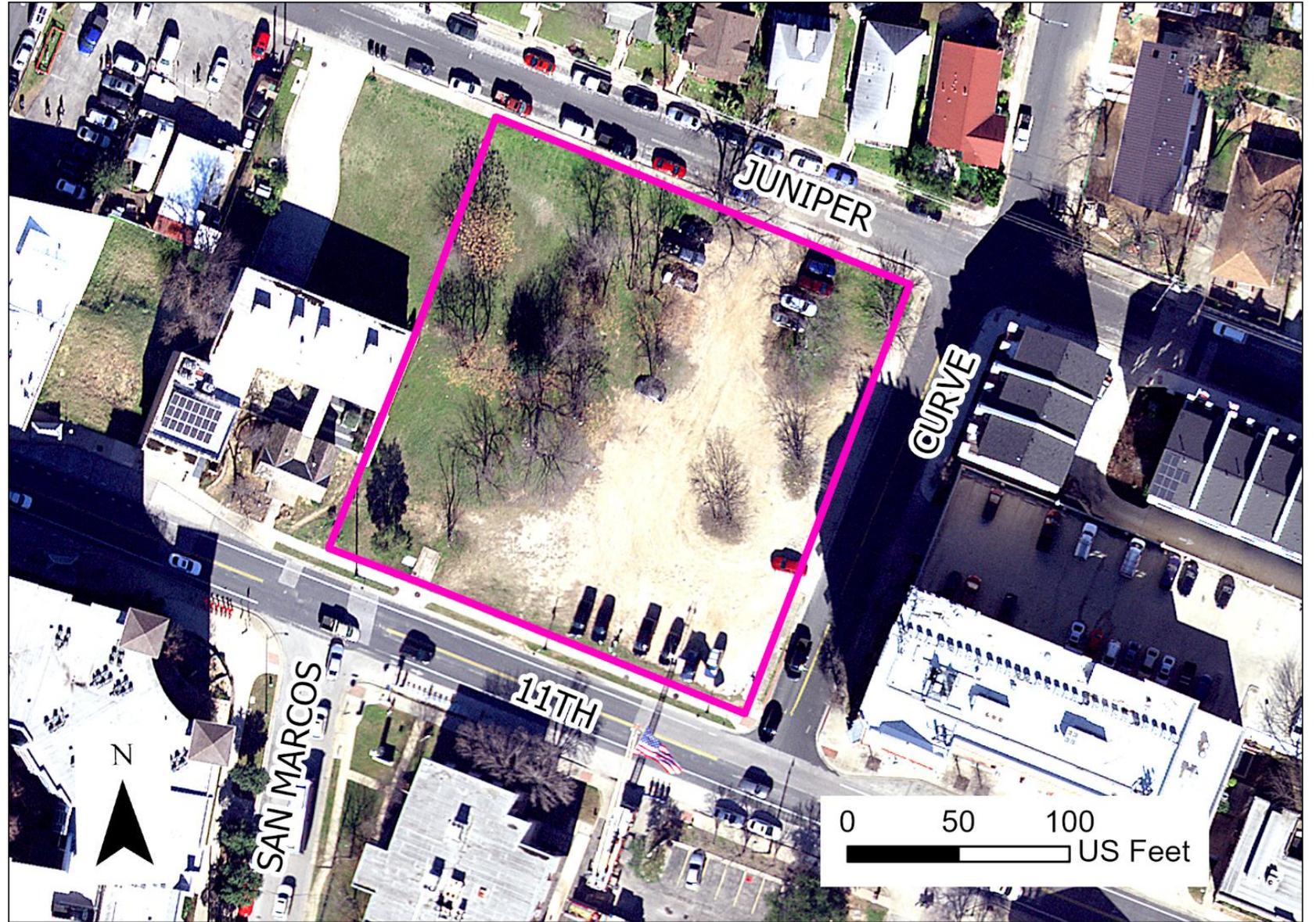


East 11th Street Development Opportunities

- URA owns two remaining parcels referred to as Block 16 & Block 18 fronting East 11th Street
- URA & City will be hosting public meetings this Summer to discuss the projects and gather public feedback

Block 16

- 0.96 acres
- 2 blocks east of I-35
- Adjacent to African American Cultural & Heritage Facility

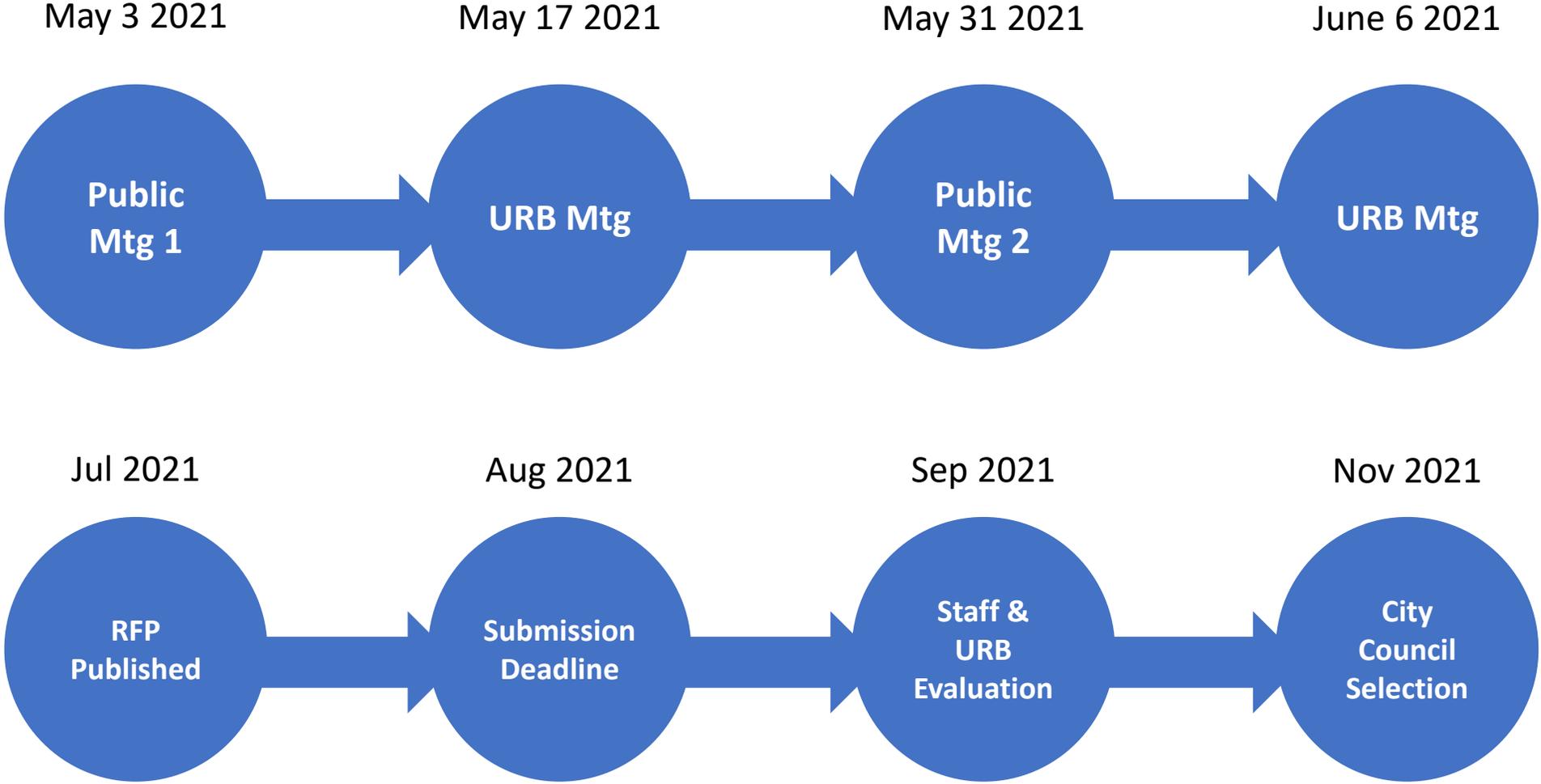


Block 18

- 1.09 acres
- 3 blocks east of I-35
- Adjacent to Victory Grill
- Currently operated as Kenny Dorham's Backyard



Timeline & Process



Proposed Development Priorities

- Development Priorities for the properties previously discussed by URB as a result of public engagement in early 2019.
 1. Affordable Housing – at least 25% of dwelling units shall be made affordable to households earning no more than 60% & 80% MFI, for rental and ownership housing respectively
 2. Community Parking - Incorporate additional off-street parking for adjacent neighborhood businesses
 3. Complimentary Uses - Incorporate uses that complement the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility on Block 16 & Victory Grill on Block 18
 4. Vendor Preference - Prioritize development partners who are, or go above and beyond to partner with MBE/WBE vendors
 5. Sustainability – Prioritize Proposals that incorporate AE 2-star Green Building Standards
 6. Design – Prioritize Proposals that use creative design to complement adjacent development and help to activate pedestrian oriented uses along the corridor



Ways to Engage

- Reach out to provide initial feedback or get your email on the list to receive public meeting invitations:

housingdevelopment@austintexas.gov

- Project website address to be provided to CDC staff liaison
- Share the opportunity with friends and family
- Attend the meetings this Summer