

AUSTIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021

The Austin Economic Development Corporation (AECD) convened in a regular meeting Monday, April 12, 2021 via virtual videoconferencing.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Truelove called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Rosie Truelove, Chair Sylnovia Holt-Rabb, Secretary Veronica Briseño, President Ed Van Eenoo, Board Member Kellee Coleman, Board Member Jaime Castillo, Board Member Tamara Atkinson, Board Member Dr. Char Hu, Board Member Diana Maldonado, Board Member Matias Segura, Board Member Sharmila Mukherjee, Board Member

Bradford Patterson, Board Member Xavier Peña, Board Member Stephen Levy, Board Member David Steinwedell, Board Member Emmett S. Beliveau, Board Member Jeremy Martin, Board Member Awais Azhar, Board Member Suchitra Gururaj, Board Member Cathy McHorse, Board Member Dr. Molly Beth Malcolm, Board Member

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

No citizens were signed up to speak.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 8, 2021 were approved on Board Member Castillo's motion, seconded by Secretary Holt-Rabb, on a 17-0 vote.

2. NEW BOARD ORIENTATION

Board President Briseño, Acting AEDC Chief Operating Officer David Colligan and Matthew Kwatinetz, QBL Partners provided an orientation session for board members to review history of EDC's and background on the creation of AEDC, the work to date for the organization's development of governance, administrative features, the status of priority projects, the expected role and participation of board and staff, the organization's legal requirements and ethics policy, and communications protocols.

3. NEW BUSINESS

For discussion and possible action regarding the following:

- **a.** Report and discussion from the President and CEO including an update on governance and administrative development of the organization, an update on priority projects and a review of upcoming public events or meetings.
 - President Briseño provided a report, no action was taken.
- **b.** Financial report reviewing the balance and project balance of the organization's budget from the President and CEO.
 - President Briseño provided a report, no action was taken.
- **c.** Approve the recommendation from staff to appoint Xavier Peña, Sharmila Mukherjee, and David Steinwedell to the three remaining seats of the Executive Committee.
 - Board Member Castillo motioned to approve staff's recommendation of all nominations with Board Member Patterson's second on a vote of 20-0.
- **d.** Approve the recommendation from staff to appoint Xavier Peña as the Vice President of the AEDC Board.
 - Board Member Castillo motioned to approve the Vice President nomination with Board Member Mukherjee's second on a vote of 20-0.
- e. Review and consider approval of Ethics, Conflicts and Nondisclosure Policy recommended by Staff.
 - Board Member Awais motioned to approve the AEDC Ethics, Conflicts and Nondisclosure Policy with Secretary Holt-Rabb's second on a vote of 20-0.
- **f.** Presentation and discussion of AEDC Board of items on the April 22nd and May 6th Austin Council Meeting Agenda for action:
 - i. April 22nd: Replacement of Jaime Castillo with Carl Settles on the AEDC Board
 - ii. May 6th:
 - a. Interlocal Agreement
 - b. Budget Amendments for projects outlined in Interlocal Agreement
 - The Board received a presentation from City's outside legal counsel. No action was taken.
- **g.** Recommendation from staff proposing equity training for all board and executive staff with discussion related to scheduling possible sessions through the end of the calendar year.

The Board requested that staff return with more information and a recommendation for training.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Affordable Housing
- AEDC Work and COA Recovery

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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