

# AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021 at City Hall.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. Council Member Alter was absent.

### **BRIEFINGS**

- B1. I-35 Capital Express Central Update from Texas Department of Transportation.
  Presentation was given by Gina Fiandaca, Assistant City Manager and Tucker Ferguson,
  District Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation.
- B2. City of Austin Goals for the I-35 Project.
   Presentation was given by Rob Spiller, Director, Transportation Department.

The Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 1:13 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

**E1.** Consider compensation and benefits for the City Clerk (Personnel matters – Section 551.074 of the Government Code).

Withdrawn

**E2.** Consider compensation and benefits for the City Auditor (Personnel matters – Section 551.074 of the Government Code).

Withdrawn

**E3.** Consider compensation and benefits for the Municipal Court Clerk (Personnel matters – Section 551.074 of the Government Code).

Withdrawn

- E4. Discuss legal issues related to Brenda Ramos et al v. City of Austin et al, Cause No. 1:20-cv-01256-RP in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
  Conducted
- **E5.** Discuss legal issues involved with lawsuits and claims related to Austin Police Department during the protests that occurred on May 30 and 31, 2020 (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Conducted

Executive Session ended and the Mayor reconvened the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

#### COUNCIL DISCUSSION

**D1.** Council Meeting Procedures.

Direction was given to staff to provide a memo detailing options and resources needed to allow members of the public to participate in meetings remotely as well sign up to speak online in advance.

## **COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

54. Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance adopting the twelfth modification to the Urban Renewal Plan for the East 11th and 12th Streets Urban Renewal Area to align with proposed amendments to the East 11th and 12th Street Neighborhood Conservation Combining Districts. Related to Item 60 and 61. District(s) Affected: District 1. Strategic Outcome(s): Economic Opportunity and Affordability.

Presentation was given by Erika Leak, Laura Keating, Senior Planner, Housing and Planning Department.

C14-2021-0033 - East 11th Street NCCD Amendment - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as the East 11th Street NCCD, within the boundaries of IH-35 Northbound frontage road between East 12th Street and the northern alley of East 7th Street; East 11th Street from IH-35 to Navasota Street; Juniper Street between Branch Street and Navasota Street; Rosewood Avenue between Navasota Street and the eastern property line of 1314 Rosewood Avenue; and a segment of San Bernard Street) (Lady Bird Lake Watershed and Waller Creek Watershed). Applicant's request: To rezone property within the boundaries of the East 11th Street NCCD to amend allowable building heights, floor-to-area ratios (FAR), impervious cover maximums, permitted uses, uses permitted with additional conditions, and conditional uses. The proposed changes will not change any base zoning districts within the NCCD. Staff Recommendation and Planning Commission Recommendation: To amend allowable building heights, floor-to-area ratios (FAR), impervious cover maximums, permitted uses, uses permitted with additional conditions, and conditional uses. Agent: City of Austin, Housing and

Planning Department. This is a City of Austin initiated zoning change. City Staff: Mark Walters, 512-974-7695. District(s) Affected: District 1.

Presentation was given by Erika Leak, Laura Keating, Senior Planner, Housing and Planning Department.

C14-2021-0037 - East 12th Street NCCD Amendment - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as the East 12th Street NCCD, within the boundaries of the north side of East 12th Street between the IH-35 North frontage road and Poquito Street and the south side of East 12th Street between Branch Street and Poquito Street. (Lady Bird Lake Watershed and Waller Creek Watershed). Applicant's Request: To rezone property within the boundaries of the East 12th Street NCCD to amend allowable building heights, floor-to-area ratios (FAR), impervious cover maximums, permitted uses, uses permitted with additional conditions, and conditional uses. The proposed changes will not change any base zoning districts within the NCCD. Staff Recommendation and Planning Commission Recommendation: To amend allowable building heights, floor-to-area ratios (FAR), impervious cover maximums, permitted uses, uses permitted with additional conditions, and conditional uses. Agent: City of Austin, Housing and Planning Department. This is a City of Austin initiated zoning change. City Staff: Mark Walters, 512-974-7695. District(s) Affected: District 1.

Presentation was given by Erika Leak, Laura Keating, Senior Planner, Housing and Planning Department.

13. Authorize negotiation and execution of a creative content incentive agreement with Eye Productions Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$213,910. Strategic Outcome(s): Economic Opportunity and Affordability.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021 on Council Member Kitchen's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on a 11-0 vote.