



URBAN RENEWAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
September 20, 2021 AT 6:00PM
1000 East 11th Street, Room 400A

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Manuel Escobar, Chair
Darrell W. Pierce, Vice Chair
Danielle Skidmore
Amit Motwani

Nathaniel Bradford
Jacqueline Watson
Kobla Tetey

Members in Attendance Manuel Escobar Darrell W. Pierce, Vice Chair Amit Motwani Kobla Tetey Jacqueline Watson Danielle Skidmore	Staff in Attendance Erica Leak Travis Perlman Nefertitti Jackmon Laura Keating Megan Santee, URB legal counsel
Members Absent Nathaniel Bradford	

PURPOSE: The Board of Commissioners primary responsibility is to oversee the implementation and compliance of approved Urban Renewal Plans that are adopted by the Austin City Council. An Urban Renewal Plan's primary purpose is to eliminate slum and blighting influence within a designated area of the city.

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Escobar called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm called to order with 5 members present. Commissioner Tetey joined the meeting at 6:09 pm.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Speakers who register to speak no later than noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding agenda items and items not posted on the agenda.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the August 16, 2021, Regular Called Meeting Minutes.

Draft minutes were not posted in backup. Item postponed.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Presentation from City staff on the status of the Urban Renewal Plan and Neighborhood Conservation Combining District amendments and discussion.

Laura Keating presented, and discussion occurred.

- b. Presentation from City staff regarding Council resolution approved September 2, 2021, item 48, related to the African American Cultural Arts District and Urban Renewal Agency owned property and discussion.

Laura Keating presented, and discussion occurred.

- c. Discussion and possible action to approve an amendment extending the license agreement between the Urban Renewal Agency and DiverseArts Cultural Works.

Harold McMillan and Travis Perlman addressed the Board and discussion occurred. On Vice Chair Pierce's motion, Commissioner Watson's second, the extension of the license agreement was approved unanimously.

- d. Staff update on the status of agreement between the Urban Renewal Agency and the City of Austin and discussion.

Laura Keating presented, and discussion occurred.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Presentation, discussion, and possible action from the Austin Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) and City staff regarding an approach to the property disposition of Urban Renewal Agency owned property (1100 E 11th St and 920 E 11th St)

Anne Gatling Haynes with AEDC presented, and discussion occurred. No action was taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Escobar adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm without objection.

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