



## DESIGN COMMISSION

Monday, November 15, 2021 6:00 PM  
Austin Energy Headquarters, Assembly Room  
4815 Mueller Blvd, Austin, Texas 78723

### Meeting Minutes

Call to order by: **Chair D. Carroll** at 6:07 p.m.

#### Member List

<u>X</u>	David Carroll – Chair (District 1)	<u>X</u>	Melissa Hanao-Robledo (District 5)
<u>X</u>	Jessica Rollason – Vice-Chair (District 7)	<u>X</u>	Jen Weaver (District 6)
<u>      </u>	Vacant (District 2)	<u>X</u>	Aan Coleman (District 8)
<u>      </u>	Samuel Franco (District 3)	<u>X</u>	Bart Whatley (District 9)
<u>X</u>	Josue Meiners (District 4)	<u>      </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):

**6:20 PM Commissioner J. Rollason joined the meeting**

**6:35 PM Commissioner E. Taniguchi joined the meeting.**

- Staff Briefing related to the Downtown Density Bonus Program, to be presented by [Sam Tedford](#) and [Alex Radke](#)— City of Austin Housing and Planning Department.
  - Sam Tedford City of Austin Housing and Planning Department presented and addressed questions.

- b. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **City of Austin New EMS/Fire Station**, located at the intersection of Lop 360 and Westlake Drive, complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin; [Cris Ruebush](#) PGAL
- [Cris Ruebush](#) PGAL presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner B. Whatley** made a motion to approve the project as it substantially complies with the Urban Design Guidelines **Commissioner J. Rollason seconded.**
  - **The motion was approved [8 ayes, 0 nays]**
- c. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **City of Austin Central EMS Fire EMS Station**, located at 401 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin; [Rob Robbins](#) West East Design Group
- [Rob Robbins](#) West East Design Group presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo** made a motion to approve the project as it complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards **Commissioner B. Whatley seconded.**
  - **The motion was approved [7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 Recuse (A. Coleman)]**
- d. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **City of Austin Fire Station 22 EMS 12**, located at 5309 E. Riverside Drive, complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin: [Rob Robbins](#) West East Design Group
- [Rob Robbins](#) West East Design Group presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner J. Rollason** made a motion to approve the project as it complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards **Commissioner E. Taniguchi seconded.**
  - **The motion was approved [7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 Recuse (A. Coleman)]**
- e. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **City of Austin Fire Station 3**, located at 201 W. 30<sup>th</sup> Street, complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin; [Rob Robbins](#) West East Design Group
- [Rob Robbins](#) West East Design Group presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner B. Whatley** made a motion to approve the project as it complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards **Commissioner J. Rollason seconded.**

- **The motion was approved [7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 Recuse (A. Coleman)]**
  - **Commissioner E. Taniguchi** made a motion for the Design Commission to go past 10:00 pm, **Commissioner J. Rollason** seconded.
  - **The motion was approved [8 ayes, 0 nays]**
- f. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **City of Austin-Bergstrom International Airport AUS Cargo Development East** located at 9402 Freight Lane, complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin; [David Smythe-Macaulay](#) Austin-Bergstrom International Airport
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
- g. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether the **Zilker Metro Park - Barton Springs Bathhouse Rehabilitation** located at 2100 Barton Springs Drive, complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards, for the City of Austin; [Ellen Colfax](#) City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department; [Laurie Limbacher](#) Limebacher Godfrey Architects
- [Ellen Colfax](#) City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department; [Laurie Limbacher](#) Limebacher Godfrey Architects presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner J. Rollason** made a motion to approve the project as it complies with the City Design and Sustainability Standards **Commissioner J. Meiners seconded.**
  - **The motion was approved [8 ayes, 0 nays]**
- h. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **4<sup>th</sup> and Brazos**, located at 204-208 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the city of Austin; [Chi Lee](#) Perkins+ Will, [Amanda Surman](#) Armbrust & Brown, [Richard Shuttle](#) Armbrust & Brown
- **Chi Lee** Perkins+ Will, **Justin Gesch** (Michael Hsu Office of Architecture) and **Brett Keese** (Ten Eyck Landscape Architects) presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner J. Rollason** made a motion to approve the project as it substantially complies with the Urban Design Guidelines **Commissioner E. Taniguchi seconded.**
  - **The motion was approved [8 ayes, 0 nays]**
- i. Discussion and possible action to evaluate and make recommendations regarding whether **415 Colorado**, located at 415 Colorado Street, complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the city of Austin; [Michele Lynch](#) Metcalfe Wolff Stuart and Williams, [Axel Weisheit](#) Ziegler Cooper Architects, [Matt Klein](#) TBG Partners.

- **Michele Lynch** Metcalfe Wolff Stuart and Williams, **Axel Weisheit** Ziegler Cooper Architects, **Matt Klein** TBG Partners presented and addressed questions.
  - **Commissioner A. Coleman** made a motion to approve the project as it substantially complies with the Urban Design Guidelines. **Commissioner J. Weaver** seconded.
  - **Commissioner B. Whatley** requested a friendly amendment to include comments from **Commission A. Coleman** and **Commissioner J. Rollason**.
    - **Commissioner A. Coleman** amended the motion to approve the project as it substantially complies with the Urban Design Guidelines with additional pavement design extending to the food court area, add seating options between the two column bays adjacent to outdoor food kiosk area for better connection and street activation, public restroom access, and a coffee kiosk in the lobby area. **Commissioner J. Weaver seconded** the amendment.
  - **The motion failed [ 5 ayes, 2 nays, 1 abstain]**
  - **Commissioner A. Coleman** made motion to approve the project as it substantially complies with the Urban Design Guidelines with the following caveats, that the paving pattern is extended under the outdoor kiosk area, that the two niche pocket areas are added between the columns along the streetscape for outdoor seating and dining to encourage more continuity of that use along the streetscape, access to public restrooms through the lobby and a coffee kiosk or something similar in the lobby to encourage activation by residents during certain times of the day with a follow up memo. **Commissioner J. Rollason** seconded.
  - **The motion was approved [ 6 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstain]**
2. COMMISSION-SPECIFIC BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action):
- a. Approval of the August 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes
    - **Commissioner J. Rollason** made a motion to approve the August 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes **Commissioner J. Meiners seconded**.
    - **The motion was approved [ 8 ayes, 0 nays]**
  - b. Discussion and Possible action on the 2022 Design Commission Schedule
    - **Commissioner A. Coleman** made a motion to approve the 2022 Design Commission Schedule **Commissioner J. Meiners seconded**.
    - **The motion was approved [ 8 ayes, 0 nays]**
  - c. Discussion and Possible Action on recent Council approval to update the Urban Design Guidelines

- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
- d. Appointment of Commission Member to the Downtown Commission
- **Commissioner A. Coleman** made a motion to appoint **Commissioner J. Weaver** to the Downtown Commission. **Commissioner M. Haneo-Robledo seconded.**
  - **The motion was approved [ 8 ayes, 0 nays]**
- e. Update from representation on the Downtown Commission regarding last meeting
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
- f. Update from representative on the Joint Sustainability committee regarding last meeting
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
- g. Update from representative on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board.
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- a. Chair Announcements:
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
- b. Items from Commission Members:
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**
- c. Items from City Staff:
- **This item has been postponed to the December 13<sup>th</sup> Design Commission meeting.**

**ADJOURNMENT by consensus at: 10:09 PM.**