



**PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

November 17, 2021

The Planning Commission convened in a meeting on November 17, 2021 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas and via videoconference @ <http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live>

Chair Shaw called the Commission Meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

**Awais Azhar
Grayson Cox
Yvette Flores
Claire Hempel – Vice-Chair
Robert Schneider
James Shieh
Todd Shaw – Chair
Jeffrey Thompson**

Jessica Cohen – Ex-Officio

Absent:

**Joao Paulo Connolly
Patrick Howard
Jennifer Mushtaler
Solveij Rosa Praxis
Carmen Llanes Pulido**

**Arati Singh – Ex-Officio
Richard Mendoza – Ex-Officio**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The first four (4) speakers signed up prior to the commencement of the meeting will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of November 9, 2021.

Motion to approve minutes of November 9, 2021 was approved on the consent agenda on the motion by Commissioner Shieh, seconded by Commissioner Schneider on a vote of 8-0. Commissioners Connolly, Howard, Mushtaler, Praxis and Llanes Pulido absent.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Plan Amendment:** [NPA-2021-0011.02 - Amaya Building Project; District 4](#)
Location: 5804 North Interstate 35 Hwy SB, Tannehill Branch Creek Watershed; North Loop NP Area
Owner/Applicant: Roberto Amaya AKA R. Felix, Inc.
Agent: Candelario Moreno
Request: Commercial to Mixed Use land use
Staff Rec.: **Recommended**
Staff: Maureen Meredith, (512) 974-2695, maureen.meredith@austintexas.gov
Housing and Planning Department

Public Hearing closed.

Motion to grant Staff's recommendation of Mixed Use land use for NPA-2021-0011.02 - Amaya Building Project located at 5804 North Interstate 35 Hwy SB was approved on the consent agenda on the motion by Commissioner Shieh, seconded by Commissioner Schneider on a vote of 8-0. Commissioners Connolly, Howard, Mushtaler, Praxis and Llanes Pulido absent.

2. **Rezoning:** [C14-2021-0162 - Amaya's Building Project; District 4](#)
Location: 5804 N IH 35 SVRD SB, Tannehill Branch Creek Watershed; North Loop NP Area
Owner/Applicant: Roberto C Amaya, INC
Agent: Moreno Development Services (Candelario Moreno)
Request: CS-CO-NP to CS-MU-CO-NP
Staff Rec.: **Recommended**
Staff: Kate Clark, 512-974-1237, kate.clark@austintexas.gov
Housing and Planning Department

Public Hearing closed.

Motion to grant Staff's recommendation of CS-MU-CO-NP combining district zoning for C14-2021-0162 - Amaya's Building Project located at 5804 North Interstate 35 Hwy SB was approved on the consent agenda on the motion by Commissioner Shieh, seconded by Commissioner Schneider on a vote of 8-0.

Commissioners Connolly, Howard, Mushtaler, Praxis and Llanes Pulido absent.

- 3. Rezoning:** [C14-2021-0153 - Chalmers Avenue Redevelopment; District 3](#)
Location: 1701 E 3rd Street and 207 Chalmers Avenue, Lady Bird Lake Watershed; East Cesar Chavez NP Area
Owner/Applicant: Emerald Grove Properties, LLC (Carl Forsythe)
Agent: Alice Glasco Consulting (Alice Glasco)
Request: GR-MU-CO-NP to CS-MU-CO-NP
Staff Rec.: **Recommended**
Staff: Heather Chaffin, 512-974-2122, heather.chaffin@austintexas.gov
Housing and Planning Department

Public Hearing closed.

Motion to grant Staff's recommendation of CS-MU-CO-NP combining district zoning for C14-2021-0153 - Chalmers Avenue Redevelopment located at 1701 E 3rd Street and 207 Chalmers Avenue was approved on the consent agenda on the motion by Commissioner Shieh, seconded by Commissioner Schneider on a vote of 8-0. Commissioners Connolly, Howard, Mushtaler, Praxis and Llanes Pulido absent.

C. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

1. Discussion and possible action to adopt a resolution regarding the Office of the City Clerk acceptance of the Planning Commission 2022 Meeting Schedule. (Co-Sponsors Chair Shaw and Vice-Chair Hempel)

Resolution was adopted on the motion by Commissioner Shieh, seconded by Commissioner Schneider on a vote of 8-0. Commissioners Connolly, Howard, Mushtaler, Praxis and Llanes Pulido absent.

2. Discussion and possible action to select members to speak on behalf of the Planning Commission at the Audit and Finance Committee meeting regarding Bylaws amendments. (Co-Sponsors Chair Shaw and Vice-Chair Hempel)

Motion to grant membership to speak at Audit and Finance granted on the motion by Commissioner Shieh, seconded by Commissioner Schneider on a vote of 8-0. Commissioners Connolly, Howard, Mushtaler, Praxis and Llanes Pulido absent.

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Future agenda items will not be discussed at the current meeting, but will be offered for initiation, discussion or possible recommendation at a future meeting.

E. BOARDS, COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS UPDATES

[Codes and Ordinances Joint Committee](#)

(Chair Shaw, Vice-Chair Hempel and Commissioners: Azhar and Connolly)

No report provided.

[Comprehensive Plan Joint Committee](#)

(Commissioners: Cox, Flores, Llanes Pulido and Schneider)

No report provided.

[Joint Sustainability Committee](#)

(Commissioners Praxis and Schneider *alternate*)

No report provided.

[Small Area Planning Joint Committee](#)

(Commissioners: Howard, Mushtaler, Thompson and Shieh)

No report provided.

[South Central Waterfront Advisory Board](#)

(Commissioner Thompson)

No report provided.

Mobility and Transportation Working Group

(Commissioners: Azhar, Cox, Thompson, Schneider, Shieh, Llanes Pulido)

No report provided.

Chair Shaw adjourned the meeting without objection on Tuesday, November 17, 2021 at 4:26 p.m.

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