

## MUSIC COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20210913-3a

Date: September 13, 2021

Subject: Vote in support of Austin Opera House re-zoning

Motioned By: Graham Reynolds

Seconded By: Scott Strickland

## Recommendation

The Music Commission votes in support of the rezoning case by Richard Weiss of the Austin Opera House.

## **Description of Recommendation to Council**

The Music Commission supports base zoning and removal of a conditional overlay for the Austin Opera House parcel on Academy Dr. so that redevelopment can proceed with the inclusion of a midsize music venue, recording studio, housing, and green space.

## Rationale:

Rising real estate costs and development trends threaten the availability of performance space, industry infrastructure, and affordable housing in the downtown core. The commission supports measures that widen the availability of these spaces and thereby help sustain the Austin music industry.

Vote

For: 7 (Rosenthal, Reynolds, Garcia, Gould, Medicharla, Pike, Strickland)

Against: 0

Abstain: 2 (Chair Mahone, Vice-chair Patterson)

Absent: 2 (Christopher Limon, Stuart Sullivan)

Attest: Kim McCarson, Liaison