



**DOWNTOWN COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021**

The Downtown Commission convened in a meeting on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 301 W. 2nd Street in hybrid meeting format.

Downtown Commissioners in Attendance:

August Harris, Chair
David Gomez, Commissioner
Christopher Lehman, Vice Chair
Nelly Paulina Ramirez, Commissioner
Megan Meisenbach, Commissioner
Cynthia Weatherby, Commissioner
Chris Kanipe, Commissioner
Mike Lavigne, Commissioner
Josh Lickteig, Commissioner
Preston Reine Commissioner
Joel Sher, Commissioner
Laura Templeton, Commissioner
Kelan Robinson, Commissioner

Downtown Commissioners Not in Attendance:

Melissa Henao-Robledo Commissioner, Commissioner Ben Heimsath, Commissioner Christopher Limon, kYmberly Keeton, Commissioner, Kimberly Taylor, Commissioner

City Staff in Attendance:

Mona Sanchez and Christine Maguire, Economic Development Department

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

No citizens were signed up to speak.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2021, MEETING MINUTES

The September 15, 2021, Downtown Commission meeting minutes were adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS - Discussion and Possible Action

- a. **Cypress and Shoal Creek Public Space Strategy:** Presentation by Nina Rinaldi, Shoal Creek Conservancy
Item withdrawn.
- b. **Safer Sixth Street Initiative:** Presentation by Brian Block, Development Services Department (DSC)
No action was taken.
- c. **Discussion and possible action on the 2022 Downtown Commission Meeting Schedule.**

Commissioner Joel Sher motioned to approve the 2022 Downtown Commission meeting schedule with Commissioner Meisenbach's second on a 7-0.

3. OLD BUSINESS

Items from representatives of collaborating commissions including non-voting members

- a.** Update from Commissioner Melissa Henao-Robledo on recent activities and actions taken by the Design Commission.
Commissioner Henao-Robledo absent; no updates.
- b.** Update from Commissioner Ben Heimsath on recent activities and actions taken by the Historic Preservation Commission.
Commissioner Heimsath absent; no updates.
- c.** Update from Commissioner Cynthia Weatherby on recent activities and actions taken by the Urban Transportation Commission (UTC)
Commissioner Weatherby report that the UTC had discussed the changes in taxi service.
- d.** Update from Commissioner kYmberly Keeton on recent activities and actions taken by the Arts Commission.
Commissioner Keeton absent; no updates.
- e.** Update from Commission Christopher Limon on recent activities and actions taken by the Music Commission.
Commissioner Limon absent; no updates.
- f.** Update from Commissioner Kimberly Taylor on recent activities and actions taken by the Parks & Recreation Board
Commissioner Taylor absent; no updates.
- g.** Update from Commissioner Nelly Paulina Ramirez on recent activities and actions taken by the Public Safety Commission.
No updates.

2. POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- No future agenda items.

Adjournment 6:36 P.M.

The minutes were approved on this the 20st day of October 2021 on Chair Harris' motion.