

# AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX and via Videoconference.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Council Member Harper-Madison attended the meeting virtually. Council Member Fuentes absent.

#### A. PRE-SELECTED AGENDA ITEMS

- 52. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to explore strategies to increase highspeed roadway traffic enforcement that is narrowly focused on reducing traffic fatalities. Council Sponsors: Council Member Paige Ellis, Mayor Pro Tem Alison Alter, Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member Vanessa Fuentes.
- 80. NPA-2019-0022.02- 305 S. Congress PUD Approve second and third readings of an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20050929-Z001 the Greater South River City Combined Neighborhood Plan, an element of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, to change the land use designation on the future land use map (FLUM) on property locally known as 305 South Congress Avenue (Lady Bird Lake Watershed) from Industry to Mixed Use land use. First Reading approved Mixed Use land use on April 7, 2022. Vote: 10-0, Council Member Harper-Madison was off the dais. Owner/Applicant: Richard T. Suttle, Jr., Trustee. Agent: Armbrust & Brown, PLLC (Richard T. Suttle, Jr.). City Staff: Jerry Rusthoven, Housing and Planning Department, 512-974-3207. District(s) Affected: District 9.

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Direction was given to staff to provide financial documents in advance of July 28, 2022. To provide information on what occurs if the height is increased for buildings in this PUD.

81. C814-89-0003.02 - 305 S. Congress - Approve second and third readings of an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as 305 South Congress Avenue (Lady Bird Lake Watershed). Applicant's Request: To rezone from planned unit development-neighborhood plan (PUD-NP) combining district zoning to planned unit development-neighborhood plan (PUD-NP) combining district zoning, to change conditions of zoning. This ordinance may include waiver of fees, alternative funding methods, modifications of City regulations, and acquisition of property. First Reading approved with additional conditions on April 7, 2022. Vote: 10-0, Council Member

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95. Approve a resolution initiating the creation of the East Sixth Street Local Historic District and directing the City Manager to provide the required documentation to the appropriate City bodies. Council Sponsors: Council Member Kathie Tovo, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member Leslie Pool, Council Member Mackenzie Kelly.

Direction was given to staff to provide responses to the following questions.

- How does the local Historic District compare to the National Historic District already in place?
- What are the implications that should be shared with the public when they ask questions regarding the difference?
- What does the Local Historic District imply?

### D. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

**D1.** Discussion regarding public speaker process at City Council Meetings.

### A. PRE-SELECTED AGENDA ITEMS

- 50. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to adopt a living wage of \$22.00 per hour for City employees and to make other budget recommendations. Council Sponsors: Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member José 'Chito' Vela, Council Member Kathie Tovo, Council Member Sabino 'Pio' Renteria.
- 4. Authorize execution of interlocal agreement with Austin Community College (ACC) for the ACC Fashion Incubator for a three-year term for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$165,000. Strategic Outcome(s): Economic Opportunity and Affordability.
- 90. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to prepare an agreement with the Austin Independent School District (District) relating to telecommunications facilities on District campuses and associated site development standards and to present the agreement and an ordinance adopting the agreement to City Council. Council Sponsors: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member José 'Chito' Vela, Council Member Sabino 'Pio' Renteria, Council Member Vanessa Fuentes.
- 87. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to conduct a study of office space occupancy rates at City facilities as a result of remote work schedules and other changes in office space needs, and to provide recommendations to the Council. Council Sponsors: Council Member Sabino 'Pio' Renteria, Council Member Kathie Tovo, Council Member

Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member José 'Chito' Vela, Mayor Pro Tem Alison Alter.

94. Approve a resolution reaffirming Council's commitment to a high standard of emergency communications services, establishing a compensation policy for employees supporting the City's emergency communications services, and directing the City Manager to take actions consistent with these goals. Council Sponsors: Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, Mayor Pro Tem Alison Alter, Council Member José 'Chito' Vela.

The Mayor recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 11:16 a.m.

## E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

**E1.** Discuss legal issues related to the City's Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

#### **Not Conducted**

**E2.** Discuss real estate matters related to the purchase, exchange, lease or value of an interest in real property and improvements related to the redevelopment of the St. John properties located at 7211 N. IH 35 and 7309 N. IH 35. (Real property -Section 551.072 of the Government Code).

Conducted

E3. Discuss legal issues related to the transfer of the St. John properties located at 7211 N. IH 35 and 7309 N. IH 35 (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

**Not Conducted** 

**E4.** Discuss legal issues related to local regulation of reproductive health care (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Conducted

Executive Session ended and the Mayor reconvened the meeting at 2:24 p.m.

#### **B. BRIEFINGS**

**B1.** Briefing regarding the development assessment for a proposed planned unit development located at 517 South Lamar Boulevard-within the Lady Bird Lake WatersheFd - Urban Watershed. District(s) Affected: District 9.

The presentation was made by Jerry Rusthoven, Housing and Planning Department.

**B2.** Update on the Climate Equity Plan

The presentation was made by Lucia Athens, Chief Sustainability Officer; Zach Baumer, Sustainability Office.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022 on Council Member Kitchen's motion, Council Member Vela's second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Fuentes was absent.