

SMALL AREA PLANNING JOINT COMMITTEE
APRIL 13, 2022
11:30 AM



STREET-JONES BUILDING, ROOM 400A
1100 EAST 11TH STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS

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CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Members in Attendance	Members Absent	Staff in Attendance
Patrick Howard James Shieh, Chair Jeffrey Thompson Cesar Acosta David King, Vice-Chair Betsy Greenberg	Jennifer Mushtaler	Mark Walters Susan Watkins Stevie Greathouse Greg Dutton Laura Keating Victor Cortes

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Shieh called the meeting to order at 11:40 AM.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 3 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

No speakers signed up to speak.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a.** Approval of minutes from the December 8, 2021, Small Area Planning Joint Committee meeting. King clarifies minutes:

On Commissioner King's motion, Commissioner Thompson's second, the committee unanimously voted to approve the December 8, 2021, minutes as amended.

- b.** Approval of minutes from the February 9, 2022, Small Area Planning Joint Committee meeting.

On Commissioner King's motion, Commissioner Thompson's second, the committee unanimously voted to approve the February 9, 2022, minutes.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- a.** None

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a.** **90-92 Rainey Street - Reflectivity Variance in the Waterfront Overlay (SPC-2020-0121C)** - Discussion and possible action on a variance for reflectivity standards in the Rainey Street subdistrict of the Waterfront Overlay.

- *Amanda Swor (Drenner Group) presented on behalf of the applicant.*
- *On Commissioner Acosta's motion, Commissioner Greenberg's second, the commission voted to close the public hearing.*
- *The variance request was discussed. Commissioner King made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Greenburg, that the variance request be forwarded to the Planning Commission without a recommendation with information from staff regarding potential impacts on adjacent buildings, bird-friendly design, transmittance, reflectivity, LEED best practices and energy efficiency.*

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a.** *None*

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a.** Housing and Planning Department Staff will brief the Committee on the status of the on-going Palm District Planning Initiative.

Stevie Greathouse presented.

- b.** Housing and Planning Department Staff will brief the Committee on the South Central Waterfront Overlay.

Greg Dutton presented.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- *Chair Shieh requested information on best practices regarding properties and use of glass on new buildings, and the LEED approach, within the waterfront overlay.*

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Shieh adjourned the meeting at 1:44 PM.

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