

### **Annual Internal Review**

#### This report covers the time period of 7/1/2021 to 6/30/2022

## **Downtown Commission**

#### The Board/Commission mission statement (per the City Code) is:

- (1) Advise the City Council and city staff regarding policies and projects impacting downtown Austin.
- (2) Serve as stewards for the Downtown Austin Plan (DAP) and, as such:
  - (a) Serve as a sounding board for the City Council and City of Austin (COA) staff on the implementation of the Downtown Austin Plan (DAP) and Land Development Code rewrite; and
  - (b) Offer recommendations on amendments to the DAP and Land Development Code rewrite as needed;
- (3) Maintain liaison relationships with City staff and other boards and commissions; and
- (4) Perform other activities as directed by City Council.
- 1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.

The Commission has been meeting throughout the year and continues to maintain full representation of voting and non-voting members. The Commission received briefings on:

- Covid Relief Recovery
- Downtown Music Venues: Live Music Fund Event Program
- Fee-in-Lieu Recommendations for Great Streets
- Red River Extension
- Downtown Austin Plan
- Downtown Public Safety
- Convention Center Strategic Outlook
- Safer Sixth Street Initiative
- Cypress and Shoal Creek Public Space Strategy
- Downtown Density Program
- Downtown Mobility: Scooter Activity

- Mexican American Cultural Center (MACC) Phase 2 Improvement Project
- Equity-Based Historic Preservation Plan
- North Congress Avenue Plaza
- Downtown Homelessness Activity
- Downtown Public Improvement District Authorization

#### The Commission passed the following recommendations:

- Downtown Mobility
  - ➤ The Downtown Commission passed recommendation 20220420-2(c): Downtown Mobility: micromobility solutions on 4.20.2022
- Convention Center Expansion
  - ➤ The Downtown Commission passed recommendation 20220420-(d): Convention Center Expansion Working Group on 4.20.2022
- Downtown Public Improvement District
  - ➤ The Downtown Commission passed recommendation 20220518-2c: Downtown Public Improvement District Authorization on 5.18.2022

# 2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

The Commissions actions complied with the mission statement.

#### 3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

- Monitor and support efforts to ensure downtown's successful emergence from the Covid Pandemic.
- Monitor and support efforts to ensure that downtown is inclusive.
- Monitor and support efforts to manage downtown public health and safety.
  policies, creating a safer and cleaner environment.
- Support the City's initiative to create appropriate interventions to reduce the homeless population and develop a long-term strategy to find permanent housing for the homeless population.
- Monitor and advocate for the integration of the Downtown Austin Plan.
- Advocate for an update of the Downtown Austin Plan (DAP) as originally recommended in the DAP.
- Monitor the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP) to ensure that policies, programs and projects balance downtown's current and future mobility needs.
- Monitor the Land Development Code rewrite and its implications for Downtown Austin