

**SAVE HISTORIC MUNY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: February 22, 2023  
Location: Lions Municipal Golf Course  
Penick Board Room  
2901 Enfield Road  
Austin TX 78703

Meeting Time: 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Mary Arnold\*  
Brian Greig\*  
Volma Overton III\*\*  
Ken Tiemann\*

Bob Ozer – Save Muny  
Holly Reed – President, West Austin Neighborhood Group  
Junie Plummer – Real Estate Negotiator  
Ethan Smith – Student Housing Advocate  
Rudy Metayer – Pflugerville City Council Member / President & Executive  
Director, Texas Legislative Black Caucus Foundation\*\*  
Steve Hammond – Division Manager, Golf Services, City of Austin  
Erik Lopez – Golf Professional, Lions Municipal Golf Course  
Kurt Cadena Mitchell – City of Austin, District 10 Chief of Staff\*\*  
Scott Sayers – Save Muny Conservancy  
Deepesh Verma – PhD Candidate, UT / *Underpaid at UT*

\*denotes Save Historic Muny District (SHMD) Board Member  
\*\*denotes attendance via video conference

**Minutes:**

**1. Call to Order**

Mary Arnold called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

**2. Item 1 (Public Communication)**

Ethan Smith (Student Housing Advocate): Mr. Smith notified the Board that he will not be proceeding with his proposed bill due to lack of support from UT. He will continue his meetings with UT officials and will be speaking at the upcoming UT Board of Regents meeting regarding the WAYA lease extension.

Deepesh Verma (PhD Candidate UT / Underpaid at UT): Mr. Verma told the Board about *Underpaid at UT*, a group of grad student workers at UT who are organizing for a living wage and just working conditions.

Steve Hammond (Division Manager, Golf Services, City of Austin): Mr. Hammond presented maintenance needs for the golf course that are eligible for funding from the SHMD concession profit-share income. Those needs include \$30,000 of repairs to the netting along #14 and \$46,376 of turf repair to #1 fairway and #10 tee.

Brian Greig moved that the SHMD pay an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for netting repair on hole #14 and \$46,376 for turf repair on #1 fairway and #10 tee. Ken Tiemann seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Bob Ozer (Save Muny): In response to earlier comments, Mr. Ozer recounted what land and money the City of Austin has given to UT. His position is that any further concessions should be focused on allowing UT the density to make its full Brackenridge Tract financial return on the non-Muny parcels.

Scott Sayers (Save Muny Conservancy): Mr. Sayers informed the Board that the *Imagine Muny II* fundraising event was highly successful, grossing over \$1,000,000.

### **3. Item 2 (Approval of 1/18/23 Meeting Minutes)**

Brian Greig moved that the 1/18/23 draft minutes be adopted. Ken Tiemann seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

### **4. Item 3 (Treasurer's Report)**

Treasurer's Report: Ken Tiemann reported the vendor account balance is \$93,548.98. The regular SHMD checking balance is \$1,356.92. Cisco's Restaurant reported January net sales of \$40,226.19 and paid a \$4,022.62 profit share.

Cisco's management provided the following statement to the Board:

*While staffing issues created challenges for Cisco's Muny Cafe in 2022, those challenges have fortunately been less acute in 2023, allowing us to build a more consistent team and culture at the cafe. There have been some isolated incidents when we have had to make small*

*adjustments to our hours of operation, but those situations are becoming less and less frequent. We are also now able to consistently offer cart service from 10am until 30 minutes before close, Friday through Sunday.*

**5. Item 4 (Legislative Report)**

Legislative Report: Mary Arnold reported that Senator Eckhardt and Representative Howard's offices have been contacted re the SHMD extension bill. The bill is a copy of the 2021 renewal legislation.

**6. Item 5 (Planning for continuation of Stakeholder meetings re future of Lions Municipal Golf Course and city zoning for requested University of Texas at Austin properties.)**

Mary Arnold will contact Councilmember Alter, asking for Muni Stakeholder meetings to be resumed.

Volma Overton has upcoming meetings with Councilmember Madison and Jamarr Brown, Executive Director of Texas Democratic Party. The importance of preserving Muni will be discussed.

**7. Item 6 (Items from Board Members, and discussion of next meeting date.)**

Next Meeting Date:	March 29, 2023
Location:	Lions Municipal Golf Course Tom Penick Board Room 2901 Enfield Road Austin, TX 78703
Meeting Time:	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**8. Item 7 (Adjourn)**

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.