

TOURISM COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
14, JUNE 2023

The TOURISM COMMISSION convened in a REGULAR meeting on 14, JUNE 2023, at 301 w. Second St. in Austin, Texas.

Vice Chair, Ed Bailey called the TOURISM COMMISSION Meeting to order at 2:37 p.m.

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:

Commissioners Ed Bailey, Greg Chanon, Rachel Magee, Anna Panossian, John Riedie and Christian Tschoepe

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Commissioner Mike Cannatti and Daniel Ronan

Board Members/Commissioners Absence:

Aileen Bazan and Stefani Mathis

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Celina Zisman, Arts Commission

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the TOURISM COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING on May 10, 2023.

The minutes from the meeting of 5/10/2023 were approved on Commissioner Panossian's motion, Commissioner Chanon's second on an 8-0 vote.

Those members voting aye, Commissioners Bailey, Cannatti, Chanon, Magee, Panossian, Riedie, Ronan, & Tschoepe

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Introduction of staff liaison to new member, and discussion of vacancies on the Commission with upcoming training for current board members

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Presentation by Executive Director, Walter Moreau with Foundation Communities

- 4. Presentation by Lead Social Worker, Emily Britz with the Trinity Center Austin
- 5. Discussion of TPID and formulation of questions regarding TPID
 - a. Commissioner Magee Is the voluntary tax restricted to the stay of room nights or is there an opportunity within the TPID to tax the sale of alcoholic beverages within Austin to go towards helping secure housing.
 - b. Commissioner Tschoepe Knowledge of the apportionments of the funds

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 6. Discussion and possible action of the proposed Tourism Commission Road Map handout, of the next six-month agendas
 - a. The motion to approve the July 12th and August 9 agenda items in entirety with the stipulation that any amendments need to be emailed by July 5th at noon, recognizing that the detailed questions within the topics are fluid and in addition to adding the TPID topic to the July meeting, was approved on Commissioner Panossian's motion, Commissioner Magee's second on a (7-1) vote. (Those members voting aye, Commissioners Bailey, Cannatti, Magee, Panossian, Riedie, Ronan, & Tschoepe. Commissioner Chanon voting nay)
- 7. Review and Discussion of Annual Internal Review for submission to the City Clerk's Office
- 8. Discussion and possible action of Bios for Tourism Commission website

WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES

- 9. No updates from the TPID working group.
- 10. No updates from the Parks and Environment working group.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 11. Invite Scott Joslove, Texas Hotel and Lodging Association to discuss TPID Service Plan.
- 12. Invite The Trail Conservancy

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Riedie and seconded by Commissioner Magee. Vice Chair Bailey adjourned the meeting at 4:35 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the July 12, 2023 meeting on Commissioner Chanon's motion, Vice Chair Bailey second on a (10-0) vote.