

SAVE HISTORIC MUNY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 24, 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*†
Ken Tiemann*

Bob Ozer – Save Muny
Holly Reed – President, West Austin Neighborhood Group
Junie Plummer – Real Estate Negotiator
Ethan Smith – Student Housing Advocate
Scott Sayers – Muny Conservancy†

*denotes Save Historic Muny District (SHMD) Board Member

†denotes attendance via video conference or telephone

Minutes:

1. Call to Order

Mary Arnold called the meeting to order at 2:18 p.m.

2. Item 1 (Public Communication)

Ethan Smith (Student Housing Advocate): Mr. Smith discussed UT potentially beginning a pilot program to address student housing affordability. Funding for a needs-based subsidy would come from the *UT Housing & Dining* budget. The framework seemingly would incorporate key components of a plan that Mr. Smith has authored and advocated for.

Junie Plummer (Real Estate Negotiator): Ms. Plummer suggested that the Board consider contacting Carter Smith, former Executive Director of Texas Parks & Wildlife and former State Director of the Nature Conservancy of Texas, regarding his thoughts on preservation strategies for Muny.

Scott Sayers (Muny Conservancy): Mr. Sayers discussed how Muny was received in the 2023 session of the Texas Legislature and how UT may qualify for a significant amount of 2025 state funding towards preserving the full 141 acres.

3. Item 2 (Approval of 4/26/23, 5/4/23 and 5/8/23 Meeting Minutes)

Ken Tiemann moved that the 4/26/23, 5/4/23 and 5/8/23 draft minutes be adopted. Brian Greig seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

4. Item 3 (Treasurer's Report)

Treasurer's Report: Ken Tiemann reported the vendor account balance is \$111,247.91. The regular SHMD checking balance is \$1,310.17. Cisco's Restaurant had April net sales of \$78,497.55 and paid a \$7,849.76 profit share.

5. Item 4 (Legislative Report)

Legislative Report: Brian Greig reported that HB 2867 has passed the Texas House & Texas Senate. It now is awaiting the signature of Governor Abbott. If signed, the law will extend the life of the Save Historic Muny District for two more years.

6. Item 5 (Working to assure Lions Municipal's Future)

Mary Arnold led a discussion on reviving the "Muny Summit" gathering. Key participants will continue to be contacted in hopes of getting the scheduling approved as soon as possible.

Mary Arnold spoke about planning for 2024 Muny Centennial and the goal of being able to simultaneously celebrate an agreement with UT to preserve the historic golf course.

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

Next Meeting Date:	June 28, 2023
Location:	Lions Municipal Golf Course 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 3:40 p.m.