



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

The COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION convened in a REGULAR MEETING on NOVEMBER 14, 2023, at City Hall Boards and Commissions Room 1101, 301 West 2nd Street, in Austin, Texas. Some members of the commission participated by video conference.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:53pm with 8 members present.

UPDATE THIS SECTION

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:

Cheryl Thompson (Chair)
Jose Noe Elias (Vice Chair)
Jenny Achilles
Steven Brown
Bertha Delgado
Cynthia Jaso
Julia Woods

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Miriam Garcia
Steven Brown

Staff Members in Attendance

Mandy DeMayo
Letitia Brown
Ed Blake
Lisa Rodriguez

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Zenobia Joseph addressed the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the September 12, 2023, Community Development Commission meeting minutes.

The minutes from the meeting of October 10, 2023, were approved on Commissioner Brown's motion, Commissioner Delgado's second on an 8-0-0 vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Presentation on the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) (Angel Zambrano, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Austin Public Health)

Before this item was taken up, at 7:14pm a recess was called due to quorum being lost because of a minor emergency. The board reconvened at 7:28pm and this item was taken up.

Angel Zambrano gave the presentation. Zenobia Joseph addressed the CDC regarding emergency rental assistance and transportation barriers for the poor.

3. Presentation and discussion from Meals on Wheels & More, Inc. (Bryan Sykes)

Bryan Sykes gave the presentation.

4. Presentation and discussion on the FY 22-23 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER) process and document. (Chris Duran, Senior Research Analyst, Housing Department)

Chris Duran gave the presentation.

5. Presentation and discussion on the upcoming FY 24-29 Consolidated Plan process (Chris Duran, Senior Research Analyst, Housing Department)

Chris Duran gave the presentation.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution on the HOME Initiative (Vice Chair Elias)

Chair Elias introduced a recommendation that Council delay votes on Phases 1 and 2 of the HOME Initiative. On Commissioner Brown's motion, Commissioner Woods' second, an amendment to the recommendation was unanimously approved. On Commissioner Woods' motion, Commissioner Brown's second, a second friendly amendment to the recommendation was approved on a unanimous vote. The final recommendation with both amendments was approved on Chair Elias's motion, Commissioner Delgado's second by unanimous vote.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Presentation on Rental Housing Development Assistance Program (RHDA)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 9:21pm.

The minutes of the CDC's November 14, 2023, meeting were approved at the December 12, 2023, meeting on Commissioner Elias's motion, Commissioner Delgado's second, without objection, with the amendment that Commissioner Steven Brown was present remotely at the meeting.