



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
DRAFT MINUTES
DECEMBER 12, 2023**

The COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION convened in a REGULAR MEETING on DECEMBER 12, 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 6:35pm with 9 members present.

UPDATE THIS SECTION

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:

Cheryl Thompson (Chair)
Jose Noe Elias (Vice Chair)
Cynthia Jaso
Raul Longoria

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Jenny Achilles
Bertha Delgado
Estevan Delgado
Jo Anne Ortiz
Julia Woods

Board Members/Commissioners Absent:

Steven Brown
Miriam Garcia
Michael Tolliver

Staff Members in Attendance

Mandy DeMayo
Nefertitti Jackmon
Chris Duran
Ed Blake
Lisa Rodriguez

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Zenobia Joseph addressed the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the November 14, 2023, Community Development Commission meeting minutes.

The minutes from the meeting of November 14, 2023, were approved on Vice Chair Elias's motion, Commissioner Bertha Delgado's second, on a 9-0-0 vote, with the amendment that Commissioner Brown attended the November meeting remotely.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

Angel Zambrano gave the presentation.

3. Presentation and discussion on Neighborhood Services Unit Rent Assistance Program (Angel Zambrano, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Austin Public Health)

Angel Zambrano gave the presentation. Members of the public, Fran Tatu (Austin Mutual Aid) and Nyeka Arnold (The Healing Project) addressed the commission.

4. Discussion regarding eligible uses of Community Development Block grant funds (Mandy DeMayo, Interim Director, Housing Department and Chris Duran, Senior Research Analyst, Housing Department)

Mandy DeMayo and Chris Duran provided information on CDBG and responded to questions.

5. Discussion on the FY 24-29 Consolidated Plan Community Needs Assessment. (Chris Duran, Senior Research Analyst, Housing Department)

Chris Duran gave the presentation.

WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES

6. Update from the Austin Transit Partnership Community Advisory Committee (CAC) (Vice Chair Elias)

Vice Chair Elias communicated there was no update, as he was unable to attend the last meeting. He asked for an alternate to serve on the committee. Commissioner Ortiz agreed to serve as the alternate representative.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Presentation In February 2024 regarding RHDA, with emphasis on location of developments, density, and proximity to ETODs, health center access, and income eligibility.

Briefing from the Working Group on Rental Assistance (Commissioners Achilles, Elias, and Estevan Delgado).

ADJOURNMENT

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

The minutes of the CDC's December 12, 2023, meeting were approved at the January 9, 2024, meeting on Commissioner XXX's motion, Commissioner YYY's second without objection on a 0-0-0 vote.