

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES****REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024**

The following represents the actions taken by the Austin City Council in the order they occurred during the meeting. While the minutes are not in sequential order, all agenda items were discussed. The City Council of Austin, Texas, convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX and via videoconference.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation – Critical Needs Providers Day – To be presented by Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

Proclamation – Greater Austin Regional Science and Engineering Fair Days – To be presented by Council Member Mackenzie Kelly

Proclamation – Otis J. Latin Sr. Month – To be presented by Council Member Mackenzie Kelly

Distinguished Service Award – Cindy Hood – To be presented by Council Member Mackenzie Kelly

Proclamation – Austin ISD Parent Support Day – To be presented by Council Member Vanessa Fuentes and Council Member José Velásquez

Mayor Watson called the Council Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were acted on by one motion.

1. Approve the minutes of the Austin City Council work session of January 30, 2024, and regular meeting of February 1, 2024.

The motion to approve the minutes of the Austin City Council work session of January 30, 2024, and regular meeting of February 1, 2024, was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

2. Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for project controls and project management software with PMWeb, Inc., for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000. [Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of a contract with PMWeb, Inc., was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
3. Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for a latent print case management system including training and related services with Mideo Systems, Inc., for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$330,000. [Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the goods and services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of a contract with Mideo Systems, Inc., was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
4. Authorize execution of a contract for collection and recycling services of scrap tires with Youngblood Automotive & Tire LLC d/b/a Youngblood Auto & Tire or Youngblood Auto & Ti, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. [Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].
The motion authorizing the execution of a contract with Youngblood Automotive & Tire LLC doing business as Youngblood Auto & Tire or Youngblood Auto & Ti was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
5. Authorize an amendment to a contract for continued boating concession operation services with Zilker Park Boat Rentals LLC, for an estimated revenue increase in the amount of \$100,000 and to extend the term for one year, for a revised total estimated contract revenue amount of \$1,003,874. [Note: This contract was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this contract, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

The motion authorizing an amendment to a contract with Zilker Park Boat Rentals LLC was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

6. Authorize an amendment to the 2023 Chilled Water Construction in the Right-of-Way Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity construction contract with DeNucci Constructors to increase the amount by \$6,250,000, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$31,250,000. [Note: This contract was awarded in compliance with City Code 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). Current participation to date is 0% MBE and 0% WBE]. February 12, 2024- Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote with three vacancies.

The motion authorizing an amendment to the 2023 Chilled Water Construction in the Right-of-Way Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity construction contract with DeNucci Constructors was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

7. Authorize execution of a contract for construction services for the Kramer Lane Substation project with Capital Excavation Company, in the amount of \$12,272,916, plus a \$1,227,291 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$13,500,207. [Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 5.90% MBE and 1.63% WBE participation.] District(s) Affected: District 7. February 12, 2024- Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote with three vacancies.

The motion authorizing the execution of a contract with Capital Excavation Company was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

8. Authorize execution of a contract for construction services for the Walnut Creek-Oak Knoll Flood Risk Reduction project with Santa Clara Construction, Ltd. in the amount of \$8,232,469 plus a \$823,246 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$9,055,716. [Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 64.64% MBE and 1.02% WBE participation.] District(s) Affected: District 10.

The motion authorizing the execution of a contract with Santa Clara Construction, Ltd., was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

9. Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for an underground feasibility and overhead distribution resilience study with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,725,000. [Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no

subcontracting goals were established]. February 12, 2024- Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote with three vacancies.

The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of a contract with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

10. Approve a resolution related to an application by FC Burleson Housing LP, or an affiliated entity, for competitive 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credits for a new construction development to be known as Burleson Studios located at or near 7905 Burleson Road, Austin, Texas 78744, and related to the allocation of housing tax credits within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction and near the proposed development.
Resolution No. 20240215-010 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

11. Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the legal services agreement with Blair Leake with the law firm of Wright and Greenhill, PC for individual officer representation in Gonzalez et al. v. City of Austin et al., Cause No. 1:22-cv-00655 in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas in an amount of \$255,500, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$295,500.
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the legal services agreement with Blair Leake with the law firm of Wright and Greenhill, PC, was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

12. Authorize negotiation and execution of a legal services agreement with Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C. for 2024 labor contract negotiations with the Austin Police Association in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of a legal services agreement with Denton Navarro Rodriguez Bernal Santee & Zech, P.C. was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

13. Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the legal services agreement with Albert Lopez with the Law Offices of Albert Lopez for individual officer representation in Gonzalez et al. v. City of Austin et al., Cause No. 1:22-cv -00655 in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas in an amount of \$223,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$227,500.
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the legal services agreement with Albert Lopez with the Law Offices of Albert Lopez was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

Item 14 was pulled for discussion.

15. Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to an interlocal agreement with Texas A&M Engineering Extension Services to allow an additional 35 participants to attend the Enhanced All-Hazards Incident Management/Unified Command MGT314 training course for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of an amendment to an interlocal agreement with Texas A&M Engineering Extension Services was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
16. Approve an interlocal agreement with Travis County on a planning and implementation partnership for the Northeast Planning District.
This item was postponed to February 29, 2024, on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
17. Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20230816-008) to add six full-time equivalent grant funded positions for the Austin Police Department Victim Crisis Intervention Project.
Ordinance No. 20240215-017 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
18. Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to an agreement with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc. to connect individuals experiencing homelessness in Austin and Travis County to opportunities for safe, stable, and permanent housing, to add a six-month term beginning April 1, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$65,000, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$910,000.
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to an agreement with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc., was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
19. Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County and the Austin-Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation d/b/a the Sobering Center for the operation and management of a sobering center, for an initial six-month term beginning on April 1, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$1,251,394, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$9,969,566, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$11,220,960.
The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County and the Austin-Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation doing business as the Sobering Center was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
20. Approve a resolution authorizing the submittal of the Bergstrom Spur Trails to Transit project as a candidate for the 2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with

Sustainability and Equity discretionary grant program, administered by the United States Department of Transportation. District(s) Affected: District 2, District 3.

Resolution No. 20240215-020 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

21. Approve a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Mitigation Assistance grant program to fund flood education and outreach services.

Resolution No. 20240215-021 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

22. Approve appointments and certain related waivers to citizen boards and commissions, to Council committees and other intergovernmental bodies, and to public facility corporations; removal and replacement of members; and amendments to board and commission bylaws.

Withdrawn and replaced by addendum Item 45.

Item 23 was pulled for discussion.

24. Approve a resolution regarding transparent and ethical citywide artificial intelligence guidelines and procedures, accountability strategies, and workforce considerations. Council Sponsors: Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member Ryan Alter, Council Member Zohaib "Zo" Qadri.

Resolution No. 20240215-024 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

Action was taken on Item 25 but was later reconsidered.

ITEMS TO SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

26. Set a public hearing to consider a resolution to reauthorize the East Sixth Street Public Improvement District. (Suggested date: March 21, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas). District(s) Affected: District 9.

The public hearing was set for Thursday, March 21, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

27. Set a public hearing to consider a resolution to reauthorize the South Congress Preservation and Improvement District. (Suggested date: March 21, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas). District(s) Affected: District 9.

The public hearing was set for Thursday, March 21, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

28. Set a public hearing related to an application by TX Clayton 2024, Ltd., or an affiliated entity, for housing tax credits for a multi-family development to be financed through the private activity bond program and to be known as Cameron HiLine located within the city of Austin at or near 1120 and 1124 Clayton Lane, Austin, Texas 78723. (Suggested date: Thursday, February 29, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas). District(s) Affected: District 4.

The public hearing was set for Thursday, February 29, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

29. Set a public hearing to receive input on community needs concerning the City's Fiscal Year 2024-2029 Consolidated Plan, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373 for the City's application for federal funding. (Suggested date: March 7, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas).

The public hearing was set for Thursday, March 7, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

30. Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 to amend the North Burnet/Gateway Regulating Plan. (Suggested date: March 7, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas).

The public hearing was set for Thursday, March 7, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

31. Set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-9 (Water and Wastewater) to clarify requirements for water conservation in the implementation of the Water Forward Plan, including distances for the reclaimed water connection requirement, clarify definitions, and modify variances, including adding certain affordable housing exemptions for reclaimed water connections and onsite water reuse requirements. (Suggested date: March 7, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas).

The public hearing was set for Thursday, March 7, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

32. Set a joint public hearing of the City Council and Planning Commission and a subsequent City Council public hearing to consider amendments to City Code Title 25 (Land Development) that would: revise regulations that apply to lots with one housing unit, create regulations that allow properties to be used for charging electric vehicles, create

regulations that would apply to properties that are located within a half mile of the planned Phase 1 Light Rail and Priority Extensions (also known as the Equitable Transit-Oriented Development (ETOD) overlay), and revise height, building placement, and other related regulations that apply to property and are in addition to the base zoning regulations (also known as Compatibility Standards). (Suggested Joint Public Hearing Date: April 11, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas; and Suggested City Council Public Hearing Date: No earlier than May 1, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas).

Withdrawn and replaced by addendum Item 46.

AGENDA ADDENDUM

43. Authorize negotiation of an interlocal agreement with Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center d/b/a Integral Care for the Diversion Pilot, to implement a multi-partner mental health diversion pilot program, for a 12-month term beginning March 1, 2024, for an amount up to \$2,000,000.

The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center doing business as Integral Care was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

44. Authorize the City to file a bond validation lawsuit related to the issuance of bonds that will be used to finance Project Connect and approve a resolution authorizing execution of an Amended and Restated Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Austin Transit Partnership (ATP) and amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement between the City, ATP, and Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Cap Metro); and approving amendments to ATP's articles of incorporation and bylaws.

The motion authorizing the City to file a bond validation lawsuit related to the issuance of bonds that will be used to finance Project Connect and approving Resolution No. 20240215-044 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

45. Approve appointments and certain related waivers to citizen boards and commissions, to Council committees and other intergovernmental bodies, and to public facility corporations; removal and replacement of members; amendments to board and commission bylaws; and approve an ordinance waiving City Code Section 2-1-21(H) regarding service on more than one board.

Ordinance No. 20240215-045 and the following appointments and waivers were approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Alison Alter abstained.

Nominations

Board/Nominee	Nominated by
<u>Board of Adjustment</u> Bianca Medina-Leal	Council Member Fuentes
<u>Comprehensive Plan Joint Committee</u> Ryan Johnson	Planning Commission
<u>Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Board</u> Lauren Pena	Council Member Kelly
<u>Economic Prosperity Commission</u> Rodrigo Cantu	Council Member Ryan Alter
<u>Planning Commission</u> Danielle Skidmore	Council Member Qadri
<u>Public Safety Commission</u> Angelica Reyes	Council Member Velásquez
<u>Resource Management Commission</u> Constantine "Dino" Sasaridis	Council Member Velásquez

Removals

<u>Building and Standards Commission</u> Bianca Medina-Leal	Council Member Fuentes
<u>Public Safety Commission</u> Lauren Pena	Council Member Velásquez

Waivers

Approve a waiver of the attendance requirement in Section 2-1-26 of the City Code for the service of Amarige Azzam on the Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission. The waiver includes absences through today's date.

Approve a waiver of the residency requirement in Section 2-1-21 of the City Code for the service of Carrie Thompson on the Zoning and Platting Commission.

ITEMS TO SET PUBLIC HEARINGS CONTINUED

46. Set a joint public hearing of the City Council and Planning Commission and a subsequent City Council public hearing to consider amendments to City Code Title 25 (Land Development) that would: revise regulations that apply to lots with one housing unit, create regulations that allow properties to be used for charging electric vehicles, create regulations that would apply to properties that are located within a half mile of the planned Phase 1 Light Rail and Priority Extensions (also known as the Equitable Transit-

Oriented Development (ETOD) overlay), and revise height, building placement, and other related regulations that apply to property and are in addition to the base zoning regulations (also known as Compatibility Standards). (Suggested Joint Public Hearing Date: April 11, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas; and Suggested City Council Public Hearing Date: May 16, 2024, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas).

The joint public hearing was set for Thursday, April 11, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas and the City Council public hearing was set for Thursday, May 16, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

14. Approve a resolution updating the Austin Climate Equity Plan regarding telework policies and per capita waste disposal rate goals.
A motion to approve the resolution was made by Council Member Fuentes and seconded by Council Member Qadri.

The following amendment was made by Council Member Fuentes and seconded by Council Member Velásquez.

The amendment was to revise *Transportation and Land Use Goal 3, Strategy 7* in Exhibit A to read:

“How we’ll get there:

- Ensure that all policies for telework, remote work, or mandatory commuting that impact City of Austin employees are in full alignment with the goal of reducing single-occupancy vehicle trips in the region, and that any future changes to City policies contribute towards reaching the 50% mode-shift goal by 2030, and whenever appropriate, all new City of Austin telework and remote work policies contribute towards the goal of achieving 15% Austin residents working from home by 2039. This should include a strategy to implement a City of Austin telework policy encouraging no less than 85% of eligible City of Austin employees to participate in telework.”

The amendment was approved on a 10-1 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

An amendment to add a Be It Further Resolved clause was made by Council Member Fuentes and seconded by Council Member Harper-Madison to read as follows:

“Council directs the City Manager to provide semi-annual reports on the impact of telework policy implementation to include, at a minimum:

- total number and percentage of telework eligible employees per job title and department;**

- total number and percentage of telework hours worked per job title and department;
- total number of exemptions requested, approved and denied per job title and department”

The amendment was approved on a 10-1 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

Resolution No. 20240215-014 was approved as amended on Council Member Fuentes’ motion, Council Member Qadri’s second on a 10-1 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

23. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to investigate ways to preserve accessible, inclusive, open-to-the-public events and Citywide traditions and to identify opportunities for the City to support and promote community events including a free annual summer concert series. Council Sponsors: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, Council Member Paige Ellis, Council Member Zohaib "Zo" Qadri, Council Member Ryan Alter.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Council Member Vela and seconded by Council Member Qadri.

The following amendment was made by Council Member Vela and seconded by Council Member Velásquez.

The amendment was to revise beginning at line 74 to read:

“The City Manager is directed to explore and provide recommendations on ways to support and preserve accessible, inclusive, open-to-the-public events and Citywide traditions comparable to ‘Blues on the Green’ and community festivals, including permitting the sale of alcoholic beverages for such events where appropriate. The City Manager is directed to solicit the input of the Arts, Music, and Quality of Life commissions in developing any recommendations.”

The amendment was approved on a 6-0 vote. Council Members Alison Alter, Ryan Alter, Harper Madison, and Qadri abstained. Council Member Kelly recused.

Resolution No. 20240215-023 was approved as amended on Council Member Vela’s motion, Council Member Qadri’s second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Kelly recused.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Muneeb Aslam - Ceasefire – **Present.**

Jameleh Mahmoud - TBD – **Present.**

Tessa Mitterhoff - Ceasefire – **Present.**

Mohit Mehta - TBD – **Present.**

Henry Kohen - I would like to speak towards our City Council's obligation to put forward a ceasefire resolution. – **Present.**

Valerie Michalecki - Ceasefire – **Present.**

Michael Luxemburg - Community safety – **Present.**

Liana Petruzzi - Tbd – **Present.**

Scott Delgado - Ceasefire now – **Present.**

Ali Ishaq - TBD – **Present.**

Mayor Watson recessed the Council Meeting at 12:46 p.m. without objection.

LIVE MUSIC

Oscar Ornelas

Mayor Watson reconvened the Council Meeting at 1:21 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE ACTION

35. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan to update the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP).
The public hearing was conducted and a motion to close the public hearing and approve the ordinance was made by Council Member Fuentes and seconded by Council Member Velásquez.

The following amendment was made by Council Member Fuentes and seconded by Council Member Qadri.

The amendment was to revise *Transportation Demand Management Programming - Indicators and Targets* on page 79 of Exhibit A to read:

“Ensure that, whenever appropriate, all new City telework and remote work policies contribute towards the goal of achieving 15% Austin residents working from home by 2039. This should include a strategy to implement a City of Austin telework policy encouraging no less than 85% of eligible City of Austin employees to participate in telework.”

The amendment was approved on a 10-1 vote. Council member Kelly voted nay.

Ordinance No. 20240215-035 was approved as amended on Council Member Vela's motion, Council Member Velásquez's second on a 10-1 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

33. Approve an ordinance appointing two individuals to fill vacancies and to serve full terms on the Municipal Civil Service Commission, appointing a chair and waiving City Code Section 2-1-21(H) regarding service on more than one board. Council Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee.

Ordinance No. 20240215-033 was approved on Council Member Alison Alter's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Pool's second on an 11-0 vote.

34. Approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 2 and Title 25 relating to the City Auditor. Council Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee.

Ordinance No. 20240215-034 was approved on Council Member Alison Alter's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Pool's second on an 11-0 vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS CONTINUED

25. Approve a resolution establishing the City's intent to act urgently to address local causes of climate change, enhance the sustainability of City operations, and develop community resiliency to the impacts of extreme weather; directing the City Manager to post a public hearing of the Joint Sustainability Committee to gather public input and make recommendations; further directing the City Manager to prepare an environmental investment plan, including recommendations for appropriate funding sources; and setting a public hearing. (Suggested date and location: May 30, 2024, Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas) Council Sponsors: Council Member Ryan Alter, Council Member Paige Ellis, Council Member José Velásquez, Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, Council Member José "Chito" Vela, Council Member Zohaib "Zo" Qadri.

Resolution No. 20240215-025 was approved on consent on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

A motion to reconsider the item was made by Council Member Ryan Alter, seconded by Council Member Ellis, and approved on an 11-0 vote.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Council Member Ryan Alter and seconded by Council Member Ellis.

The following amendment was made by Council Member Ellis and seconded by Council Member Qadri.

The amendment was to add Austin's Urban Forest Plan to the Whereas clause beginning at line 30 and also to revise the Be It Further Resolved clause beginning at line 77 to read:

"In addition to any proposals put forth by the Joint Sustainability Committee, the City Manager is directed to analyze the investments needed to reach any established goals in the following plans:

- Austin Climate Equity Plan**
- Water Forward**
- Watershed Protection Strategic Plan**
- Green Infrastructure Strengths and Gaps Assessment**
- Austin's Urban Forest Plan**
- One Austin: The Climate Resilience Action Plan**
- Austin Strategic Mobility Plan**
- Austin Resource Recovery Comprehensive Plan**
- Austin Energy Resource, Generation, and Climate Protection Plan**
- PARD Long-Range Plan**
- Recommended Land Management Strategies and Climate Vulnerability Analysis for Austin Parks and Recreation Department natural areas, otherwise known as the PARD Land Management Plan**
- Austin/Travis County Community Wildfire Preparedness Plan**
- Central Texas Regional Air Quality Plan**
- Austin/Travis County Food Plan"**

The amendment was approved on an 11-0 vote.

Resolution No. 20240215-025 was approved as amended on Council Member Ryan Alter's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

Mayor Watson recessed the Council Meeting at 1:33 p.m. without objection.

Mayor Watson reconvened the Council Meeting at 2:00 p.m.

ZONING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENTS

The following items were acted on by one motion.

36. C14-2023-0096 - Ben White Boulevard Medical Office - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as 4007 James Casey Street (West Bouldin Creek Watershed). Applicant Request: To rezone from community commercial-vertical mixed use building-neighborhood plan (GR-V-NP) combining district zoning to commercial highway services-planned development area-neighborhood plan (CH-PDA-NP) combining district zoning. Staff Recommendation: To grant commercial highway services-planned development area-neighborhood plan (CH-PDA-NP) combining district zoning. Planning Commission Recommendation: To be reviewed February 13, 2024. Owner/Applicant: St. David's HealthCare Partnership, LP, LLP; Kenneth B. Ferguson Investments, Inc.; KBF Jacobs

South Austin, LLC (Mark Worsham, Kenneth B. Ferguson). Agent: Armbrust & Brown, PLLC (Michael Whellan). City Staff: Nancy Estrada, Planning Department, 512-974-7617. District(s) Affected: District 3.

This item was postponed to February 29, 2024, at the request of Staff on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

37. C14-2023-0005 - Champions Commercial - Tract 4 - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as 6025 North Capital of Texas Highway (Lake Austin and Bull Creek Watersheds). Applicant Request: To rezone from rural residence (RR) district zoning to rural residence-conditional overlay (RR-CO) combining district zoning for Tract 1 and community commercial-conditional overlay (GR-CO) combining district zoning to community commercial-conditional overlay (GR-CO) combining district zoning, to change a condition of zoning, for Tract 2. Staff Recommendation and Zoning and Platting Commission Recommendation: To grant rural residence-conditional overlay (RR-CO) combining district zoning for Tract 1 and community commercial-conditional overlay (GR-CO) combining district zoning for Tract 2. Owner/Applicant: East VH 2222, LLC (Vinod Nagi, President). Agent: Armbrust & Brown, PLLC (Michael J. Whellan). City Staff: Sherri Sirwaitis, 512-974-3057. District(s) Affected: District 10.

This item was postponed to March 21, 2024, at the request of Staff on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

38. C14-2023-0112.SH - The Ridge Apartments - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as 8601, 8609, and 8613 FM 969 Road (Walnut Creek Watershed). Applicant's Request: To rezone from development reserve (DR) district zoning and family residence (SF-3) district zoning to multifamily residence moderate-high density (MF-4) district zoning. Staff Recommendation and Zoning and Platting Commission Recommendation: To grant multifamily residence moderate-high density (MF-4) district zoning. Owner/Applicant: 3423 Investments LLC and MF Austin Ridge LLC. Agent: Monte F. James (James Monte). City Staff: Jonathan Tomko, Planning Department, 512-974-1057. District(s) Affected: District 1.

The public hearing was conducted and a motion to close the public hearing and approve Ordinance No. 20240215-038 for multifamily residence moderate-high density (MF-4) district zoning was approved on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

39. C14-2023-0144 - Domain Northside PDA Amendment - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by zoning property locally known as 3210 Esperanza Crossing (Walnut Creek Watershed). Applicant Request: To rezone from major industry-planned development area (MI-PDA) combining district zoning to major industry-planned development area (MI-PDA) combining district zoning, to change a condition of zoning. Staff and Planning Commission Recommendation: To major industry-planned development area (MI-PDA) combining district zoning, to change a condition of zoning. Owner/Applicant: Domain Northside Retail Property Owner LP

(James W. Geskey, Managing Director). Agent: Armbrust & Brown, PLLC (Richard T. Suttle, Jr.). City Staff: Sherri Sirwaitis, 512-974-3057. District(s) Affected: District 7.

The public hearing was conducted and a motion to close the public hearing and approve Ordinance No. 20240215-039 for major industry-planned development area (MI-PDA) combining district zoning, to change a condition of zoning, was approved on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

40. C14-2022-0157 - Domain I and II PDA Amendment -- Approve third reading of an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by rezoning property locally known as 11506 Century Oaks Terrace and 3414 West Braker Lane (Shoal Creek and Walnut Creek Watersheds). Applicant Request: To rezone from major industrial-planned development area (MI-PDA) combining district zoning to major industrial-planned development area (MI-PDA) combining district zoning, to change a condition of zoning. First Reading approved May 18, 2023. Vote: 11-0. Second Reading approved on June 1, 2023. Vote 9-0 with Mayor Watson and Council Member Alison Alter off the dias. Owner/Applicant: The Domain Mall II, LLC and The Domain Mall, LLC. Agent: Armbrust & Brown, PLLC (Richard Suttle). City Staff: Sherri Sirwaitis, 512-974-3057. District(s) Affected: District 7.

The public hearing was conducted and a motion to close the public hearing and approve Ordinance No. 20240215-040 for major industrial-planned development (MI-PDA) combining district zoning, to change a condition of zoning, was approved on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

41. C14-2023-0118 - 7331 & 7333 Bluff Springs Road - Conduct a public hearing and approve an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 by zoning property locally known as 7331 and 7333 Bluff Springs Road (Onion Creek and South Boggy Creek Watershed). Applicant's Request: To zone from interim-rural residence (I-RR) district zoning to multifamily residence medium density (MF-3) district zoning. Staff Recommendation and Zoning and Platting Commission Recommendation: To grant multifamily residence medium density (MF-3) district zoning. Owner/Applicant: RPM Living (William Krenger). Agent: Drenner Group, P.C. (Leah Bojo). City Staff: Cynthia Hadri, Planning Department, 512-974-7620. District(s) Affected: District 2.

The public hearing was conducted and a motion to close the public hearing and approve Ordinance No. 20240215-041 for multifamily residence medium density (MF-3) district zoning was approved on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

42. C14-00-2195(RCA) (Formerly known as C14-00-2195 (RCT) - Waterline - Conduct a public hearing and approve an amendment to a public restrictive covenant on a property locally known as 92 Red River Street (Waller Creek Watershed). Applicant Request: To amend the public restrictive covenant associated with zoning case C14-00-2195. Staff Recommendation and Planning Commission Recommendation: To amend the public restrictive covenant associated with zoning case C14-00-2195. Owner/Applicant: Waller Creek Owner, LLC. Agent: Armbrust & Brown PLLC, Richard Suttle, Jr. City Staff: Jonathan Tomko, 512-974-1057. District(s) Affected: District 9.

The public hearing was conducted and a motion to close the public hearing and approve Ordinance No. 20240215-042 amending the public restrictive covenant associated with zoning case C14-00-2195 was approved on Council Member Qadri's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on an 11-0 vote.

Mayor Watson adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 29th day of February 2024 on consent vote was approved on Mayor Watson's motion, Council Member Vela's second on a 11-0 vote.