



## **DOWNTOWN COMMISSION**

**MARCH 20, 2024, TIME: 5:30 p.m.**

Austin City Hall, Council Chamber, Room 1001

301 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas 78701

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### **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

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Carl J. Larosche (*Historic Landmark Commission*)

Anne Charlotte Patterson (*Music Commission*)

## **AGENDA**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first ten speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Downtown Commission February 21, 2024 meeting.

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

2. Approve a recommendation to City Council for immediate and future funding that is consistent with other Cultural Districts to support activities in the Red River Cultural District through its management entity, the Red River Merchants Association. Presentation by Nicole Klepadlo, Interim Executive Director, Red River Cultural District.
3. Approve a recommendation to City Council to appropriate funding during the FY 2025 Budget to equip the Austin Police Department and Transportation and Public Works Department with sufficient barricades to enhance pedestrian safety for Downtown activities and events.
4. Approve a recommendation to Council regarding Downtown graffiti policy with updated information presented by Chair Harris, Downtown Commission.

## **DISCUSSION**

5. Presentation on the Downtown Historic Survey by Emily Payne with HHM, Inc., on behalf of the Planning Department, Historic Preservation Division.
6. Presentation on the Equity-Based Preservation Plan by Cara Bertron, Planning Department.
7. Update and discussion regarding actions related to the Downtown Commission taken at the last Music Commission meeting and on short-term rental opportunities to support Hotel Occupancy Tax from music support in Downtown.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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