



***DESIGN COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024***

**The Design Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, September 23, 2024, at the Permitting and Development Center, Room 1405, 6310 Wilhelmina Delco in Austin, Texas.**

**Chair Salinas called the Design Commission meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.**

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:**

*Jon Salinas, Chair  
Josue Meiners, Vice Chair  
Nkiru Gelles  
Kevin Howard  
Ben Luckens  
Marissa McKinney  
Brita Wallace  
Brendan Wittstruck*

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:**

*None.*

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

**None.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Design Commission regular meeting on August 26, 2024.  
**The minutes from the meeting of 08/26/2024 were approved on Commissioner McKinney’s motion, Vice Chair Meiners’ second on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Lukens was off the dais. Commissioners Carroll, Ladner, and Lee were absent.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

2. Discussion and action to recommend to City Council whether the project 701 W 6<sup>th</sup> St, located at 701 and 709 West 6th Street and 510 and 512 Rio Grande Street, complies with the Urban Design Guidelines for the City of Austin in accordance with [Land Development Code § 25-2-586 \(C\)\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#). Presented by Richard Suttle, Armbrust & Brown, and Ray Tse, GDA Architects.  
**The motion that the project 701 W 6<sup>th</sup> St, located at 701 and 709 West 6th Street and 510 and 512 Rio Grande Street, does not comply with the Urban Design Guidelines for the City of Austin in accordance with [Land Development Code § 25-2-586 \(C\)\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) was approved on Vice Chair Meiners' motion, Commissioner Howard's second on a 7-0-1 vote. Chair Salinas abstained. Commissioners Carroll, Ladner, and Lee were absent.**
3. Select a representative to serve on the Downtown Commission per [City Code § 2-1-140](#).  
**No action was taken.**
4. Select a representative to serve on the South-Central Waterfront Advisory Board per [City Code § 2-1-172](#).  
**No action was taken.**
5. Select a meeting date for the November 2024 Design Commission regular meeting.  
**The motion to select Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> for the Design Commission regular meeting was approved on Commissioner Howard's motion, Chair Salinas' second on an 8-0 vote.**

#### **WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

6. Update from the Urban Design Guidelines Working Group regarding the meeting on September 13, 2024.  
**Update was given by Commissioner Howard.**
7. Update from representative of the Joint Sustainability Committee regarding the meeting on August 28, 2024.  
**Update was given by Chair Salinas.**

**Chair Salinas adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m. without objection.**

**The minutes were approved at the 10/28/2024 meeting on Commissioner Howard's motion, Vice Chair Meiners' second on an 8-0-1 vote. Commissioner Carroll abstained. Commissioner Wallace was off the dais.**