



**DOWNTOWN COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2024**

The Downtown Commission convened the regular meeting on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Drive in hybrid meeting format.

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

August Harris, Chair
Ralph E Ishmael Jr., Vice-Chair
Peter Breton
Charles Peveto
David Carroll
Kimberly Levinson
Anne-Charlotte Patterson
Sania D. Shifferd

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE REMOTELY

Liz Coufal
Jennifer Franklin
Amy Mok

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harris called the meeting of the Downtown Commission to order at 5:36 pm.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Downtown Commission regular called meeting on October 16, 2024.

The minutes from the meeting on October 16, 2024, were approved on Vice Chair Ishmael's motion, Commissioner Levinson's second on an 8-0 vote. Commissioner Lavigne was absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Presentation on benchmarking downtown plans in comparable cities by Melissa Barry, Chief Program Officer, Downtown Austin Alliance, and discussion of the update to the Downtown Austin Plan.
The presentation was made by Melissa Barry, Chief Program Officer, Downtown Austin Alliance.
3. Presentation on the Great Streets Plan by Jill Amezcua, Program Manager II, Planning Department.
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4. Presentation on the Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative by Laura Dierenfield, Division Manager, Austin Transportation and Public Works.
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DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. Approve the formation of a Working Group to contribute input to the update of the Downtown Austin Plan.
The motion to approve the formation of a Working Group to contribute input to the update of the Downtown Austin Plan was approved on Commissioner Levinson's motion, Commissioner Peveto's second on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Coufal was off the dais. Commissioner Lavigne was absent.

Vice Chair Ishmael, Commissioners Levinson, Peveto and Shifferd were added to the working group without objection.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Waterloo Greenway (Harris, Levinson)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Harris adjourned the meeting at 7:25 pm without any objection.

The minutes were approved at the December 18, 2024, meeting on Commissioner Levinson's motion, Vice Chair Ishmael's second on a 6-0 vote. Commissioner Shifferd was off the dais. Commissioners Carroll and Lavigne were absent.