

Austin Neighborhoods Council  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, draft  
July 8, 2009  
**6:30pm to 8:30pm**

Minutes prepared by Lisa Harris, Co-Secretary

Present: Danette Chimenti, Lorraine Atherton, Bo McCarver, Steven Aleman, Mary Eichner, Terry Tevis, Susan Pascoe, Jolene Kiolbassa, Patty Sprinkle, Joyce Basciano, Lou O'Hanlon, Lisa Harris, Linda Guerrero, Cory Walton, Guadalupe Sosa and Mark Boyden

6:30pm Call to Order

6:35pm Approval of Minutes (April General/EC)

6:40pm Officer/Committee/Sector Reports

- Treasurer's Report- Linda Guerrero
- ANCTalk new guideline – administrative messages to moderators only. Mark Boyden is developing additional guidelines to reduce issues with “flare ups” on ANCTalk. We will discuss and approve them at a future date.
- ANC resolutions
- Requests for Support
- Austin Cycling Association policy proposal- talk to them and Annick Beaudet to clarify what would be different about this
- WTP#4 resolution- general membership to vote on this in July
- Mary Arnold & WANG raised concerns about Brackenridge Tract (DWPZ), Densification- decision to monitor the situation for now, wait until development and neighborhood proposals are more concrete to take it to the general membership
- Workers Defense Project Resolution- general membership to vote on whether to endorse their statement of principles at July meeting
- Liaisons/Committee/Sponsorship Status
- Heritage Tree Working Group delegate and alternate- Cory Walton is our delegate to this
- ANC Crime and Safety Forum – ANC Central (Lisa Harris) In addition to the previously confirmed participants (Bruce Elfant (moderator) and panelists Judge Hohengarten, David Laibovitz at the DA's office and Troy Schwest of APD) the working group on this has decided to have either a probation officer or someone from the Austin/Travis Co. Reentry Roundtable fill one slot and have someone from the nonprofit Social Innovators fill the last slot on the panel. Lisa Harris contacted Penny Rayfield, Planning Council Chair of the Austin/Travis Co. Reentry Roundtable Tuesday and Penny Rayfield plans to propose a panelist to us by this Thursday
- WQPL Report, a/k/a “Walk for a Day” (Linda Guerrero) Raised concerns about process
- PSP Report (Bo McCarver) Main focus is how to configure a smart grid.
- CapMetro Comprehensive Operations Analysis (Patty Sprinkle)
- ECHO (Ending Community Homelessness)- Bo McCarver is attending this for ANC.
- Sector Issues
- Monthly Meetings
- ANC East – SMD Survey. Soliciting questions to raise other issues in SMD survey
- ANC Central Resolution - Judges Hill Density Bonus- unanimous vote to present Danette Chimenti's proposed alternate wording rather than Jay Tassin's revised

wording to the membership for a vote

- ANC Central Resolution – Residential Registration (Code Enforcement) ANC Central did not come to a consensus on the resolution at Tuesday's meeting. Backing off on the resolution until we see a proposal on the subject that CM Spelman's office is developing

7:30pm Meeting Planning

- July meeting planning
- Comprehensive Plan – Garner Stoll- 40 minutes
- Resolutions (see above) 10 minutes each for votes on WTP #4 and alternate Judges Hill and on Workers Defense Project endorsement
- Girard – billboards- postpone to a later meeting
- NAC (5 minutes)
- August main topic AISD and recommended school closings- try to get Carstarphan. Also 10-15 minutes for Laura Polio on pandemic preparations with a focus on neighborhoods networking to support neighbors checking on each other

7:45pm Ongoing Business and Neighborhood Issues

- BOA Report
- BS PUD update
- Southshore PUD update
- Comprehensive Plan
- Affordable Housing in the Downtown area
- Downtown Austin Plan

8:30pm Adjourn

### **Requests for Time on Agenda**

- Laura Polio – Pandemic Preparations (Aug or Sep)
- Density Bonus and Affordable Housing recommendations from Downtown Plan
- Robert Goode – New Assistant CM over Aviation, Public Works and Solid Waste

### **Potential Program Topics/Agenda Items**

- New Council Members: Bill Spelman and Chris Riley (Sep or Oct)
- AISD – huge increase in age 1-5 students in Austin yet recommended 7 elementary closings
- SCORE – starting a business (Missy Bledsoe suggestion)
- Greg Guernsey – reorg and CIP
- How get Rebates for Energy Efficiency
- Rob Spillar – New Transportation Director
- Howard Lazarus - New Director of Public Works
- Mike Daniel – redistricting, misuse of tax credits and other issues
- Platform of ANC Issues
- Presentation from Aging Services Council – demographics and needs of elderly population
- Avance – early childhood/family programs for low income families