

CITY PLAN COMMISSION URBAN DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE Thursday, June 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Meeting

Dallas City Hall, 1FN

8:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Tipton Housewright (Vice Chair), Evan Beattie, Allison Baker, Carlyn Ray

Others Present:

Cookie Peadon (City Plan Commission District 12), Korey Mack (City Plan Commission District 7), Kourtny Garrett (Downtown Dallas Inc.), Dustin Bullard (Downtown Dallas Inc.), Lily Cabatu Weiss (Dallas Arts District), Suzan Kedron (Jackson Walker), Katie O'Brien (Davis Advocates/Dallas Arts District), Peer Chacko (Planning and Urban Design), Luis Tamayo (Planning and Urban Design), Arturo del Castillo (Planning and Urban Design), Evan Sheets (Planning and Urban Design), Don Raines (Planning and Urban Design), Carnell Brame (Planning and Urban Design), Deme Jackson (Planning and Urban Design), Asma Shaikh (Planning and Urban Design), Camille Choice (Planning and Urban Design), Amy Albright (Planning and Urban Design)

The meeting was called to order by Evan Beattie at 8:30 a.m., as Vice Chair Housewright was not in attendance until later in the meeting. City Plan Commissioners Cookie Peadon and Korey Mack (Districts 12 and 7, respectively) assisted making a quorum. Member Beattie introduced Kourtny Garrett of Downtown Dallas, Inc.

Kourthy Garrett presented an overview on the Downtown Dallas 360 Plan update. She discussed the robust development climate in and near the city center, citing the 180 development projects occurring or announced within a 2.5 mile radius of downtown. The 360 Plan seeks to guide ongoing development with one vision for downtown. Mobility is at the forefront of this vision, with the creation of a set of Urban Mobility Principles to guide development and mobility planning across a wide range of modes.

Committee members commended DDI for an impressive 80% of action items accomplished since the original 2011 Plan. Members discussed homelessness and the value of exploring ways to work with this community and to mitigate the human-related and development-related aspects of this issue. Discussion also touched on how social services and law enforcement continue to play a critical role in the life of the city core, for

instance with the recent rise of the substance K2 and its impact on the streets of downtown.

Lily Cabatu Weiss of the Dallas Arts District briefed Committee on the Arts District Plan update. The Plan update centers on the theme of connection, with regards to housing, cultural programming, and mobility and walkability. The Plan will seek to develop an Arts District that belongs to all citizens of Dallas, while continuing to attract and welcome visitors from across Texas, the U.S., and the world. Zoning regulation updates will include a baseline for urban design standards, a peer review process for major projects, as well as a streamlined licensing procedure for performances and installations within the rightof-way.

Regarding future meetings, Committee will be briefed again (likely July 20) on Downtown 360 and the Dallas Arts District as the planning efforts advance. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved unanimously and the meeting was closed to order at 9:30 a.m.