



CITY OF DALLAS

CITY PLAN COMMISSION
URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 19, 2017
Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Dallas City Hall, 1FN	8:30 a.m.
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Members Present:

Jaynie Schultz (Chair), Tipton Housewright (Vice Chair), Evan Beattie, Noel Aveton, Mike Johnson, Allison Baker

Others Present:

Theresa O'Donnell (Chief Resiliency Officer), Carlyn Ray (Citizen, Member of the arts community), Luis Tamayo (Planning and Urban Design), Asma Shaikh (Planning and Urban Design), Amy Albright (Planning and Urban Design)

The meeting was called to order by Jaynie Schultz (Chair) at 8:30 a.m. Chair Schultz introduced Theresa O'Donnell, Chief Resiliency Officer for the City of Dallas, to present an overview of the City's resiliency efforts as part of the Rockefeller Foundation's "100 Resilient Cities" program.

Theresa O'Donnell explained that resilience is the capacity of individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, and systems within a city to survive, adapt, and grow no matter what kind of chronic stresses and acute shocks they experience. Resilience relates to social, economic, and physical aspects of a city. The world is urbanizing and is in the midst of an information revolution, phenomena which pose questions and invite innovative opportunities for infrastructure, social cohesion, and equity.

Dallas has developed a resiliency strategy focused on four Discovery Areas:

1. Harnessing the power of the robust North Central Texas economy to be more inclusive and create economic resilience for Dallas residents
2. Exploring opportunities to improve Public Health outcomes and decrease health disparity
3. Understanding the impacts of climate change on the natural and built environment, and assessing infrastructure in Dallas neighborhoods

4. Preparing for a 21st century Urban Mobility by leveraging the region's transportation investment to expand mobility options, build mobility infrastructure, and improve transportation equity

Members expressed appreciation for the work being done by the Resiliency team, and a desire to see this work furthered in order to continue strengthening the City.

Committee and Staff recognized and thanked member Mike Johnson, representative for residential neighborhoods, who is stepping down from service after four years. Committee therefore has a new vacancy for this position.

Committee expressed a desire for future meetings to include an update on the draft Neighborhood Planning Guide, the Buckner Terrace area planning effort, and the Bottom. Minutes from the previous two meetings (December 1, 2016 and December 15, 2016) were approved unanimously after a motion by member Aveton and second by member Beattie. The meeting was closed to order at 9:40 a.m.