

CITY PLAN COMMISSION URBAN DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE Thursday, October 29, 2020

Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Virtual Conference	9:00 a.m.

Members Present:

Kristine Schwope (Chair), Ronald Stinson (Vice Chair), Noel Aveton, Rob Baldwin, Erich Dohrer, Carlyn Ray

Others Present:

Wayne Garcia (CPC Commissioner District 14)

Lily Weiss (Arts Districts), Kristina Kirkenaer-Hart (Arts District), Luke Franz (Arts District), Jill Magnuson (Arts District), Katie O'Brien (Arts District), Suzan Kedron

Carnell Brame (Planning & Urban Design), Chalonda Mangwiro-Johnson (Planning & Urban Design), Theresa Pham (City Attorney's Office), Asma Shaikh (Planning & Urban Design), Luis Tamayo (Planning & Urban Design), Nathan Warren (Sustainable Development & Construction)

The meeting was called to order at 9:01am. Carnell Brame conducted a roll call of Urban Design Advisory Committee Members. Wayne Garcia, District 14 CPC Commissioner, was also in attendance.

Chair Schwope opened the discussion of the Arts District Connect Plan, which consisted of the following comments:

- Sidewalk width in zoning refers to unobstructed width. Unclear if width includes required landscape barrier along Woodall Rogers Service Road. Landscape buffer should be considered.
- Uses are thoughtful and will open opportunities in the future.
- Arts District will continue to work toward blanket license for Arts District Public Art Program which advance the goals of activating the street. Public art guide for placement of international and local art suggested. This could include decoration at trolley stops and dart stations.
- Continuity of wayfinding signage suggested throughout district.

- Property owners do not intend to remove living trees, but some are waiting to remove dead cypress trees once new zoning and tree list is approved.
- Consistency of *mandatory* versus *encouraged* language in plan and zoning should be reviewed to ensure there are teeth and that any loopholes are closed. (In response, Art District representatives confirmed that the steering committee was very focused on communicating intent, using *shall* (mandatory), and telling a story.)
- Consider alternative pavement colors for parking lots.
- Traffic study still in progress which could influence changes on Pearl Street and other roadways featured in the plan with an eye towards pedestrian safety.

Arts District representatives reiterated that there is broad consensus to proposed zoning by businesses and landowners within PD areas.

Nathan Warren confirmed that the Arts District Connect Plan and proposed zoning changes would be considered by CPC concurrently and that scheduling was contingent on consideration of the plan by UDAC.

After a motion from Member Aveton and second from Vice Chair Stinson, members unanimously agreed to make a recommendation to CPC to approve the Arts District Connect Plan.

Regarding future meetings, members agreed to meet December 17th following anticipated action by CPC on Arts District Plan and Authorized Hearing. Discussion may include transition to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Committee and planning in the Kleberg area of Southeast Dallas.

The minutes from the January 18, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously with a motion by Member Aveton and second by Vice Chair Stinson. The minutes from the October 15, 2020 meeting were approve unanimously with a motion from Vice Chair Stinson and a second by Member Baldwin. The meeting was closed to order at 9:40am.

The meeting was closed to order at 10:08am.