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SRCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (www.srccatx.org)

TUESDAY, March 4, 2025 @ 7:00 PM by Zoom

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Minutes

Only members may vote. As an officer, you should be a member. Please confirm by emailing membership@srccatx.org. And please register 24 hours in advance.

1. 7:00 SRCC Welcomes Members and Guests

Verification of quorum. President's Report

Presenter throughout unless otherwise noted: Noah Balch, SRCC President (5 min)

The president checked in with members about finalizing the document voted on at our last meeting regarding the effects of the current light rail plan on our neighborhood. We are planning on having the letter done by Friday so that it can be submitted during the community feedback period.

There was discussion about SRCC receiving a letter from the South Central Waterfront Combining District and Density Bonus Plan to the Director of the City Council, some of which related to the bridge expansion at Lady Bird Lake and Riverside.

2. 7:05 Approve Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Vote on motion to approve minutes of February 4, 2025, EC Meeting. For review and editing, minutes are available at: www.srccatx.org.

(5 min)

Minutes were approved.

3. 7:10 Treasurer's Report

All reports available upon request: treasurer@srccatx.org

Presenter: Will Andrews, SRCC Treasurer (5 min)

The treasurer shared income, expenses, and current balance for the months of January & February of this year. For more information, email him.

4. 7:15 Membership Report

Members please pay dues to participate in SRCC business and actions, such as voting and making motions.

Report from Membership Chair regarding efforts to obtain new members.

Presenter: Mary Janecek-Friedman, SRCC Membership (5 min)

Several new members have joined SRCC due to the support the organization is providing regarding the light rail plan and its impacts on neighbors' quality of life. Current membership was 262. At the EC meeting in March of 2024, membership was 247

The membership chair also shared that new members are being connected with their Area Coordinators through an email.

5. 7:20 Reports from Standing Committee Chairs

a) Planning and Zoning

*Neighborhood permits

*Proposed STR rental ordinance allowing STR on every lot

<https://www.kut.org/housing/2025-02-27/austin-tx-short-term-rental-rules-changes-texas-legislative-session>

*Changes in S. Congress combined Plum (West Congress) from Alpine to Lightsey to Ben White to S. 1st for ETOD development

*4 residential ADUs

Changes to Congress South of St. Edwards: An amendment has been proposed to the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) in the outlined area, The proposed changes will greatly impact residents within our boundaries and will affect the future value of their homes. Area residents Vicky Moerbe and Kimm Lanzilotti will draft a resolution opposing the FLUM amendment and present it at our 3/18/25 General Membership Meeting

Short Term Rentals (STR): The Chair of P&Z presented information regarding changes to STR regulations. The City had developed regulations that would require permits, require a distance of 500 feet between STRs and the STR must charge a hotel tax. Implementation of the changes have been put on hold pending legislation at the state level that may have an impact. The City Council is delaying voting on the regulations until May.

Drainage: Members discussed concern about zoning changes that may lead to drainage issues. It seems that the expectation from the City is that the overflow will drain in the streets.

b) Historic Preservation

Meeting on March 21, 2025 between the PARD Director with RNA (Revive Norwood Alliance” members to gauge his interest in Norwood and to ask that funds previously dedicated to Norwood be reallocated back to Norwood..

c) Finance

Committee recommendation regarding including financial data on agenda
The finance committee met to discuss the proposal made at the last general membership meeting. The committee was comfortable publishing data when meetings were held in person and the information was shared within the members in attendance. The committee expressed reluctance to post financial data directly to the internet, and will continue to answer questions directly to individual members that are posed to the treasurer. Questions can be submitted to the treasurer via the email published in the agenda: treasurer@srccatx.org.

d) Mobility

Update on Project Connect comments to DEIS, deadline March 11

The Chair of Mobility reported that a letter is being compiled regarding the neighborhood’s concerns regarding the proposed light rail plan. The letter will be submitted by the March 11 deadline.

It was also reported that parking at Lively MS continues to cause some difficulties for families and faculty.

e) Public Safety

TBD

The Chair of Public Safety encouraged everyone to lock their doors.

f) Parks and Environment

Amplify Austin matches donations to Blunn Creek Nature Preserve through March 6

g) Schools

TBD

h) Communications

*Update on ANC meeting 2-26 and vote regarding Project Connect

*Update on equipment for hybrid meeting technology

Presenters: Committee Chairs or Representatives (15 min)

The Chair of Communications reported that research is being done to determine

ways to make meetings more accessible for those attending over zoom when we hold hybrid meetings. There is a possibility of using more microphones. Betty Weed, SRCC's Representative for the Austin Neighborhood Council reported that SRCC's stance concerning Project Connect was shared at the last meeting. Several neighborhoods also reported similar dislike of the plan as it is proposed. ANC voted against the project in its current form due to its potential negative impacts.

In addition, Betty reported that several bills have been brought forward in the Texas Legislature regarding Zoning. Some of the bills are similar to Austin's HOME Initiative Ordinance and would mainly affect large metropolitan cities, e.g., Houston, El Paso, San Antonio.

6. 7:35 Reports from Ad Hoc Committees

Nominations Committee, Ruth Casarez

Meeting Structure Committee, Carol Martin

(10 min)

Nominations: Mary Fealkoff has agreed to become the President, if elected. A Secretary and Chair of Historic Preservation have not been located. Area Coordinators have agreed to continue in their roles.

Meeting Structure: Discussion delayed.

7. 7:45 Reports from Organizational Representatives

a) TECHS CAT; b) EROC; c) ANC; d) SCC; and e) SCWAB (5 min)

7:50 Reports from Area Coordinators (5 min)

BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS

9. 7:55 Request to support Fund the Cap movement

Presentation by Eric Pace, Chair of East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Association, seeking SRCC's support for urging the City to fund the necessary infrastructure for all the proposed "caps and stitches" over redesigned Interstate Highway 35
<https://www.fundthecaps.com/>

(10 min including Q&A)

Representatives from SRCC were invited to attend a meeting with the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Association (ECCNA). Members of ECCNA are seeking support to request the City to fund the "Caps" that are in the plan for the I-35

improvement project. TexDot will fund the roadway elements, but it is the City's responsibility to fund the "Caps". At this time, TexDot is requesting a portion of the funding to construct the infrastructure needed. City Council has delayed a vote on this issue until May, due to uncertainty with federal funding.

10. 8:15 GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Your Budget, Your Priorities" is an upcoming series of community conversations hosted by Austin City Manager T.C. Broadnax. These sessions are designed to gather community input on City budget priorities and discuss the process and the challenges of drafting the City's proposed budget.

Dates and locations of the sessions are:

- Monday, Feb 24, 6:30 p.m. – McNeil High School Cafeteria, 5720 McNeil Dr.
- Wednesday, Mar 5, 6:30 p.m. – South Austin Recreation Center, 1100 Cumberland Rd
- Monday, Mar 24, 6:30 p.m. – Asian American Resource Center, 8401 Cameron Rd
- Saturday, Mar 29, 10:30 a.m.– Learning and Research Center, 5202 E. Ben White Blvd., Suite 500
- Thursday, Apr 3 at 6:30p.m. – Northwest Recreation Center, 2913 Northland Dr

For more information on this event series and additional ways to provide input, please visit austintexas.gov/budget.

SRCC's **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH** program is always looking for more participants. Anyone interested should contact Tom Groce, SRCC Public Safety Chair at tgroce71@gmail.com.

This link will take you to information about subscribing, unsubscribing, and posting a message to the neighborhood ListServe:

<https://groups.io/g/SouthRiverAustin>

Upcoming **General Membership** meetings (1st Tuesdays): Mar. 18; April 15; May 20; June 17

Upcoming **Executive Committee** meetings (3rd Tuesdays): April 8; May 6,

June 3 , Aug. 5

Frequently used acronyms:

ACF: Austin Community Fund

ANC: Austin Neighborhood Council (<https://www.atxanc.org/>)

BoA: Board of Adjustment

CDC: Community Development Corporation

EROC: East Riverside/Oltorf Combined Contact Team

FLUM: Future Land Use Map

GSRC: Greater South River City Neighborhood Planning Contact Team

NCCD: Neighborhood Conservation Combining District

NHPA: National Historic Preservation Act

NPCT: Neighborhood Planning Contact Team

PC: Planning Commission

PUD: Planned Unit Development

SCC: South Central Coalition of neighborhood associations

SCWAB: South Central Waterfront Advisory Board

SF: Single Family zoning category

ZAP: Zoning and Platting

Agenda Prepared by vicepresident@srccatx.org and president@srccatx.org

Agenda subject to change. Please check www.srccatx.org for the most updated version.

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