



## **DRAFT HOUSING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

April 14, 2026

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### **Committee Members' Present:**

1. Natasha Harper-Madison- Chair (Virtual)
2. Mike Siegel- Vice Chair
3. Jose "Chito" Vela
4. Paige Ellis

### **Call to Order**

Vice Chair, Council Member Siegel called the committee meeting to order at 1:02p.m.

### **Public Communication: General**

There were two speakers.

### **Approval of Minutes**

#### **1. Approve the minutes for the February 10, 2026, Housing and Planning Committee Special Called Meeting.**

The minutes for the February 10, 2026, meeting of the Housing and Planning Committee were approved with Mayor Pro Tem Vela's motion, and Council Member Ellis' second, on a 4 – 0 vote.

### **Briefing by Presentation**

#### **2. Briefing on the status and timeline of amendments to the Land Development Code.**

The Committee received a briefing on this topic from Stevie Greathouse, Division Manager - Austin Planning.

#### **3. Briefing on research related to preventing eviction**

The committee received a briefing from Awais Azhar, PhD, Executive Director - HousingWorks

#### **4. Briefing on compliance and monitoring of properties participating in the Rental Housing Development Assistance Program and updates to tenant protections.**

The committee received a briefing from Brendan Kennedy, Program Manager and Casey Smith, Process Improvement and Data Analytics Manager - Austin Housing.

#### **5. Briefing on potential future Homestead Preservation Districts.**

Committee received a briefing from Rachel Tepper, Planner Principal - Austin Housing; Mark Gilbert, Director/ Real Estate Advisory – Hayat Brown.

### **Future Items**

#### **6. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.**

No items were identified.

**Vice Chair Siegel adjourned the meeting at 2:14p.m.**