



REGULAR MEETING OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION
MONDAY, June 22, 2026, 6:00 P.M.
PERMITTING AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER, ROOM 1405
6310 WILHELMINA DELCO DRIVE
AUSTIN, TEXAS

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CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:

Marissa McKinney, Chair
Kevin Howard, Vice Chair
Ramachandra "Rao" Aradhyula
David Carroll
Nkiru Gelles
Saira Khan

Conners Ladner
Josue Meiners
Evgenia "Jenny" Murkes
Jon Salinas
Brendan Wittstruck

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first five speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Design Commission regular meeting on May 18th, 2026.

Discussion Items

2. Discussion on alley access and promoting the use of alley spaces for economic vitality. Sponsors: Commissioner Nkiru Gelles and Commissioner Jon Salinas.
3. Discussion on clarifying the purpose and mandate of the Design Commission. Sponsors: Commissioner Jenny Murkes and Vice Chair Kevin Howard.
4. Discussion of Downtown Density Bonus Program (DDBP) Phase I background and context, including discussion of the Design Guidelines Working Group recommendations, and

discussion regarding the approach, strategy, and stakeholder engagement process for DDBP Phase II. Sponsors: Vice Chair Kevin Howard and Commissioner David Carroll.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. Discussion and action items regarding the makeup of the Urban Design Guidelines Working Group. Sponsors: Chair Marissa McKinney and Commissioner Brandon Wittstruck.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

City Code requires at least two board members sponsor an item to be included on an agenda. This section of the agenda provides members an opportunity to request items for future agendas. Staff should assume that if there is no objection from other members expressed at the meeting, the members' silence indicates approval for staff to include on the next agenda.

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