



**THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE PROJECT CONNECT
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

MEETING MINUTES

June 11, 2026

ATP Office | Conference Room

203 Colorado Street, Austin, TX 78701

(with some members of the CAC participating via video conference)

Members in Attendance:

Awais Azhar- Chair
Susan Somers-Vice Chair
Jay Blazek Crossley
Ruven Brooks
Edgar Handal
Cutter Gonzalez

Members Absent:

Marcel Garza
Liz McGehee
Catalina Berry- Secretary
Michael Gorse
Stacey Suits

Attendees:

Yannis Banks
Jennifer Pyne
Peter Partheymuller
Sophie Petkus
Evelyn Mitchell
Chris Ryerson
Mercy Okoye
Chris Ryerson

Jocelyn Vokes
Terry Hockins

CALL TO ORDER

The Project Connect Community Advisory Committee was convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, June 11th, 2026. Chair Azhar called the Committee meeting to

order at 5:09 PM.

Land Acknowledgement

This item was skipped due to Secretary Berry's absence.

Community Communication

No communications at this time.

Approval of Minutes

- 1. Approve the minutes of the May 14th, 2026, general meeting of the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee.**

The minutes of the May 14, 2026, general meeting was approved, on a motion by Vice Chair Somers, seconded by Chair Azhar; confirmed unanimously (6-0).

Action Items

- 1. Working Group Appointments**

No appointments were made at this time.

- 2. Tentative Budget Recommendations**

This item was postponed.

Discussion Items

- 1. Imagine Austin**

- a. Evelyn Mitchell, Principal Planner and Project Lead, gave a presentation on the Imagine Austin comprehensive plan. The presentation was followed by a question-and-answer session.

- i. Contributions to the conversation were added by Chris Ryerson, Division Manager.

- 2. Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint Scorecard Update**

- a. Rachel Tepper, Principal Planner and Mercy Okoye, Senior Planner, gave a presentation detailing an overview of the Austin Strategic Housing Blueprint Scorecard. The presentation was followed by questions-and-answer session.

- i. Contributions to the conversation were added by Chair Azhar, Executive

Director of Housing Works Austin.

Staff Updates

1. Austin Transit Partnership Update

Yannis Banks, Senior Public Involvement Manager, reminded the members of the communications protocol for CAC members and to expect communications from ATP requesting audit recommendations for the upcoming year.

2. City of Autin Staff Update

No updates were provided at this time.

3. CapMetro Staff Update

Yannis Banks, Senior Public Involvement Manager for ATP, gave an update on behalf of CapMetro, reminding members of the upcoming June Service change.

4. Working Group Updates

No updates were provided at this time.

Future Items

Vice Chair Somers requested an update on the ATP Public Art Program.

ADJOURN

Chair Azhar adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM without objection.