



**Hemisfair Park Area Redevelopment Corporation**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Friday, January 14th, 2022**  
**8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Cara DeAnda, Chair  
Steve Yndo, Treasurer  
Lucio Cantu  
Lori Houston  
Rod Radle  
Sue Ann Pemberton  
Kristi Wyatt

**Staff Members in Attendance:**

Andres Andujar  
Gary Boyd  
Geoff Baldwin  
Jane Linde  
Thea Setterbo  
Traci Lewand

**Board Members Not Present:**

Juan Landa, Vice Chair  
Ben Gorzell  
Tracy Hammer  
Martha Martinez-Flores  
Corina Castillo-Johnson, Secretary

**Other Guests & Visitors:**

Anne Krause, Hemisfair Conservancy  
Dr. Ed Gronet  
John Aberle, Alteza Resident  
Karl Baker, Golden Steves  
Lewis Vetter, Conservation Society  
Nancy Ozuna, BKD  
Omar Gonzalez, Pearl-BUILD  
Sara Henderson, BKD  
Trey Jacobson, Momentum Consulting

**A. Call to Order**

Mr. Yndo called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

**B. Citizens to be Heard**

There were no citizens to be heard.

**C. Approval of October 8, 2021, and November 12, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Yndo was selected to run the meeting due to Ms. DeAnda attending virtually. He presented the October 8, 2021 and November 12, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes for comment and discussion. Ms. DeAnda offered a motion to accept the minutes and Ms. Wyatt provided a second. There being no further discussion, Mr. Yndo asked for a voice vote and the motion passed unanimously.

**D. CEO Report**

Mr. Andujar recognized Mr. Gonzalez for his 10 years of service to Hemisfair. Ms. Setterbo read an Honorary Certificate of Resolution Acknowledging Service Rendered by Mr. Gonzalez. Ms. DeAnda made a motion to approve the Resolution and Ms. Pemberton seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Krause announced a Conservancy funding campaign which will culminate in a tree planted in Civic Park and a donor ring in honor of Mr. Gonzalez.

**E. Briefing and Possible Action regarding FY2021 Financial Audit**

Ms. Henderson and Ms. Ozuna presented the results of the Hemisfair FY2021 Financial Audit. They commended Hemisfair on an unmodified audit with no proposed changes. Mr. Radle motioned to approve the Audit and Ms. DeAnda seconded, the motion passed unanimously.



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**F. Briefing and Possible Action Regarding Hemisfair Conservancy Annual Report**

Ms. Krause thanked Board members who attended the Wells Fargo tree-planting event. She reported that the Kelleher Family has increased their support to the conservancy and will have the Great Lawn renamed to honor them. Ms. Krause shared the Hemisfair Conservancy maintains its GuideStar Platinum Rating, placing it in the top 0.1% in the nation for financial transparency. She presented the Conservancy's 2021 year-end fundraising totals, and the distribution of funds. Mr. Andujar expressed his gratitude to the Conservancy.

**G. Briefing and Possible Action Regarding Design Contract Approval for the Peggy Mays Garden**

Mr. Boyd presented the plans for the Peggy Mays Garden. Mr. Radle asked if the Garden will be protected from the crowds at large-scale events, and Mr. Boyd confirmed that the gardens will have low fences and hedges protecting their borders. Ms. Lewand also commented that event organizers have been informed about the Garden's construction and that their footprints have changed to accommodate them. Ms. DeAnda made a motion to approve the changes to the contract, and Ms. Pemberton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Board Committee Updates**

**Executive**

There was no Executive update.

**External Relations**

Branding committee will now be called External Relations to better encompass its purpose. Ms. Setterbo announced the groundbreaking ceremony of Civic Park on Jan. 26 where Mayor Nirenberg and City Manager Walsh will be speaking. Ms. Lewand reported on upcoming events and a new partnership with H-E-B to continue Super Fun Saturday programming.

**Finance**

The audit had been presented.

**Planning and Development**

Civic Park will have its groundbreaking. Künstler is under design for its space in Pereida house with an expected opening date in late summer. Bombay Bicycle Club is in the construction bidding process.

**Executive Session**

The board entered executive session at 9:27am and emerged at 9:58 am. The topics of the Executive Session didn't require public discussion or action.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:01am.

**ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT**

This meeting was conducted in-person and on Zoom, according to temporary exemptions from the State Open Meetings Act, which required the Chair (or her designee) and the CEO to be physically present, along with accommodations for the public.