



**Hemisfair Park Area Redevelopment Corporation  
Board Meeting Minutes  
November 14th, 2025  
8:30am-10:00am**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Cara DeAnda, Chair  
Juan Landa, Vice Chair  
Lucio Cantu  
Corina Castillo-Johnson  
Steve Yndo  
Francisco Gonima  
Shannon Miller

**Board Members Not Present:**

Ben Gorzell  
Martha Martinez-Flores  
Dr. Ana M. "Cha" Guzman  
Sue Ann Pemberton

**Staff Members in Attendance:**

Melissa Robinson  
Geoff Baldwin  
Lauren Leija  
Summer Kohler

Hilda Valdez  
Jane Linde  
Elijah Chatman  
Ian Davis

**Other Guests & Visitors:**

Melanie Goebel, Golden Steves  
Susan Thompson, Hemisfair  
Conservancy  
Kay Ness, Alteza resident

**A. Call to Order**

Ms. DeAnda called the meeting to order at 8:35am.

**B. Citizens to be Heard.**

There were none.

**C. Approval of September 26th, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Lando made a motion to approve, and Mr. Yndo seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**D. CEO Report**

Ms. Robinson reported that the empty board seats will be filled after review by the mayor. She thanked the board and staff for supporting her involvement with the Urban Land Institute and her trip to San Francisco which allowed her to take a deep dive into other developments and their strategies.

**E. Board Committee Updates**

Executive- Executive committee updates were included in the CEO report.

**External Relations-** Ms. Kohler was introduced as Hemisfair's new Marketing and Engagement Coordinator.



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Hemisfair's social media impressions are up by %108 and followers have increased by 2%. A viral video of Jesse Borrego telling the story of the Blue Panther artwork was viewed by 70,000 people on facebook and 37,000 people on Instagram.

Mr. Davis reviewed the Fall festivals and presented some attendance statistics for them. They remain overall consistent from other years.

**Finance-** The financial audit is underway.

**Planning and Development-** The business selected for Sweeney house is Mural Ride, which will have minimal buildout and should open over the summer.

The wedge license is not moving forward as the developer and HPARC could not agree on terms of use. D1 and D2 is working on their designs to submit to HDRC. The plot is currently a temporary parking lot but must break ground in May 2026. After design approval, there should be a press release so that the community is aware of plans for the space that include retail, food, and porous access into the district.

The Older Adult area is moving forward with design and construction documents.

**F. Executive Session**

*Hemisfair may meet in executive session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of certain real properties; personnel matters; or pending litigation.*

D1/D2 Parcel Development

The board entered Executive Session at 9:34am. Three motions were made and all three passed.

- 1) HPARC Board authorizes Interim CEO to execute a construction contract for improvements for the Tynan-Sweeney house not to exceed \$500,000 using federal grant funds received.
  - a. Ms. Castillo-Johnson made the motion, Ms. DeAnda made the second and motion passed
- 2) HPARC Board approves the Revenue Sharing Agreement Second Amendment and delegates full authority to the Executive Committee to finalize the HPARC Funding Agreement Third Amendment subject to clarification from the City of San Antonio staff on future bond support for Hemisfair Blvd., Phase 3.
  - a. Ms. DeAnda made the motion, Mr. Landa made the second and motion passed
- 3) HPARC Board delegates full authority to the Executive Committee to determine if a search is warranted for the CEO position, and if not, negotiate an offer to the interim CEO. The final negotiated contract will require Board approval
  - a. Ms. Castillo-Johnson made the motion, Mr. Gonima made the second and motion passed

**The meeting adjourned at 10:34am.**