# Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of OST/Almeda Corridors Redevelopment Authority

The Board of Directors of OST/Almeda Corridors Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") held a joint meeting open to the public with the Board of Directors of Reinvestment Zone Number Seven, City of Houston (the "Zone") on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. at One Emancipation Center, 3131 Emancipation Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77004, to consider, discuss and adopt such orders, resolutions, or motions, and take other direct or indirect actions as may be necessary, convenient, or desirable. The roll was called of all duly appointed members of the Board:

Position #	Board Members
1	Algenita Scott Davis
2	Open
3	Cortney Robinson Jones
4	Brian G. Smith
5	Lauren Haller Fontaine
6	Cathy Evans-Jackson
7	Michael R. Williams

All of the above board members attended in person, excluding Director Brian Smith. Others attending in person were Clark Lord, Dr. Karun Sreerama, Naomi Carrier, Ken Rodgers, Andrew Busker, Nathan Seshadri, Dr. Teddy McDavid, Gerald Wilson, Robert Bradford, Deanea LeFlore, Tucker Toole, Corey Glenn, Kennedy Haynes, Keith Sheffield, Floyd Smith, Hexser Holliday II, Tia Alexander, Katina Hightower, and Anthony Gordon. The following attended via Zoom: Jason Oliver, Connie Cochran, Danielle Page, and Deborah Juneau.

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 P.M. by the Board Chair, Algenita Scott Davis.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dr. Teddy McDavid, from the Old Spanish Trail Community Partnership, reported to the board that the construction on Old Spanish Trail by the Texas Department of Transportation is causing issues for businesses in the corridor. Also, Dr. McDavid provided updates on the Alley Theatre Renovations and updates for the Society of the Performing Arts.

Naomi Carrier, Founder of the Texas Center for African American Living History, provided information on upcoming projects in the Third Ward area with the Third Ward Cultural District, the Cloth, and Friends of the Columbia Tap Trail.

Keith Sheffield, owner of 5<sup>th</sup> Round Services and Landscaping, told the board he had performed landscaping and lawn maintenance services for OST/Almeda Corridors Redevelopment Authority – TIRZ 7 for over 20 years and wishes to continue providing his services in the Greater Third Ward area.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion by Director Cathy Evans-Jackson, and seconded by Director Cortney Robinson-Jones, the Board of Directors approved the agenda and the minutes of the previous meeting on September 26, 2025, for the Authority and the Zone; and approved the Expenditures Report for the Period Ended September 30, 2025.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON ADMINISTRATION AND ADVANCEMENT**

Upon motion by Director Cathy Evans-Jackson and seconded by Director Michael R. Williams, the Board of Directors received the Executive Director's Report on Administration and Advancement as presented by Deanea LeFlore, Executive Director.

# **FINANCE AND OPERATIONS**

The Board of Directors received the Finance and Operations Report presented by Floyd Smith, Director of Operations. The report included updates on the following: 1.) October 2025 Financial Statements 2.) FY 2025 Financial Audit 3.) The 2019 Bond Series drawdown, 4.) Procurement Policy Updates, and 5.) Texas Legislative Updates: Open Meetings Act Amendment, HB1522 – Budget Posting Requirements and Proposed New Board Meeting Schedule.

Upon motion by Finance and Operations Committee and seconded by the Board of Directors, who approved the amended FY2026 Annual Budget to increase the Municipal Services Charge from \$887,566.00 to \$1,277,179.00 from the City of Houston.

Upon motion by the Finance and Operations Committee, the Board of Directors approved the new Proposed Board Meeting Schedule for the Calendar Year 2026.

### **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

The Board of Directors received the Capital Projects Report as presented by Hexser Holliday II, Director of Capital Projects, Planning and Development, and Dr. Karun Sreerama with Agility Engineering and Management, Inc. regarding the Emancipation Avenue Reconstruction Project (CIP #T-0711A) for Emancipation Avenue Mill and Overlay with Curbs and Sidewalk Repair, Live Oak Street Improvement Project (CIP # T-0724), Greater Third Ward Neighborhood Streets Project – Section B (CIP# T-0722 B); and Historic Holman Street Reconstruction Project (CIP #T-0713) Third Ward Streets and Sidewalk Improvements Project.

Upon motion by Director Cortney Robinson-Jones and seconded by Director Cathy Evans-Jackson, the Board of Directors approved to authorize the Executive Director to approve a Change Order for a Not-to-Exceed amount of \$15,000 for MC2 Civil for hydro jetting and vacuuming to clean and clear compacted drainage pipes; and closed-circuit television (CCTV) inspection of storm sewer lines to televise condition of existing pipe and draining inlets located beneath Emancipation Avenue, Emancipation Avenue Reconstruction Project (CIP# T-0711A).

The Board of Directors tabled authorizing the Executive Director to issue an RFP for solar-powered security cameras along portions of the Columbia Tap Trail.

#### **NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 12:30 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Cathy Evans-Jackson, Board Secretary

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 P.M.

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of Reinvestment Zone Number Seven, City of Houston, Texas

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