

## **MINUTES**

### **SRCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ([www.srccatx.org](http://www.srccatx.org))**

**Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 7:00 PM**

#### **AI Zoom Summary**

***SRCC: See the future. Shape the future.***

## **AGENDA**

*Sign up or renew your membership at [www.srccatx.org](http://www.srccatx.org). There is a 28-day holding period before you can make/second motions or vote. For questions: [membership@srccatx.org](mailto:membership@srccatx.org). **If attending by Zoom, please register at least 24 hours in advance.***

### **1. 7:00 Welcome and Announcements**

*Presenter: President, Mary Fealkoff (5 min)*

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm. President reminded attendees about meeting protocols.

### **2. 7:05 Approve Minutes from previous meetings**

***Vote*** on motion to approve minutes from May 20, 2025, GM Meeting. Meeting minutes available at: [www.srccatx.org](http://www.srccatx.org). **(5 min)**

Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

### **3. 7:10 Treasurer's Report**

All reports available upon request: [treasurer@srccatx.org](mailto:treasurer@srccatx.org)

*Presenter: Treasurer, Will Andrews (5 min)*

Treasurer was unable to attend. No change from last month. Reports can be received by emailing [treasurer@srccstx.org](mailto:treasurer@srccstx.org).

### **4. 7:15 Membership Report**

Members must pay dues to participate in SRCC business and actions, such as voting and making motions. Try the subscription option for automatic annual renewals.

*Presenter: SRCC Membership, Mary Janecek-Friedman (5 min)*

Membership is down slightly from last year.

### **5. 7:20 Reports from Standing Committee Chairs**

*a) Planning and Zoning; b) Historic Preservation; c) Finance; d) Mobility; e) Public Safety; f) Parks and Environment; g) Schools; h) Communications (10 min)*

Planning and Zoning—Chair Anita Tschurr suggested we read the document attached to an email sent out today. [Planning & Zoning](#)

Historic Preservation—Co-Chair Barbara Cilley introduced herself. A committee meeting has been held, and there is a desire for a sign designating the Historic District. Placement of the sign is yet to be determined. The idea of a local historic district was proposed, in addition to the National Historic District. The Historic Preservation Committee discussed having an event to educate folks about what a historic district is, perhaps along with the Travis Heights Art Trail.

Finance—There hasn't been a Finance meeting since the last GM meeting.

Mobility—Chair Mark Thompson shared a document ([Austin Light Rail SoCo Configurations](#)) in the chat for members to review.

Public Safety—Chair Tom Groce requested the help of volunteers for patrolling. Right now he is doing it on his own.

Parks and Environment—Co chairs David Todd and Jeff Kessel met on 6/15/2025 in Little Stacy Park with Kirsten Schneider (arborist), Jesse Neuman (tree planting manager), and Dwight Carrington (maintenance supervisor) from the Parks Department. They requested that the use of weed-whackers around the trees be discontinued in order to protect the health of the trees. There was also discussion related to the establishment of areas to nurture tree growth by marking off no-mow areas, and planting new trees. David Todd reported that Jerry Levenson, Owen Moorhead, and Patrick Chaiken marked saplings and brush today to be thinned in Blunn Creek Nature Preserve, along a 50-foot buffer on either side of the major trails. The thinning will allow stronger and larger trees to flourish, reduce fire risk, and improve visibility and users' sense of security. Anita Tschurr expressed concern about wildfires. The chair explained that the thinning of the trees will help with reducing fire risk (in addition to the fire buffer that was cut recently, and the controlled pile burns that occurred earlier this year.

Schools--Chair unable to attend. School is out for the summer.

Communications—Chair Betty Weed has done research about sharing privileges to edit the map on the website so that responsibilities can be shared.. It appears that the map is “owned” by the communications chair, and cannot be edited by others. Research is being done to purchase microphones for hybrid meetings.

## **6. 7:30 Reports from Area Coordinators and Group Representatives**

*a) TECHS CAT; b) ANC; c) SCC; d) EROC; e) GSRC NPCT; f) SCWAB; g) St. Edward's (10 min)*

EROC—Gayle Goff reported that EROC's General Meeting featured Council District 3 Chief of Staff. One topic discussed was regarding the status of contact teams for neighborhood plans. She indicated there had been no discussions, pro or con, regarding their status.

Heritage Oaks Park news: it is getting a nature play area RIGHT NOW!! It will be completed by about the time school starts. Watershed protection is looking at the condition of the pond in the park regarding the runoff coming from the apartments directly south.

The re-zoning cases of the Time Insurance property (at the SE corner of IH35 & E Riverside & in SRCC Area 6) has been placed on “indefinite postponement” by the owners and agent. This is possibly to review progress of the IH35 construction & City plans for the E Riverside Corridor. The postponement will need to be addressed again in about 6 months.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **7. 7:40 Blunn Creek**

Discussion of pedestrian crossing over Blunn Creek.

*Presenter: Russell Fraser, Area 2 Coordinator (5 min)*

Russell has spoken to parents who are concerned for the safety of their students at Travis Heights Elementary School as they use the Blunn Creek hike/bike trail coming and going to school. Although traffic humps, signage and a flashing light already exist on East Annie Street there are no “traffic humps” immediately adjacent to the crossing on this street. Also, the “crossing” signage on East Annie is limited compared with the Woodland Drive approach.

Members suggested the addition of a speed hump and a crossing guard, etc. It

was suggested that this is a mobility issue and a school's issue. The Area Coordinator will consult with chairs of those committees to discuss the issue and determine next steps.

[City of Austin Pedestrian Document](#)  
[Blunn Creek Crossing Issue](#)  
[Proposed Motion for SRCC](#)

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **8. 7:45 Project Connect**

Discussion of Light Rail design for South Congress track.

*Presenter: Mark Thompson, Mobility Committee (5 min)*

Austin Transit Partnership held a workshop to discuss locations of stations and traffic changes related to light rail. Many thanks for SRCC members who attended the workshops. Members of SRCC discussed difficulties along South Congress and Riverside related to the Light Rail design.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Carol Martin reported that the application packet asking Parks Dept to name Little Stacy Shelter House in honor of Jean Mather will be submitted this week.

Ken Burnett shared the following links:

The link to exhibit at the AALI BlackX conference at the Long Center is below.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevte6KFqDk-fXn5Kk886eqylPnTzOQuEDPeo-oNaHS3qVMeQ/viewform?pli=1>

The link to the Roots and Wings Festival can be found below.

<https://rootsandwingsfest.com/>

### **Upcoming meetings:**

GM (3rd Tuesday) July 15, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16

EC (1st Tuesday) July 1, Sep. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:** contact Tom Groce, SRCC Public Safety Chair at:  
[tgroce71@gmail.com](mailto:tgroce71@gmail.com)

If you have questions about using the Neighborhood ListServ:

<https://groups.io/g/SouthRiverAustin>

Check crime reports and statistics here:

[https://www.krimelabb.com/basic/view/v\\_welcome.php](https://www.krimelabb.com/basic/view/v_welcome.php)

The next **General Membership** meeting is **July 15, 2025**

The next **Executive Committee** meeting is **July 1, 2025**

Frequently used acronyms: **ACF**-Austin Community Fund; **ANC**-Austin Neighborhood Council; **BoA**-Board of Adjustment; **CDC**-Community Development Corporation; **ERO**C-East Riverside/Oltorf Combined Contact Team; **FLUM**-Future Land Use Map; **GSRC NPCT**-Greater South River City Neighborhood Planning Contact Team; **NCCD**-Neighborhood Conservation Combining District; **NHPA**-National Historic Preservation Act; **NPCT**-Neighborhood Planning Contact Team; **PC**-Planning Commission; **PUD**-Planned Unit Development; **SCC**-South Central Coalition of neighborhood associations; **SF**-Single Family zoning category; **TECHS CAT**-Travis Early College High School Campus Architectural Team; **ZAP**- Zoning and Platting

**Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm**

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