

Minutes

SRCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (www.srccatx.org)

Tuesday, July 1, 2025, 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

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AGENDA

Sign up or renew your membership at www.srccatx.org. There is a 28-day holding period before you can make/second motions or vote. For questions:

*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. President Mary Fealkoff reminded attendees about meeting protocols. She noted that the newsletter is being distributed. Members who have distributed in the neighborhood received positive feedback. The next newsletter should be released in October and will be longer than the current condensed version.

2. 7:05 Approve Minutes from previous EC Meeting, June 3, 2025, EC Meeting.

Meeting minutes available at: www.srccatx.org. **(5 min)**

Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

3. 7:10 Treasurer's Report

All reports available upon request: treasurer@srccatx.org

Presenter: Treasurer, Will Andrews (5 min)

The Treasurer was unable to attend. Reports can be received by emailing treasurer@srccstx.org. Sam Martin, Chair of Finance, noted that there was little change from last month. A fee to the Parks and Recreation has been paid to apply for the renaming of the shelter in Stacy Park for Jean Mather. The cost of the recent newsletter is still pending.

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 numbers are comparable to what it was a year ago. Mary reminded attendees about the courtesy of muting microphones when not speaking.

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–See notes below, item 8.

Historic Preservation– Barbara Cilley shared information about two upcoming Landmark Commission items, including opposing a demolition permit at 1703 Alameda and supporting a rear addition at 515 East Mary.

Mobility–Discussion covered several neighborhood issues, including traffic concerns on South Lamar and South Congress, with Mark Thompson, Mobility Chair, noting that North South traffic on South Congress might be increased to compensate for South Lamar's poor conditions.

Public Safety–Tom Groce, Chair of Public Safety, provided an update on public safety, mentioning interest in neighborhood watch participation and observing that crime tends to occur on major boulevards rather than within the neighborhood association boundaries. Vicky Moerby raised concerns about car thefts in her area, particularly south of Saint Edwards, with multiple cars stolen since May, though she was unable to confirm whether these were part of a larger theft ring. Mary Fealkoff shared her experience of encountering unhoused individuals in the park, including one person using a small burner near the trees, which concerned her due to the fire risk.

Communications–See notes at the beginning of the meeting regarding the newsletter. Many thanks to Ruth Casarez for her work in collecting stories and getting them published.

6. 7:30 Report from Ad-Hoc Jean Mather Memorial Committee

Presenter: Carol Martin (5 min)

Carol Martin, Chair of the Ad-Hoc Committee, shared updates on the Jean Mather Memorial Committee's progress, reporting that a packet of letters of support has been prepared and the application is pending final documentation.

7. 7:35 Reports from Area Coordinators and Group Representatives

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

NEW BUSINESS

8. 7:45 Report from Planning and Zoning, 600 Riverside

Presenter: Anita Tschurr, Committee Chair (10 min)

The executive committee discussed a potential new development project on Riverside Drive previously known as Cider Cade, Joe's Crab Shack, and Landry's. A Canadian company plans to build 210 condos over the next two years. Anita Tschurr, Planning and Zoning Chair shared that the development would be 510 feet tall and located near the lake, raising concerns about traffic and congestion. Mark Thompson, Mobility Chair, shared insights about parking minimums and a planned electrical conditioning station for Cap Metro's light rail at the site. Anita is seeking information about a signed agreement from the developer. Tom Groce offered to review his notes from the South Central Waterfront Board meetings for any relevant information. Robin Sanders warned that the city is unlikely to enforce any deed restrictions or private agreements, suggesting that legal action might be needed to challenge the development. The group agreed to investigate further, with Mary Fealkoff offering to check deed records and Betty Weed suggesting they consult Brooke Kasson for more information about any private agreements related to Riverside Drive.

Membership discussed having Barbara MacArthur speak at their September general membership meeting to provide a legislative update, with Mary Fealkoff suggesting a 15-minute time slot.

9. 7:50 Nominate and Vote, Barbara Cilley HPC Co-Chair

Presenter: Clif Ladd, Historic Preservation Committee Co-Chair (5 min)

[VOTE ANTICIPATED]

The Executive Committee voted to appoint Barbara Cilley as co-chair of the Historic Preservation Committee. Motion made by Ken Burnett, seconded by Robin Sanders.

Vote Count—Favor: 10, Oppose: 0; Abstain: 0

10. 7:55 Report regarding the ANC Resolution: Keep Austin Local

Presenter: Betty Weed, ANC Representative (5 min)

Betty Weed, ANC Rep, introduced a resolution being proposed by ANC. Discussion focused on a resolution opposing the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority's (CTRMA) proposed expansion of Mopac, which would create a high-speed loop around Austin with toll lanes and potentially impact water quality in the Barton Springs recharge area. Betty explained the resolution's opposition to the project, which was previously rejected in 2015, and emphasized the need for a current environmental

impact statement. The group agreed to support the resolution at their upcoming general membership meeting, with Betty offering to provide additional information on the "Keep Mopac Local" website.

11. 8:00 ROOTS AND WINGS Event Announcement

Presenter: Ken Burnett, SRCC Co-VP (5 min)

Ken Burnett, Co-VP, shared more information with membership, including a recording of an informational session. The group discussed organizing an event for the Roots and Wings Festival in late October/early November. Ken proposed hosting educational activities or live music at Little Stacy Park, with ideas including a butterfly parade or craft activities for children. Betty, who previously organized the 4th of July parade, advised that successful events require significant planning and coordination with multiple stakeholders. The group agreed to pursue a smaller-scale event this year, potentially involving milkweed planting for children, while aiming to make it an annual tradition in future years. Ken will compile ideas and contact the festival coordinator, while Mary Friedman offered to help coordinate with the city regarding park permits.

Upcoming meetings:

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

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

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: contact Tom Groce, SRCC Public Safety Chair at:
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

The next **Executive Committee** meeting is **September 2, 2025**

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

Frequently used acronyms: **ACF**-Austin Community Fund; **ANC**-Austin Neighborhood Council; **BoA**-Board of Adjustment; **CDC**-Community Development Corporation; **EROC**-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

Minutes prepared by Mary Friedman, membership chair

In the absence of a secretary, Zoom's AI Summary Feature was used extensively in these minutes.