# **Restore Rundberg Team Meeting**

Guerrero Thompson Elementary School

102 E Rundberg Ln.

September 24, 2015

6:30-7:00pm

***Call to order: 6:37pm***

**In Attendance**

Team Members & Designees: Ming Chu, Monica Guzmán, Ann Teich, Randy Teich, Erica Saenz, Aida Cerda-Prazak, Linda Powers, Rick Randall, Cary Roberts, Donald Baker, Roberto Perez

CARY: Shana Fox, Melissa Axton

Youth Spiritual Empowerment Program: Farzad Mashhood, Safaa Hansen

APD: Kyran Fitzgerald, Ray Kianes, Kevin Leverenz, Allen McClure, Adam Soliz, Philip Kearney, Keith Walker, Cecile Fandos

UT: David Springer, Jennifer Hernandez

UT School of Communication students (observing for their team communications project): Cody Church and three others

City of Austin Code Department: Nancy Chan

City of Austin SWIM 512: Laura Cortez

UT School of Social Work summer project on area properties: Jessica Barszczak, Jennifer Ballow

**AGENDA**

**Old Business**

Team Priority Updates

* Priority 1 – Revitalization of Key Properties

Team chair Erica Saenz said she planned to meet with UT students who will complete a beautification project in the area as part of “The Project – The University of Texas at Austin Largest Day of Service” and ensure that their work will align with Restore Rundberg beautification priorities.

* Priority 2 – Healthcare Team member Aida Cerda-Prazak went to Latino Healthcare Forum Diez y Seis Open House and informed the team that Restore Rundberg was recognized on that.
* Priority 3 – After School/Youth Services
* Priority 4 – Code Compliance

The Code Compliance team met with Austin Code Department on September 16th. Heather Way, (Clinical Professor and Director of the Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic at the UT Law School who teamed with two law students to produce a study of the Code’s enforcement of the Repeat Offender Program or ROP) also attended the meeting. Much time was spent reviewing the findings in the ROP report with Code being able to offer some helpful clarifications.
The report criticized Code for not reviewing properties in the ROP program for up to 9 months after enrollement in the program. Code reported that they visited each of the properties numerous times to meet with owners and managers to address those issues that got the properties in the program in the first place. They will also add any observed dangerous or major items documented during these visits. Many of these visits are not recorded in official logs because Code staff generally accompanies staff from the permitting department during these visits and the visits are recorded in permitting department logs.

* Priority 5 – Homelessness Intervention
* Priority 6 – Housing Affordability
* Priority 7 – Economic and Workforce Development

Team member Monica Guzmán attended the Spirit of East Austin event organized by the City on September 12 and said Austin City Council is going to announce economic priorities for the Eastside, including the Rundberg area. “Let’s make sure we are part of that conversation,” she concluded.

* Priority 8 – Prostitution Prevention and Intervention

Team member Donald Baker noted a nice improvement on the plot located by Thomas Buffet and Miller Uniforms, near Rutland and Lamar. “It’s nice to have a tenant in that second building,” he said.

He also announced the grand opening ceremony of IDEA Rundberg on December 1st.

Team member Monica Guzmán announced the hackathon organized by the Latino Healthcare Forum on the same day as HopeFest, the 17th of October, and encouraged community members to register as judges.

Staff update from APD Grants manager: Kyran Fitzgerald described the missions of the newly hired community engagement coordinator: see attached handout that was provided to team members.

She informed the team members they could make requests for funding needs they might have to conduct their activities.

Team member Ann Teich requested the formation of a Restore Rundberg Revitalization Team operations group. The Operations group is made of Ann Teich, Monica Guzmán, Donald Baker, Erica Saenz and Kyran Fitzgerald.

Kyran Fitzgerald introduced Philip Kearney, Austin Police Chief’s Administrative Specialist and graphic designer, who will create letterheads and other documents for the team. Team member Ann Teich suggested adding the READ website address to the RR/READ letterhead. The APD North substation address could also be added so that recipients of those letters have an address to respond to, added Monica Guzmán. Kyran Fitzgerald proposed to use APD PO box.

The grants manager also informed the team of the potential need for a website outside of the City website to sustain the project beyond the grant expiration. Team chair Erica Saenz stated that it seemed preferable to have only one website. The team decided to have the Operations group tackle the issue.

Team member Monica Guzmán informed she participated in the Strategic Communications for Public Safety Initiatives webinar proposed by Community Safety Initiative, a national technical assistance provider for the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program, and that she will share the information with the team.

Approval of last month’s minutes is tabled to the next meeting.

***Adjourn: 7:07pm***

**Next Meeting**

Restore Rundberg Team Meeting

October 22, 2015

Restore Rundberg Revitalization Team (6:30 – 7:00 p.m.)

and Community (7:00 – 8:30 p.m.) Meetings

Settlement Home

1607 Colony Creek Drive

6:30pm - 7:03pm

Restore Rundberg Community Meeting @ 7:00pm

**Restore Rundberg**

**Community Engagement Coordinator FY16 Activity Plan**

***Activities that will take place throughout FY16:***

* APD Grant – Administrative
	+ Assist in the collection of performance measures for engagement
	+ Complete activity logs (hourly reporting) and update partnership matrix
	+ Post finance and programmatic reports to website
	+ Maintain program inbox (restorerundberg@austintexas.gov)
* Mobile Walking Beat, Apartment/Landlord Coalition and Marketplace
	+ Assist district representative officers in building trust between police and the community, and with targeted outreach efforts to improve public safety and reduce violent/property crime
* Restore Rundberg Revitalization Team (RRRT)
	+ Update website(s) and other social media
	+ Secure location of monthly meetings
	+ Take meeting minutes\*
	+ Provide translation (English, Spanish, French)
	+ Assist priority area leaders with planning and completing activities
	+ Coordinate volunteer schedule for priority area activities
* READ
	+ Complete community engagement objectives in cooperation with CARY and READ partners
	+ Maintain and update website and other social media

***Additional quarterly activities:***

Quarter 1 (October 1 – December 31, 2015)

* Mobile Walking Beat, Apartment/Landlord Coalition and Marketplace
	+ Shadow officers to explore hot spot needs and connect community members with needed services
	+ Seek community input on the development of a neighborhood watch for the Sam Rayburn hot spot
* RRRT Priorities
	+ UT report as template (mid-October)
	+ Meet with priority area groups to confirm content and ensure the identification short and long term needs
		- Draft two-year engagement strategy for each priority
	+ Website development, including online calendar and volunteer schedule/sign up

Quarter 2 (January 1 – March 31, 2016)

* Mobile Walking Beat, Apartment/Landlord Coalition and Marketplace
	+ Plan spring and summer engagement activities
	+ Complete sustainability plan for the Sam Rayburn hot spot (neighborhood watch or alternative programming) and facilitate implementation
* RRRT Priorities
	+ Meet with priority area groups
		- Finalize two-year engagement strategy for each priority
		- Develop recommendations for leveraging resources and alternative sources of funding

Quarter 3 (April 1 – June 30, 2016)

To be determined in February/March 2016

Quarter 4 (July 1 – September 30, 2016)

To be determined in May/June 2016