



City of Austin Employees' Retirement System

**SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
Tuesday, December 13, 2005 – 12:30 pm  
418 E. Highland Mall Blvd.**

**Board Members Present**

Eyna Canales-Zarate  
Reagan David  
Francine Gertz  
Ed Golden  
Elizabeth S. Gonzales  
Mark Monteith

**Absent**

Janet Bartles  
Francis Benoit  
Leslie Browder  
Betty Dunkerley  
Cathy Rodgers

**Guests and Staff Present**

Stephen C. Edmonds, Executive Director  
Donna Boykin, Finance Manager  
Rhonda Helm, Operations Manager  
Rosaree Koepsel, Executive Assistant  
Jesse Ortega, Administrative Supervisor  
Barney Knight, General Counsel

The meeting was called to order at 12:39 p.m. by Board Chair, R. David and immediately convened into Executive Session.

**I. Disability Retirement**

**A. Convene into Executive Session Pursuant to Sec. 13, Art. 6243n, and Sec. 551.0785 Texas Government Code, to Consider and Act on Disability Retirement Application for Donna Davis**

**B. Reconvene from Executive Session Pursuant to Sec. 13, Art. 6243n, and Sec. 551.0785 Texas Government Code, to Consider and Act on Disability Retirement Application for Donna Davis**

The Board convened into Executive Session at 12:39 p.m. and reconvened at 1:10 p.m. to consider action on the above disability retirement application.

E. Canales-Zarate made a motion to deny disability retirement benefits for Donna Davis based on the medical information received. E. Golden seconded the motion. R. Helm stated she would notify Ms. Davis of the decision and provide her with information on the appeal/re-application processes since she is still currently employed with the City of Austin. Motion carried unanimously.

**II. Investment Management Agreement of Driehaus Capital Management, Inc. – Assignment to Driehaus Securities LLC**

S. Edmonds presented information on the notification from Driehaus Capital Management, Inc. of their merger with and into Driehaus Capital Management LLC, to be effective January 1, 2006. This issue was previously mentioned at the November Investment Committee meeting. As part of this notification, Driehaus Capital Management, Inc. requested a signed acknowledgement and

consent to the assignment. S. Edmonds stated that there was no discretion on the part of COA ERS regarding the change; and consent is required in order to continue doing business with Driehaus. B. Knight stated that the change did not alter Driehaus' fiduciary responsibilities to COA ERS. S. Edmonds made the recommendation to sign the document with the understanding that we would further evaluate the effect, if any, to our relationship with Driehaus.

After extension discussion, E. Golden made a motion to approve signing the consent to assignment and M. Monteith seconded the motion. Discussion continued and the Board asked S. Edmonds to request additional information and clarification from Driehaus on the change. S. Edmonds will also notify E. Ralph, Summit Strategies, and an agenda item will be added to the next Investment Committee Meeting to further evaluate the effect of the change. Driehaus may be requested to attend this meeting. B. Knight will contribute to the process as needed. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

Reagan David  
Reagan David, Board Chair

1/24/06  
Date

Stephen C. Edmonds  
Stephen C. Edmonds, Executive Director

1/24/06  
Date