



## **PALS MEETINGS #1 ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS RECAP**

### **PALS #1 Meeting Dates and Locations:**

June 20 from 12p-1p at Notes for Notes (Rosewood Park)  
June 20 from 6-7p at Notes for Notes (Rosewood Park)  
June 30 from 3-4p at Batch (Manor Road)  
July 10 from 6-8p at Millennium Youth Complex (produced by City of Austin)  
July 12 from 12p-1p at Sustainable Food Center  
July 12 from 5-6p at Sustainable Food Center  
July 12 from 6-8p at Upper Boggy Bash (produced by City of Austin)

### **Participants to Date:**

The PALS consists of representatives from each of the trail segments as shown on this map below. We expect the advisory group to grow throughout the engagement process. The project team and PALS advisory group to date is included below trail map.

### ***Engagement Consultant Team:***

Meredith Powell, Miriam Conner, Samuel Franco, Shenina Delfin (Public City)

### ***Austin Parks Foundation:***

Cynthia Rodriguez, Community Engagement  
Katie Robillard, Park Design Director

### ***PALS participation as of 8/20/2019:***

#### **Southern Segment A:**

- Beth Carroll, The Trail Foundation
- Jesus Mendoza, E César Chávez St Merchants Assn
- Jenn Massing Harris, Parque Zaragoza - APF Park Adopter
- Gavino Fernandez, Community Leader
- Jose Valazquez, Community Leader
- SolAna Renteria, Community Leader
- Ryan Eaker, Camacho Recreation Center
- Nine Francois, Long-time Resident
- David Chincanchan, District 3 Council Office
- Felipe Garza, District 3 Arts Commissioner

#### **Central Segment B:**

- Lauren Hartnett, District 1 Council Office
- Neal Whetstone, District 1 Council Office
- Caleb Pritchard, District 1 Council Office
- Volma Overton III, E 12<sup>th</sup> St Merchants Association
- Linda Guerrero, Community Leader
- Kelly Hasandras, City of Austin Totally Cool, Totally Art
- Margaret Levy, Conley-Guerrero Senior Activity Center
- Ray Price, Notes for Notes, Rosewood Park
- Jessica Wilson, Friends of Boggy Creek
- Jane and Gilbert Rivera, Community Leaders
- Sari Albornoz, Sustainable Food Center
- Sarah Marshall, City of Austin PARD, Historic Preservation and Heritage Tourism
- Raissin McIntosh, Raissin in the Sun
- Joe Deshotel, Resident along the Trail, Community Development Commission Chair

#### **Northern Segment C:**



- Shaleiah Fox, Windsor Park Neighborhood Association
- Mohan Roa, Windsor Park Neighborhood Association
- Stephanie Lang, 5<sup>th</sup> Generation East Austinite
- Jeanette Swensen, Windsor Park Neighborhood Association
- Nadia Kahn, Windsor Park Neighborhood Association
- Rebecca Campbell, Austin Film Society (also in Central Segment B)

**At-Large Resource People:**

- Sue Lambe, City of Austin AIPP
- Frank Wick, City of Austin AIPP
- Carl Settles, E4 Youth
- Ashley Greenstein, City of Austin ATD Smart Trips
- Lonny Stern, Capital Metro Transit Adventures
- Cara Bertron, COA Planning/Zoning Historic Preservation
- Christopher Stanton, Ghisallo Cycling Initiative
- kYmberly Keeton, Austin History Center
- Halana Kaleel, City of Austin Public Health
- Allison Ross, State Representative Eddie Rodriguez
- Amanda Jasso, City of Austin Equity Office
- Kellee Coleman, City of Austin Equity Office
- Senior Commission, Committee on Transit, Housing and Public Space
- TAG Members and other Resources

**Overarching Findings from PALS #1 Engagement:**

- Engage across generations – senior and youth programs prolific along the trail
- Arts based engagement through anchor programs/assets along the trail – rich cultural history
- Actively explore the trail (and just off the trail) to illustrate its potential – history of recreation
- Collecting histories of the communities along the trail is critical, yet there are a lot of different efforts
- Food production/edible landscape is anchored in both the past and present
- Go where the communities already are and work with trusted partners
- Safe space means different things to different communities and is critical to address
- No one size fits all
- Engagement fatigue: there are multiple projects and plans happening at once
- Communities along the trail can be disparate, even within “legacy families”
- Concern about connotations related to word “Link”