

**DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 17, 2010
7:30AM
CITY HALL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM**

Advisory Members Present:

Charles Locklin—University Area Partners
Dennis Barkway—Austin Recovery
Marshall Jones—DAA
Tim Miles-- Foundation Communities
William Kelly—University of Texas
Lori Renteria--East Cesar Chavez N.A

Advisory Members Absent:

none

Guest Members Present:

Kenneth Placke, ATCIC
Darla Gay, DA Office
Charles Betts, DAA
Bill Brice, DAA
Marsha Hope Loomis

Staff Members Present

Pete Valdez, Acting Court Administrator
John Lawyer, Court Resource Coord.
Luz Lozano, Analyst/Programmer
Rebecca Stark, Administrator, Municipal
Court

I. Call meeting to order.

- **Opening remarks and introductions.**

Charles Locklin called the meeting to order at 7:35 am.

- **Approval of minutes from last meeting January 20, 2010.**

Charles asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2010 meeting. Marshall Jones so moved; Dennis Barkway seconded. All approved.

II. Presentation, discussion, and action on the following items:

- a. Update on Committee Membership. John Lawyer updated the committee. Marshall Jones said that Bruce Mills may be interested in appointment by Councilmember Martinez.
- b. Report of the Review and Evaluation Subcommittee. Charles Locklin reported that Dennis Barkway has asked to be replaced as chair and that William Kelly has agreed to take it on. Dennis gave an update of the last meeting including a

review of data requests and court caseflow. Charles put off a discussion of the number of meetings until Item IV on the agenda.

c. DACC referrals to Project Recovery. Pete Valdez provided the update.

d. Status of recommendations from the downtown stakeholders meeting. Pete Valdez updated the committee on Tiburon and NCIC/TCIC access. Also gave the committee the reply from DPS turning down DACC for full access to criminal background checks. There have been no further developments about weekend dockets.

e. Discussion and approval of a recommendation on moving trials from DACC. Marshall Jones read the recommendation on no longer holding trials at DACC. Pete Valdez introduced Rebecca Stark of Municipal Court who said if trials are moved she would be asking for resources; also that trials for DACC defendants might have to be held in evenings. Marshall noted that it was up to the City to allocate resources. Charles ask for a motion to approve the recommendation, after correction. Bill Kelly so motioned. Seconded by Marshall. All voted to approve.

f. Report of Final Recommendations concerning the Corporation for Supportive Housing. The final report was presented by Darla Gay.

g. Follow up to Councilmember Riley stakeholder meeting. Marshall Jones commented on the involvement of ACM McDonald at the meeting.

h. Citizen Communication. Charles Betts of DAA encouraged Advisory Committee members to contact City Council to urge use of the remaining \$15 million of housing funds for the reentry/homeless population. Marsha Loomis encouraged more communication with the community (on DACC matters). Kenneth Placke of ATCIC said that housing has proved critical in the success of two clients at Project Recovery.

III. No Executive Session held.

IV. The next meeting was set for April 21, 2010 7:30am at the Boards and Commissions Room, City Hall. Lori Renteria requested an agenda item to report on the holiday party at Project Recovery.

V. Adjourned.

Charles asked for a motion to adjourn. Motioned by Lori. Seconded by Marshall. Adjourned at 8:57am.