# DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JULY 20, 2011 7:30AM

### BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, ROOM 1101 CITY HALL

Advisory Members Present:
Charles Locklin—University Area Partners
Marshall Jones—DAA
Dennis Barkway
Lori Renteria--East Cesar Chavez N.A
Tim Miles, Foundation Communities
Bruce Mills

<u>Advisory Members Absent:</u> William Kelly—Univ. of Texas

#### **Guest Members Present:**

William Torres, APD Lewis Leff, Council Member Riley's Office Jack Darby, Krimelab Darla Gay, DA's Office Andy Garbe, City Attorney Bianca Bentzin, Law Department Jason Alexander, City Manager's Office Sandra Alvarado, COA Finance Bill Brice, DAA Will Hancock, Lifeworks Taber White, APD Teo Blake, Citizen Randall Stockton, Legendary White Swan Clayton Kalman, White Swan James Medina, Resident Tobias Ford, Resident Barbara Frische, Citizen Adam Taliannaia, Citizen Eddie Hart, Citizen Lee Sherman, Citizen

Staff Members Present
Pete Valdez, Court Administrator
John Lawyer, Resource Coordinator
Judge Michael Coffey

Jennifer Abdallah, Case Manager Kim Capobres, Case Manager Taylor Seyer, Case Manager

## I. Call meeting to order.

## • Opening remarks and introductions.

Charles Locklin called the meeting to order at 7:32 am. Charles offered condolences to DACC staff following the passing of Eddie Fincher, Case Manager. Charles remarked that on July 31, 2011 term of service will expire for himself, Marshall Jones and Dennis Barkway. Charles said he will be retiring after serving two terms and commended the Advisory Committee on its work on challenging issues in their role to advise and not govern. A new chair and vice chair will need to be elected after October 1, 2011.

• Approval of minutes from last meeting May 18, 2011.

Charles asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2011 meeting. Bruce Mills so moved, Tim Miles seconded. All approved.

#### II. Citizen Communication

None.

#### III. Presentation, discussion, and action on the following items:

- a. Expanding jurisdiction in East Austin–12<sup>th</sup> and Chicon. Officer Taber White presented a PowerPoint titled, "Crime Analysis of Neighborhoods Surrounding 12<sup>th</sup> St./Chicon St. Speakers on this item included Barbara Frische, Teo Blake, Bill Brice, Lee Sherman, James Medina, Tobias Ford, Bianca Benson, and Andy Garbe.
  - Lori Renteria moved that the Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory
    Committee write a letter to City Council to request an expansion of the DACC
    jurisdiction and an increase in resources to serve East Austin, to include 12<sup>th</sup> and
    Chicon. Dennis Barkway seconded. Lori Renteria and Dennis Barkway voted in
    favor. Charles Locklin, Bruce Mills, Tim Miles and Marshall Jones voted against.
    The motion failed.
  - Marshall Jones moved that the Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory
    Committee request for City Council to study the resources that would be
    necessary in order to expand the DACC jurisdiction to include 12<sup>th</sup> and Chicon.
    Lori Renteria seconded. Lori Renteria, Charles Locklin, Marshall Jones, Bruce
    Mills and Dennis Barkway voted in favor. Tim Miles voted against. The motion
    passed.
- b. Housing one frequent offender. Kim Capobres introduced Paul Busse, a DACC Frequent Offender, and provided a timeline of her work with him and the steps that were taken in order to get Paul into Permanent Supportive Housing.
- c. Resolution concerning court progress. Darla Gay spoke on this item.
  - Charles Locklin asked for a motion for the Downtown Austin Community Court
    Advisory Committee to approve providing a letter to City Council concerning the
    progress of the Downtown Austin Community Court, with an attachment
    summarizing court achievements. Marshall Jones moved, Tim Miles seconded.
    All approved.
- d. Non-agenda items
  - Bill Brice thanked John Lawyer for his service in recognition of his upcoming retirement.
  - Charles Locklin introduced Will Hancock, the individual he recommended to take his place on the Advisory Committee.
  - Pete Valdez announced that this would be the last meeting for John Lawyer due to
    his retirement and stated that Jennifer Abdallah will be the new staff contact for
    the Advisory Committee. Pete also introduced Taylor Seyer, the new Targeted
    Case Manager at DACC.
  - Lori Renteria stated that she went to the Travis County Commissioner's Court to present the letter from the Advisory supporting the County's continued funding of Project Recovery.

- IV. No Executive Session held.
- V. The next meeting was set for September 21, 2011 at City Hall.

## VI. Adjourned.

Charles asked for a motion to adjourn. Motioned by Bruce Mills. Seconded by Lori Renteria. Adjourned at 9:00 am.