

DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

June 1, 2012

Attention: Mayor Leffingwell and City Council Members,

WHEREAS, Court Administrator Pete Valdez of the Downtown Austin Community Court has submitted his annual budget request for FY2013, and

WHEREAS, Administrator Valdez has briefed the Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee of his unmet needs, service plan and budget request for FY2013, and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that the Court is only one part of a larger coordinated network of services that are needed to positively affect the homeless population, and

WHEREAS, we agree that a primary issue is that of providing rehabilitative services to the 'frequent offenders' of the Court who are characteristically our most vulnerable citizens and currently in a state of homelessness, and

WHEREAS, Administrator Valdez has clearly defined the need for outreach to this population as a means to further impact their wellness, treatment and rehabilitation, and

WHEREAS, we believe the addition of outreach managers will also help expand the reach of the Court without a physical expansion of its boundaries, and

WHEREAS, we believe the work of the Court to save the taxpayers and citizens of Austin in a multitude of other services, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Advisory Committee fully agrees with and backs the Courts budget requests and priorities for FY 2013.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. Marshall Jones', with a stylized, cursive script.

T. Marshall Jones  
Chair, Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee