



**EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2012, 9:00 AM
CITY HALL, BOARD AND COMMISSION ROOM #1101
301 WEST SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. INTRODUCTIONS
2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
3. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**
The first five speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 14, 2012 Minutes
5. **PRESENTATION:** Early Childhood Issues in the 2013 Texas Legislative Session – Kara Johnson, Early Opportunities Associate, Texans Care for Children
 - **POSSIBLE ACTIONS:** Approve recommendations to City Council for the City’s Legislative Agenda, including:
 - Subsidized child care reimbursement rates
 - Technical assistance for child care providers serving subsidized children
 - ECI (Early Childhood Intervention) Program funding and eligibility
 - State funding for PreK
 - Child and Maternal Health improvements
6. **WORK GROUP REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS**
 - a. Executive Work Group – Kyle Holder
 - 2013 ECC Work Plan Development and Approval
 - b. Policy and Finance Work Group – Aletha Huston
 - Restaurant patio smoking ban discussion and endorsement
 - c. Providers Work Group – Jacquie Porter
 - City Swim Policies discussion and recommendations
 - Child Inc. letter of support

7. STAFF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS – Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator
 - a. HHSD Update - Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Division
 - i. Education/child care impact reviews - Planning & Development Review Department
 - ii. Medicaid Waiver Projects
 - iii. Review and endorsement of City/County Child Care Program new workforce and TRS options
8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE – Sue Carpenter
 - a. School Readiness Plan Update
9. RELATED GROUPS (Only, as needed)
 - a. City/County/AISD Joint Committee
 - b. Austin Association for the Education of Young Children – Raye Sansom
 - c. Commission for Women
 - d. Child Care Licensing
 - e. Workforce Solutions
10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
 - Chair’s Annual Review for calendar 2012 – March 2013
 - Education/child care impact reviews, child care and development issues, GIS mapping - Planning & Development Review Department – January 2013

ADJOURNMENT

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