

**DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**June 20, 2014**  
**7:30 AM**

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, ROOM 1101**

**CITY HALL**

Advisory Members Present:

Will Hancock  
William Kelly  
Marshall Jones  
Lori Cervenak-Renteria  
Keith Hines

Advisory Members Absent:

Bruce Mills

Guest Members Present:

Bill Brice  
Lea Downey  
Lori Frasco  
Johanna Green

Staff Members Present:

Pete Valdez  
Joshua Paul  
Susan Requejo  
Peter Arellano  
Chris Anderson  
Michelle Myles  
Michael Suda  
Kim Hernandez

**I. Call meeting to order**

- a) Meeting Called to order by Marshall Jones @ 7:30 am
- b) Minutes from May 16, 2014 meeting approved as written by William Kelly  
Seconded by Will Hancock.

**II. Citizen Communication** –Bill Brice of the Downtown Austin Alliance expressed the demand of the Austin housing community to develop low barrier permanent supportive housing utilizing the housing first model. Mr. Brice also presented information on Foundation Communities recent changes to criminal history requirements and how this may affect DACC clients in a negative manner.

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

- A. Sobriety Center Update presented by Pete Valdez. No action was taken on this item.
- B. Discussion regarding composition of the DACC advisory Committee after the implementation of 10-1 presented by Lori Renteria and Marshall Jones. Marshall Jones drafted a recommendation stating that the DACC Advisory Committee not be consolidated with the Public Safety Commission and remains a stand-alone commission. If the DACC Advisory is merged into any commission is best served under the HHSD. Motion to approve by Lori Renteria with the condition that the recommendation states any commission related to HHSD as opposed to best served under the HHSD. Item Seconded by William Kelly the vote on this item passed unanimously 5-0. The recommendation will be amended and submitted to the mayor and city council via the BICIC.
- C. Emergency Solutions Grant Housing Update presented by Michelle Myles. Data presented was on clients housed since January 2013 through the ESG. No action was taken on this item.
- D. Homeless/formerly homeless individuals PR and LF shared first- hand experiences regarding challenges and barriers associated with access to housing. No action was taken on this item.
- E. Downtown Commission Representative Vacancy discussed by Marshall Jones. No appointments were made to the Downtown Commission. Marshall Jones encouraged the members to contact Susan Requejo if they were interested in serving as the DACC Advisory Committee Representative on the Downtown Commission.
- F. Veteran's Diversion Program Discussion presented by Lori Renteria. Mrs. Renteria presented information about Judge Denton's court and was very disappointed to realize that the majority of cases being seen by this court were DWI's. No action was taken on this item.

#### **IV. Executive Session- No Executive Session Held**

- V. Next meeting will be held October 17, 2014 @ 7:30 in room 1101 City Hall. Items A., C, D. from the June 20, 2014 agenda will remain on the October 17, 2014 agenda.

#### **VI. Meeting Adjourned @8:40 am**