



**EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
Tuesday, June 16, 2015**

The Early Childhood Council convened in a special called meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at City Hall in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in Attendance: Albert Black, Kyle Holder, Larry Elsner, Laura Koenig, Aletha Huston, Anurita Mittra, Cindy Rodriguez, Brook Son, and Jacque Porter. Staff in Attendance: Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) staff – Ron Hubbard.

Chair Holder called the Board Meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS: No members in the audience.
2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None.
3. The Early Childhood Council made the following recommendation related to Unaccompanied Children. The recommendation was made by Council Member Huston and seconded by Council Member Porter. Motion passed on a 7-0-1 with Council Member Son abstaining.

- **Recommendation**

The Early Childhood Council recommends that City Council identify and allocate FY16 and FY17 funding in the amount of \$292,948 to provide case management, legal, and mental health services for unaccompanied children in Travis County.

4. Discussion and action to review and approve updates for submission to the 2015-2018 Austin/Travis County School Readiness Action Plan, Ready Communities tactics section, took place. A point of clarification was made that the ECC was only responsible for tracking performance and ensuring progress in the Ready Communities section. A motion for the ECC to take responsibility for the Ready Communities section was made by Council Member Son and seconded by Council Member Elsner. Motion passed on an 8-0-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Holder adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m. without objection.