

# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Meeting Held Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 City Hall, 301 West Second Street, in the Council Chambers

# Call Meeting to Order at 2:11 pm.

Committee Members Present:

- 1. Council Member Ora Houston, Chair
- 2. Council Member Kathie Tovo, Vice Chair
- 3. Council Member Delia Garza

### Approval of Minutes

#### 1. Minutes

Council Member Garza moved approval of the Minutes from Health and Human Services Committee Meeting of January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, seconded by Council Member Tovo, motion passes 3-0 with Council Member Troxclair off the dais.

## Citizen Communication: General

2. Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed two minutes to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

Aletha Huston signed up to speak on behalf of Early Childhood Council.

#### Regular Updates from Health and Humans Services Community Partners

3. Dell Medical School update on operations, services and access to health care for Travis County residents (Dr. Clay Johnston, Dean).

Dean Johnston provided an update on Dell Medical School operations, services and access to health care for Austin/Travis County residents. 50 candidates were identified; they will start orientation this spring. The first building is scheduled to open in June 2016.

## **Staff Briefing**

4. Staff briefing and updates on process for the equity tool and City of Austin Equity Office (Ray Baray, Chief of Staff).

Ray Baray provided a report on best practices in establishing Equity Offices. Two consulting firms were hired by the City to assist with Equity Office policies and recruitment. The City will seek input from community stakeholders prior to finalizing Equity Officer job description.

5. Staff briefing on Zika virus situation in Austin/Travis County (Shannon Jones, Director, Dr. Philip Huang, Medical Director/Health Authority, Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department).

Dr. Huang provided a situation report on Zika virus in Travis County. HHSD and partners will emphasize the importance of prevention of mosquito bites through education/information on how to minimize mosquito breeding grounds and personal habits that can reduce the risk of getting bitten.

6. Staff briefing on HIV prevention in the Austin/Travis County area through access to HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (HIV PrEP) treatment (Dr. Philip Huang, Medical Director/Health Authority, Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department).

Paul Scott, Brandon Woolerson, Todd Logan, and Dorothy Jenkins signed up to speak on the item.

Dr. Huang provided a briefing on HIV prevention in the Austin/Travis County area through access to HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (HIV PrEP) treatment.

Ben Walker, Austin PrEP Clinics, provided information on patient compliance rate, financial aid options, etc. Mr. Walker will provide to Committee information on the number of patients on wait list for PrEP.

7. Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department Service Delivery and Performance Measures Update (Shannon Jones, Director, Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department).

Shannon Jones provided an update on Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department service delivery and performance measures.

Chair requested the presentation to be sent to all Council offices for their information.

#### 8. Future Items

Items proposed at this time for the Health and Human Services Committee meeting on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016 include: Update from Seton Healthcare Family; Staff Briefing on Unregulated Boarding Homes (Austin Code); Progress Report Regarding Public Toilets (Resolution No 20160128-067).

Adjourn at 4:03 pm.

The minutes were approved on this the 24th day of May 2016 on Council Member Troxclair's motion, Council Member Houston's second on a 3:0 vote with Council Member Garza off the dais.