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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council		Item ID	62983	Agenda Number	20.
Meeting Date:	9/22/2016			Department:	Management Services
Subject					
Approve a resolution creating the Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation under Subchapter D, Chapter 431, Texas Transportation Code; approving and adopting the corporation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws; and appointing initial directors.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Fiscal Note					
A fiscal note is not required.					
Purchasing Language:					
Prior Council Action:	<p>March 20, 2014: The Austin City Council passed Resolution No. 20140320-051 “to develop an implementation plan and funding strategies for a sobriety center.” This action established the Sobriety Center Planning Committee.</p> <p>June 11, 2015: The Sobriety Center Planning Committee presented its report, “Sobriety Center Implementation Report, April 27, 2015” to the City Council. After receiving the report, the City Council passed Resolution No. 20150611-010, “creating an Austin-Travis County Intergovernmental Working Group (IWG) to make recommendations regarding a location, governance structure and funding plan for a sobriety center.”</p> <p>June 18, 2015: The IWG recommended that the sobriety center be located in the soon to be vacant Travis County Medical Examiner Facility (MEF) located at 1213 Sabine Street. Staff recommended the use of a local government corporation (LGC) for the governance and operation of the sobriety center. After hearing the recommendations of the IWG, the City Council passed Resolution No. 20150618-084 and directed the City Manager to “negotiate an interlocal agreement with Travis County for the creation of a sobriety center that incorporates the terms recommended by the Austin-Travis County Intergovernmental Working Group.”</p> <p>On June 23, 2016, the Austin City Council approved an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County for the creation of a local government corporation to manage a sobriety center.</p>				
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<p>As described in prior council action and per Resolution No. 20150618-084, the attached Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation creating the Local Government Corporation (LGC) and appointing the initial board of directors that will operate the Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center are presented for Council consideration and approval.</p> <p>The Sobriety Center will be located at 1213 Sabine Street, Austin TX 78701 (currently used by the Travis County Medical Examiner).</p> <p>The proposed Board of Directors for the LGC is comprised of eleven members: four appointed by City of Austin, four appointed by Travis County, one appointed jointly by the City of Austin and the Travis County, one City Council Member, and one Travis County Commissioner. The board members should have expertise in one of the following areas: legal, medical, behavioral health, public health, chemical dependency and addiction, philanthropy and fundraising, and business and tax expertise. In addition, the board also includes five ex-officio members: the City Manager, the County Judge, the Austin Chief of Police, the Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services Department Director and the City's Health and Human Services Department Director, or their respective designees.</p> <p>The designated appointees to the LGC Board of Directors are:</p> <p>Mayor Pro Tem: Katheryne B. Tovo Commissioner: Margaret Gomez</p> <p>City appointed Directors: Stephen Strakowski Chris Ziebell Douglas Smith Deborah Hiser</p> <p>County appointed Directors Nancy Hohengarten (Chair) Craig Moore Jana Ortega Bill Brice</p> <p>Jointly appointed Director: Andy Brown</p>	