

Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Board of Directors:

Chair: Judge Nancy Hohengarten
Director: Stephen Strakowski
Director: Christopher Ziebell
Director: Craig Moore
Director: Douglas Smith
Director: Jana Ortega
Director: Deborah Hiser
Director: Bill Brice
Director: Andy Brown
Director: Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo
Director: Commissioner Margaret Gomez
Ex-Officio: Travis County Judge Sarah Eckhardt
Ex-Officio: Asst. City Manager Rey Arellano
Ex-Officio: Asst. Chief Jason Dusterhoft
Ex-Officio: Asst. Chief Jasper Brown
Ex-Officio: Asst. Director Stephanie Hayden

The Board of Directors of the Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation was convened on April 12, 2017 at the Travis County Administrative Building, Conference Room 1506, Austin, Texas. The following items were considered by the Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center Board of Directors.

Board Members in Attendance: Nancy Hohengarten – Chair, Andy Brown – Vice Chair, Bill Brice – Secretary, Douglas Smith - Treasurer, Jana Ortega, Kathie Tovo, Stephen Strakowski, Christopher Ziebell, Craig Moore **Ex-Officio Members in Attendance:** Stephanie Hayden, Rey Arellano, Jason Dusterhoft, Jasper Brown, **Staff in Attendance:** Carol Drennan, Interim Executive Director **Guest:** Chris Neely, Community Impact; Sabina Romero and Maura Newell, City of Austin Innovation Office, HOST team

1. Chair Hohengarten called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Presentation by Sabina Romero and Maura Newell of the City of Austin Innovation Office on the Resolution to support the co-location of the HOST Team at the 1213 Sabine Street building. Power Point presentation made. Discussion ensued. Motion postponed to next meeting of Board of Directors on May 10th.
3. Approval of the minutes from the March 8, 2017 Austin/Travis County Sobriety Center Board meeting.

Motion: Director Brice made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. **Second:** Director Gomez. **Vote:** The board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

4. General citizen communications.

There were no citizens present to address the board.

5. Interim Executive Director monthly report and financial overview.
6. Discussion and possible action to approve construction plans for the Sobriety Center as initially approved by Directors Strakowski, Ziebell and Hohengarten.

Motion: Director Brice made a motion to adopt approval of the construction plans as approved by Directors Hohengarten, Ziebell and Strakowski. **Second:** Director Moore. **Vote:** The board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

6. Discussion of the proposed budget for FY18. Discussion and suggested amendments.

Motion: Director Hohengarten made the motion to add to the budget at the discretion of the Interim Executive Director funds to maintain the facility based on input from Travis County and to account for the depreciation of assets. **Second:** Director Moore. **Vote:** Unanimous with one abstention (Director Tovo)

Motion: Director Ortega made a motion to add \$5,000 to the budgeted amount for the CPA and subtract \$5,000 from the amount budgeted for Legal. **Second:** Strakowski. **Vote:** Unanimous with one abstention (Director Tovo)

Motion: Director Strakowski made a motion to use the City's rates for benefits, including retirement for employees at Supervisor level and above. **Second:** Ziebell. **Vote:** Unanimous with one abstention (Director Tovo)

Motion: Director Ziebell made a motion to approve the amended budget. **Second:** Strakowski. **Vote:** Unanimous with one abstention (Director Tovo)

7. Discussion of Search committee status.

Motion: Director Brice made a motion to allow the search committee to negotiate a contract with a search consultant and to bring it to the board for final approval. **Second:** Director Ziebell. **Vote:** Nearly unanimous (Director Brown against) and one abstention (Director Gomez).

8. Discussion of future agenda items

9. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm