



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Special Called meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2017, City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Tovo called the meeting to order at 10:23 a.m. Council Member Casar was absent.

- 2. Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement in the form of a mutual aid agreement with the City of Houston to furnish aid in response to an emergency, including in response to a natural event such as Hurricane Harvey.

The motion authorizing negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement in the form of a mutual aid agreement with the City of Houston was approved on Council Member Flannigan’s motion, Council Member Houston’s second on an 8-0 vote. Mayor Adler and Council Member Pool were off the dais. Council Members Casar was absent.

- 3. Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement in the form of a mutual aid agreement with the City of Victoria to furnish aid in response to an emergency, including in response to a natural event such as Hurricane Harvey.

The motion authorizing negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement in the form of a mutual aid agreement with the City of Victoria was approved on Council Member Houston’s motion, Council Member Alter’s second on an 8-0 vote. Mayor Adler and Council Member Pool were off the dais. Council Members Casar was absent.

- 4. Discuss and take appropriate action related to the effects of Hurricane Harvey, to include appropriation of staff, funds, supplies and equipment to address emergencies along the Texas gulf coast and the execution of agreements to accomplish the same.

This item was withdrawn without objection.

- 1. Discussion and possible action on the Council Budget Concept Menu.

Presentation was made by Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

The following items were discussed:

- **E-38: Updates to DSD's AMANDA system -- Funding for Tracking, Monitoring, and Affirmative Marketing of Subsidized Rental Units.**
- **G-3: Ombudspersons or case managers to assist small and local businesses in the permitting process and to serve as a hub for local businesses to have a single point of contact within DSD.**
- **G-14: Neighborhood Assistance Center resource.**

Direction was given to staff to provide information on the impact of funding the additional staff requested by Development Services Department for 7 months in FY18 will have on the FY19 Budget.

- **S-20: Repurpose partial funding for EMS Service Delivery Model Study (related to S-105); and S-105: Repurpose partial funding for EMS Service Delivery Model Study (related to S-20).**

Direction was given to staff to list these items as one merged item as well as two separate items and clarify that the reallocation the \$175,000 is to be directed to the Electronic Patient Care Report Solutions for the EMS Department.

- **E-22: Place Based Planning.**

Direction was given to staff to change the name to small area planning; to change the amount from \$275,000 to \$100,000; and provide Council with information on the number of existing staff working on small area planning projects.

- **E-23: Institutional Racism and Systemic Inequities Phase II.**

Direction was given to staff to delete this item.

- **E-27: Displacement Task Force**

Direction was given to staff to change the amount from \$200,000 to \$100,000 of one-time funding.

- **H-11: Tree Folks.**

Staff indicated that \$50,000 would be one-time funding and the remaining \$20,000 would come from the General Fund.

- **Reserve Policy**

Direction was given to staff to provide clarification on the ending balances of the reserve funds.

- **G-5: Small Area Planning**

- **S-2: Implementation of Community Policing report**

Direction was given to staff to delete this item; and to provide Council with an update on how the reallocation of some positions from sworn personnel to non-sworn personnel worked within the Police Department.

- **S-10: Increase Officers to implement Matrix report**

- **C-24: Sound and lighting equipment for the Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex**

- **C-21: Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex bowling equipment**

- **C-25: Upgraded theater at the Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex**
- **E-5: Long-Term Housing & Services Increase Permanent Supportive Housing capacity**
- **PARD Expenditures**

Direction was given to staff to provide a list of expenditures within PARD that could be funded through the HOT based on the resolution adopted by Council at the August 13, 2017 Meeting.

- **E-16: Funding for ECHO to staff four Navigation Centers around the community to connect people experiencing homelessness with available resources and services.**

Direction was given to staff to change the amount from \$778,000 to \$568,000.

- **Quality of Life Initiatives**

Direction was given to staff provide an update on how the block grants allocated in FY17 were spent both one-time funding and on-going funding.

- **Direction was given to staff to schedule an executive session to provide an update on the mediation occurring with the Fire Department contract.**

- **H-21: ADA improvements at parks.**

- **H-23: Pilot program for healthy food in schools.**

- **C-27: City Arborist pilot educational program.**

- **H-22: Fund a portion of Cities Connecting Children to Nature (CCCN) program.**

- **S-13: Increased funding for graffiti.**

- **G-15: EMS Software Update.**

- **G-13: Holding funds in reserve.**

- **G-11: Increase General Fund reserves by \$1.5 million**

- **E-19: Provide funding for childcare to serve the children of adults participating in education and career advancement programs.**

- **S-8: Recreational and security lighting for parks**

Direction was given to staff to analyze if Austin Energy could fund this item.

- **E-20: Support for scaling of Capital IDEA's work with soon-to-graduate seniors in low income high schools and Capital IDEA's RN and IT tracks.**

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 28th day of September 2017 on Council Member Garza's motion, Council Member Casar's second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Troxclair was absent.