



**DACC ADVISORY Board
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Friday, Sept. 15th, 2017**

The Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) Advisory Board convened in a regular meeting on Friday, September 15, 2017, in Austin, Texas.

Sara Clark called the meeting to order at 7:47 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Sara Clark (Chair), Lea Downey Gallatin, Brittain Ayres, Andrew Cates, David Courreges, Gary Ponder, Lori Renteria

Staff in Attendance: Michael Coffey, Pete Valdez, Susan Requejo, Jeremy Myers, Jennifer Sowinski, Dahlia Martinez, Martha Chapa, Rebeka Martinez, Robbie Hanley, Robert Kingham, Caitlin Purcell, Chris Anderson, Sean Martin

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of May 19, 2017, were approved on a motion by Board Member Lori Renteria and seconded by Board Member Lea Downey Gallatin. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

2. CITIZEN/CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

A. Homeless/formerly homeless individuals shared first-hand experiences regarding challenges and barriers associated with access to housing. An Emergency Solutions Grant housing update was provided to the board. Testimonial provided by a client of the ESG program.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Homelessness Outreach Street Team (“HOST”) pilot program (Cardona-Beiler/Clark). No discussion or action taken on this item.
- B. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on the Sobriety Center (Renteria/Clark). No discussion or action taken on this item.
- C. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Downtown Austin Community Court Facilities (Clark/Courreges). No discussion or action taken on this item.

- D.** Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on rental assistance grant opportunities (Cardona-Beiler/Clark). Robert Kingham provided the following update, Community Court was not able to submit an application for ZOC bonus funding due to requirements and time constraints.
- E.** Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on City Council Resolution 20160811-037 concerning jailing individuals for failing to pay Municipal Court Fines and Stakeholder Group on Fair Treatment of Indigent Defendants (Clark/Brenner). Item was scheduled to be on council agenda this month but was postponed. Some of the items that have been discussed are court appointed attorneys and Municipal Court providing community service options similar to Community Court or expansion of the Community Service program at Community Court to accommodate Municipal Court community service needs, all which will cost money.
- F.** Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Community Court data and statistics (Cates/Clark). No discussion or action taken on this item.
- G.** Distribution and Discussion on Annual Internal Review Report. No discussion or action taken on this item.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Presentation by Measure-Austin on Big Data and Community Policing, with Discussion and Possible Action (Clark/Courreges). The presentation provided an overview of their research practices and research advocacy with focus on Public Safety Policing, Mental Health, Education Reform and Displacement/Gentrification.
- B.** Discussion and Action to Approve DACCAB 2018 meeting schedule. Meeting Schedule for 2018 was set as follows: Jan. 19, March 23, May 4, June 1, Sept. 21 and Nov. 16. A motion was made by Board Member David Courreges, and seconded by Board Member Lea Downey-Gallatin. The motion passed on a 7-0 vote.

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

6. ADJOURN

Chair Sara Clark adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m. without objection.