

# AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

### AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting : February 15, 2018

Item Number: **080**

### Public Hearing and Possible Action

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance adopting local standards of care for the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department's Youth Programs.

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| <b>Lead Department</b>                                 | Parks and Recreation Department  |
| <b>Fiscal Note</b>                                     | There is no financial impact for this item.  |
| <b>Prior Council Action</b>                            | February 16, 2017-Council adopted the Local Standards of Care  |
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| <b>Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action</b> | January 23, 2018-Approved by the Parks and Recreation Board on a vote of 10-0 with Board Member Farasat absent.  |

### Additional Backup Information:

The State of Texas Department of Family and Protective Services administers state regulations and general licensing procedures for all child-care facilities. An exemption from licensing is available to the City of Austin in operating elementary and middle school-age recreation programs if the City annually adopts standards of care by ordinance.

Adopting the standards of care by ordinance requires an annual public hearing and subsequent adoption. The Local Standards of Care are provided to parents of each program participant. The ordinance must include minimum staffing ratios; minimum staff qualifications; minimum facility, health and safety standards; and mechanisms for monitoring and enforcing the adopted local standards. This ordinance complies with the minimum requirements. Adoption of the ordinance will result in appropriate standards of care applied to the City's recreation programs for youth.