

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, January 30, 2018, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Council Member Kitchen was absent.

COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mayor Adler introduced the agenda for the February 1, 2018 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

- 12. Approve an ordinance on third reading authorizing execution of the first amendment to a settlement agreement relating to the development of property located at 6409 City Park Road (Champion Tract); amending Ordinance No. 960613-J; modifying provisions of the Lake Austin Watershed regulations in Ordinance No. 840301-F; and modifying provisions of the Hill Country Roadway regulations in City Code Chapter 25-2. District(s) Affected: District 10.
 - A request for a 2:00 p.m. time certain may be requested on February 1, 2018.
- 42. Approve adoption of the Aquatic Master Plan as developed by the Parks and Recreation Department.
 - Direction was given to staff to post a redline version of the six recommendations relative to the Master Plan from the working group.
- 45. Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with American Medical Response of Texas, Inc. D/B/A American Medical Response, or the other qualified offeror to Request for Proposals EAD0133, to provide onsite emergency medical services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$500,000. (Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.).
- 14. Approve third reading of an ordinance relating to special events and high capacity event venues, repealing and replacing City Code Chapter 14-8 relating to right-of-way closures for special events and neighborhood block parties, amending requirements for temporary food establishments during a special event, repealing City Code Section 14-6-3 relating to closures for a street festivity, amending City Code Chapter 9-2 relating to 24-hour live music and multi-day special event permits; and creating offenses and establishing penalties.

A request to postpone this item to May 10, 2018 may be requested at the February 1, 2018 Council Meeting.

- 63. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to create a plan to periodically assess existing City regulations and rules. Council Sponsors: Council Member Delia Garza, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Jimmy Flannigan, Council Member Ellen Troxclair.
- 66. Approve a resolution appointing Spencer Cronk as the City Manager and establishing compensation and benefits. Council Sponsors: Mayor Steve Adler, Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Council Member Alison Alter.
- 68. Approve a resolution initiating a benchmarking study comparing Austin Water and Austin Resource Recovery to other Texas utilities and developing recommendations concerning Affordability Standards for both city-owned utilities. Council Sponsors: Council Member Ellen Troxclair, Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Sabino 'Pio' Renteria, Council Member Ora Houston.

BRIEFINGS

B2. Briefing on labor relations concerning City of Austin public safety operations.

Presentation was made by Dr. Mark Washington, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office; Rey Arellano, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office; Deven Desai, Labor Relations Officer, Labor Relations Office; and Sylvia Flores, Deputy Labor Relations Officer, Labor Relations Office.

Mayor Adler recessed the Council Meeting to go into Executive Session at 12:38 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to receive advice from Legal Counsel to discuss matters of land acquisition litigation and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

- E1. Discuss legal issues related to open government matters (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
 Withdrawn without objection.
- E2. Discuss personnel issues related to the search for and appointment of a new city manager (Personnel matters Section 551.074 of the Government Code).
- E3. Discuss legal issues related to Breaion King v. Officer Bryan Richter et al, Cause No. 1:16-cv-01020, in the United States District Court for the Western Division of Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- E4. Discuss legal issues related to Cox Texas Newspapers, LP v. City of Austin, Cause No. D-1-GN-17-006050 in the 53rd Judicial District for Travis County (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

 Withdrawn without objection.

- E5. Discuss legal issues related to Attorney General letter ruling No. OR2018-00740 concerning public information requests related to search for City Manager (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

 Withdrawn without objection.
- E6. Discuss legal issues concerning oversight of Austin Police Department policies and practices (Private consultation with legal counsel Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

The Mayor announced that Council would discuss item number 12 on the regular agenda during Executive Session.

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Executive session ended and Mayor Adler called the meeting back to order at 3:15 p.m.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

D1. Discussion on a City Sick Pay Ordinance.

BRIEFINGS CONTINUED

B1. Mayor's Task Force on Equity Recommendations

Presentation was made by Brion Oaks, Chief Equity Officer, City Manager's Office.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 15 day of February 2018 on Council Member Garza's motion, Council Member Flannigan's second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Casar was off the dias.