



DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY BOARD

**May 4, 2018 AT 7:45 AM
CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, ROOM 1101
301 WEST 2ND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS**

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Brittain Ayres

Darilynn Cardona-Beiler

Sara Clark, Chair

Jason English

Ann Howard

Tanisa Bernard

Andrew Cates

David Courreges

Lea Downey Gallatin, Vice Chair

Gary Ponder

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: The first five (5) speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

- 1. APPROVAL OF JANUARY AND MARCH 2018 MEETING MINUTES**
- 2. CITIZEN/CLIENT TESTIMONIALS and EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (“ESG”) HOUSING UPDATE: Individuals sharing first-hand experience regarding the challenges associated with access to housing.**
 - a. Testimonials (ESG)**
 - b. ESG Housing Update**
- 3. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. FY 2018-19 Budget Process Presentation, followed by Discussion and Possible Action on Budget Recommendation (Howard/Cardona-Beiler/Gallatin)**

b. Review of our Mission Statement and Goals, followed by Discussion and Possible Action (Clark/Gallatin)

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Board (“Board”), according to § 2-1-130 of the City Code, is to “advise the Downtown Austin Community Court on policy and operational issues, and advise the council on the policies and operations of the court.” The purpose of the Downtown Austin Community Court is to collaboratively address the quality of life issues of all residents in the downtown Austin community through the swift, creative sentencing of public order offenders. The Court seeks to hold people responsible while also offering help to change behavior.

July 2017 Goals:

- continue to learn about, monitor, and support the implementation of best practices for the Community Court’s policies and operations;
- continue to learn about, monitor, and support the Community Court’s efforts to reduce recidivism and homelessness; and
- continue to learn about, monitor, and support the Community Court’s collaboration with other agencies to address the needs of the homeless individuals who interact with the Community Court.

c. Discussion and Possible Action on Advisory Board Meeting Attendance and Meeting Place and Time.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update, Discussion and Possible Action on Homelessness Assistance Audit Series (Clark/Cates);
- b. 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/Gallatin);
- c. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Homelessness Outreach Street Team (“HOST”) pilot program (Cardona-Beiler/Clark);
- d. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on the Sobering Center of Austin & Travis County (Clark/Gallatin);
- e. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on Community Court data and statistics (Cates/Clark).

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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