



Austin-Travis County Food Policy Board



MEETING MINUTES Monday, June 11th 2018

The Austin Travis County Food Policy Board (ATCFPB) convened on Monday, June 11th, 2018 at the Street Jones Building, 1000 East 11th St., 4th Floor, Room 400A, Austin, TX 78702 at 6 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Vice-Chair Karen Magid called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Andrea Abel, Felipe Camacho, Jake Carter, Jessica Gaffney (6:25), Kathy Green, Karen Magid (Vice Chair), Sharon Mays (6:13), Dustin Fedako, Margaret Kao

Absent Board Members:

Alexandra van den Berg, Michael Hanan, Adrienne Haschke (Chair)

Staff in Attendance:

Edwin Marty, Elliott Smith (Travis County)

1) CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

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. – None

2) STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a) COA Office of Sustainability Food Policy Manager, Edwin Marty, provided a summary of the work on food systems (attached slide deck).

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY MEETING

The minutes for the regular meeting of 5/14/2018 were approved with no amendments. Board Member Jake Carter motion, Board Member Andrea Abel second. Passed on a 9-0 vote. Board Members Alexandra van den Berg, Michael Hanan, Adrienne Haschke absent.

4) OLD BUSINESS

- a) Board Infrastructure & Protocol

- (1) Review Board Members' meetings with City and Council Officials –

- (2) Annual Internal Review. Please send information about working groups to Kathy by June 30th

- b) Board Recommendations Follow-up

- (1) Paid Sick Leave Policy

Opportunity to do research on policy impact.

SFC holding Food Justice Encuentro with Gregario Casar to discuss issue, Friday, June 8th from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm at 2921 E 17th St

- (2) Use of City-owned land for Urban Agriculture

- (a) Onion Creek Floodplain Buyout. Release RFP in fall for four acres out of the 100 acre land.

- (b) County owned land – Releasing RFI for 67 acres of county owned land. Prospective farmers visited the site on June 11th.

- (c) Food and Climate Report -- The Health and Human Services Council Committee has placed this item on the August agenda. APHA accepted the white paper for their next conference.

5) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Debrief of the Joint Sustainability Board meeting – no updates.
- b) Working Group Briefings and Recommendations
 - (1) *Codes and Ordinances*
 - (a) Update Food Establishment options, with specific lens for Food Pantries and mobile markets.
 - (2) *Farmland Preservation and Access*
 - (a) No updates on Resolution honoring Springdale Farm – to be reviewed at next meeting
 - (3) *Food and Climate*
 - (a) no updates.
 - (4) *Healthy Food Security and Access*
 - (a) USDA Farm Bill updates provided by Kathy Green. Senate released its version last week. SNAP is left intact. TIFAP funding is not the same. House will bring up their bill again later this month, depending on if they have the votes.
 - (b) Kathy discussed the Resolution ‘protecting and strengthening SNAP in the next Texas Legislature’. Motion to consider by Kathy. 2nd by Andrea. Can other Texas Food Policy Commissions adopt similar resolutions? Resolution passed unanimously at 7:05.
 - (c) Kathy discussed the Resolution to support ‘Cooperative Development Pilot Program.’
 - (5) *Food Recovery*
 - (a) Jessica Gaffney and Dustin provided updates.
- c) Review of Board Member Assignments
 - 1) Board Members to meet with council member offices to show support for urban agriculture on Winnebago property.
 - 2) Board members to send working group information for the Annual Internal Review to Kathy by the end of June

6) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Presentation by Co-Op group to provide overview of what co-ops can do in the food system
- b) Amanda Rohlich to provide debrief of the EAT Forum
- c) Codes and Ordinances Resolution
- d) Springdale Farm Resolution

7) ADJOURNMENT

Vice-chair Karen Magid adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m. without objection.