

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Meeting Held Wednesday, February 13, 2019 City Hall, 301 West Second Street, in the Council Chambers

Call Meeting to Order at 2:05 pm.

Committee Members Present:

- 1. Council Member Delia Garza, Mayor Pro Tem
- 2. Council Member Kathie Tovo,
- 3. Council Member Ann Kitchen

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Garza to approve the minutes from the Health and Human Services Committee Meeting on December 12, 2018 and December 19, 2018, seconded by Council Member Kitchen. The motion carries 3-0.

Citizen Communication: General

2. Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed two minutes to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda (limit of 10 speakers).

Gus Pena spoke regarding concerns at the ARCH and housing homeless Veterans. Maram Museitif spoke regarding the Central Health Board Appointment. Steve Harold spoke regarding concerns at the ARCH.

Discussion and Possible Action

3. Nominate candidates for two Public Sector and one Private Sector appointments to the Community Development Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Garza spoke about the Community Development Commission and the related Council resolution. The Health & Human Services Committee voted 3-0 to recommend bringing the resolution to appoint Council Member Harper-Madison, Mayor Pro Tem Garza or an appointed representative as the two public sector representatives, and Karen Paup as the private sector representative.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding recommendations for an appointment of member(s) to the Central Health Board of Managers.

The Committee went into closed session to discuss this matter.

Briefing

5. Briefing Update on the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless (ARCH)

The Committee requested an update on the timeline for the ARCH and did not require a formal briefing. Adrienne Sturrup, Assistant Director of Austin Public Health responded to questions from the Committee and provided information related to the timeline.



6. Update on status of fiscal year 2018-2019 budget funding for the clean-up of encampments for the homeless population.

Jose Guerrero, Assistant Director and Ramesh Swaminathan, Managing Engineer of the Watershed Department gave a briefing to the Committee on the initial steps the department has taken regarding encampment cleanups. Direction was given to staff for regular updates to the HHS Committee.

7. Executive Session - Discuss the appointment of members to the Central Health Board of Managers (Personnel matters - Section 551.074 of the Government Code) Conducted

Future Items

8. Discussion of future agenda items.

The Committee identified the following future agenda items: Homelessness Initiatives Updates, Update on the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless (ARCH), Encampment Cleanup Pilot, and the Dove Springs Health Center.

Adjourned at 3:38 pm

These minutes were approved at the April 10, 2019 Health and Human Services Committee meeting on Council Member Tovo's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Garza's second on a 4-0 vote.