



**DACC ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
FRIDAY, June 7, 2019**

**The Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) Advisory Board convened in a regular meeting on Friday, June 7, 2019 in Austin, Texas.**

**Board Members in Attendance: Kate Garza, Susan Requejo, Darilynn Cardona-Beiler, Gary Ponder, Kergin Bedell, Jason English, Ann Howard, Andrew Williams, Lea Downey Gallatin**

**Staff in Attendance: Pamela Sigman, Pete Valdez, Jeremy Myers, Jennifer Sowinski, Dahlia Martinez, Martha Chapa, Robert Kingham, Nancy Pounds, Scott Davis, Cody Andrews**

**Darilynn Cardona-Beiler called the Board Meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.**

- 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:** 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.
  - a. None
- 2. APPROVAL OF MAY 2019 MEETING MINUTES-Correction to Board Member Lea Downey-Gallatin name spell noted under New Business, Item f.** Board Member Gary Ponder moved to approve the May 17, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion was second by Board Member Jason English. Motion passed by a 9-0 vote.
- 3. AUSTIN HOMELESSNESS CLIENT FEEDBACK: Individuals sharing first-hand account regarding their experiences being served through Austin's homelessness system.** The first five (5) speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will be allowed a three minutes allotment to provide their feedback to the Board.
  1. Weston Richmond – ARCH Feedback
  2. Thomas Woodward – Chronic Mentally Ill and ARCH
  3. Stephen Potter – Issues Impacting Homelessness & Coordinated Case Management
- 4. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Storage Recommendations for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness– Austin Homelessness Advisory Council & Office of Design and Delivery (Cardona-

Beiler/Gallatin)- Several speakers spoke on the issues regarding lack of storage lockers for the homeless. A recommendation by the Austin Homeless Advisory Council was presented to the Board Members. Board Member Ann Howard moved that we recommend to the City Council that they consider funding for storage for individuals experiencing homelessness in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget process. Second by Board Member Kate Garza. Motion passed by a 9-0 vote.

- b. Downtown Austin Community Court Funded Program Presentation – Front Steps (Requejo/Ponder)- Greg McCormick reported about the partnership with DACC providing permanent supportive housing for 10 years and the 20 DACC utilizers.that have been housed through this partnership.
- c. Coordinated Assessment Data and Process (Cardona-Beiler/Ponder)
  - i. Ending Community Homelessness Coalition-Preston Petty presented the principles behind Coordinated Entry.
  - ii. Ben King, Ph.D., Research Scientist Dell Medical School-Ben King spoke on the SPDAT Series that was developed as a pre-screening tool for communities that were too busy and did not have the resources to conduct a full SPDAT assessment for every client.
  - iii. Downtown Austin Community Court-Pete Valdez, Jennifer Sowinski and Robert Kingham presented the Coordinated Assessment Data and Process for the court.

## **5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. New Business
  - i. Expansion of Shelter Status Report (Cardona-Beiler/Requejo)-No discussion or action taken on this item.
  - ii. Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Mapping Project Update (Cardona-Beiler/Howard)-No discussion or action taken on this item.
- b. Old Business
  - i. Homeless Assistance Audit Series (Cardona-Beiler/Gates)-No discussion or action taken on this item.
  - ii. City Ordinance Review (sit/lie, camping, solicitation) (Cardona-Beiler/Gallatin)-No discussion or action taken on this item.

**ADJOURN:** Board Member Darilynn Cardona-Beiler adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m. without objection.