



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2020**

The City Council of Austin, Texas, convened in a special called meeting on Thursday, July 9, 2020 via. video conference.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 10 a.m.

BRIEFINGS

1. Briefing and discussion on matters related Covid-19.
Briefing was given by Dr. Mark Escott, Interim Health Officer, Austin Public Health; Lauren Meyers, PhD, Professor of Integrative Biology, University of Texas at Austin; Stephanie Hayden, Director, Austin Public Health.

Direction was given to staff to create a strike team or task force to address concerns and needs of the immigrant communities.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

2. Discussion and possible action on an ordinance declaring a site that fails to meet certain standards designed to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 between humans as a nuisance, authorizing civil enforcement, and declaring an emergency. Council Sponsors: Mayor Steve Adler, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Kathie Tovo, Council Member Paige Ellis, Mayor Pro Tem Delia Garza.
Ordinance No. 20200709-002 was approved on Council Member Casar's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.
3. Discussion and possible action on an ordinance authorizing the health authority to adopt rules to protect individuals from COVID-19, creating an offense and penalty, and declaring an emergency. Council Sponsors: Mayor Steve Adler, Council Member Gregorio Casar, Council Member Kathie Tovo, Council Member Paige Ellis, Mayor Pro Tem Delia Garza.
Ordinance No. 20200709-003 was approved on Council Member Casar's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Garza's second on an 11-0 vote.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 1:31 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 29th day of July 2020 on Mayor Pro Tem Garza's motion, Council Member Pool's second on a 10-0 vote. Mayor Adler was off the Dias.