



**DACC ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, September 18, 2020**

The Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) Advisory Board convened in a special meeting on Friday, September 18, 2020 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Darilynn Cardona-Beiler called the Board Meeting to order at 10:05am.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Darilyn Cardona-Beiler, Vice-Chair Lea Downey-Gallatin, Jason English, Kate Garza, Ann Howard, Gary Ponder, and Susan Requejo

Staff in Attendance: Pete Valdez, Jennifer Sowinski, Chris Anderson, Judge Coffey, Laura Williamson, and Edna Staniszewski

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2020 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MINUTES**

- a. Board Member Gary Ponder moved to approve the July 10, 2020 meeting minutes. Board Member Kate Garza seconded the motion. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Status of DACC operations during COVID-19, changes in operations, any new trends noticed. (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin) – Pete Valdez, Court Administrator, Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) – DACC continues to work with a skeleton crew but we have relocated temporarily to Terrazas Library as of August 17, 2020. The added space has given DACC an opportunity to have more clients wait in the lobby area rather than outside in the heat. The unit continues to serve over 70 clients per day.
- b. Public Space Management initiatives and strategies related to homeless encampments” (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin) – Ramesh Swaminathan, Engineer, Watershed Protection – An update on Watershed Impacts, Pilot Project, Citywide Coordination, and Covid Posture was presented to the Board.
- c. Update on Coordinated Entry prioritization strategies (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin) – Preston Petty, Coordinated Entry Program Director, ECHO – An update on Coordinated Entry, DACC Participation, and Evaluations and Equity was presented to the Board.
- d. Election of Officers (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin)
 - Board Member Susan Requejo nominated Darilynn Cardona-Beiler to continue as chair. Board Member Kate Garza seconded the motion. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

- Board Member Kate Garza nominated Lea Downey-Gallatin to continue as Vice-Chair. Board Member Gary Ponder seconded the motion. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. City Ordinance Review (sit/lie, camping, solicitation) (CardonaBeiler/Gallatin)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Barb Poppe's Austin Investing for Results Report. Officers (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Darilynn Cardona-Beiler adjourned the meeting at 11:32am without objection.