



Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities (MCPD) Regular Meeting Minutes April 9, 2021

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Regular MEETING MINUTES (April 09, 2021)

The City of Austin, Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities convened in a regular meeting via video conference on April 09, 2021 with a live broadcast on ATXN.

CALL TO ORDER: With quorum present Chair Jonathan Franks called the April 09, 2021 meeting of the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities to order at 5:30pm

Committee Members in Attendance: Chair Jonathan Franks, Vice Chair Emily Shryock, Kathryn Broadwater, Diane Kearns-Osterweil, Robin Orlowski, Deborah Trejo
ABSENT: Commissioners: Gene Brooks, Taurean Burt, Joey Gidseg

Staff in Attendance: David Ondich ADA Program Administrator Lee Nguyen ADA Program HR Specialist, Co Staff Liaison MCPD in person.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Emily Shryock made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2021 MCPD Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robin Orlowski. The motion passed 6-0.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: No citizen communication took place during the April 9, 2021 MCPD Regular Meeting.

Chair Jonathan Franks moved item 3A a presentation up on the agenda. For a summary of the item please see item 3A.

2. NEW BUSINESS:

2A. Discussion and action: Elections to Select MCPD 2021 Officers –Full Committee
Staff Liaison facilitated the election process, and Jonathan Franks self-nominated for Chair.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Diane Kearns-Osterweil to nominate Jonathan Franks for MCPD Chair. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robin Orlowski. The motion passed 6-0.

Robin Orlowski nominated Emily Shryock for MCPD Vice Chair

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Robin Orlowski to nominate Emily Shryock for MCPD Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah Trejo. The motion passed 6-0. To view the discussion and election process in full including commissioners' comments in their entirety please visit:

<https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 2A.

2B. Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution Acknowledging Impacts of the February 2021 Texas Winter Power Outage on People with Disabilities – Commissioner Orlowski and Chair Franks

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Robin Orłowski to adopt the resolution Acknowledging Impacts of the February 2021 Texas Winter Power Outage on People with Disabilities. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Deborah Trejo and passed 6-0. To view the discussion in full including commissioners' comments in their entirety please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 2B.

- 2C. Discussion regarding the posting of minutes Commissioner Burt and full committee. The discussion was tabled by Chair Franks as Commissioner Burt was not present at this meeting.
- 2D. Discussion to review all current and proposed MCPD appointments to City Advisory Committees – Full committee. To view the discussion in full, including commissioners' comments in their entirety please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 2D.
- 2E. Discussion and possible action: to appoint an MCPD Commissioner to the Project Connect Advisory Committee. Kathryn Broadwater nominated herself with Commissioner Diane Kearns-Osterweil nominating herself as backup
- Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Kathryn Broadwater to nominate herself to the Project Connect Advisory Committee as the main appointed member. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Diane Kearns-Osterweil nominating herself as the alternate and passed 6-0. To view the discussion in full, including commissioners' comments in their entirety please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 2G.
- 2F. Discussion and possible action: to appoint an MCPD Commissioner to the Hate Crimes Taskforce – Full Committee.
- Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Deborah Trejo to nominate to the Hate Crime Taskforce Commissioner Gidseg. The Motion was seconded by Commissioner Robin Orłowski and passed 6-0. To view the discussion in full, including commissioners' comments in their entirety please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 2F.
- 2G. Discussion and possible action: to appoint an MCPD Commissioner to the winter Storm Review Taskforce – Full Committee. Chair Franks announced he had already been appointed. To view the discussion in full, including commissioners' comments in their entirety please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 2G.

3. STAFF PRESENTATIONS AND COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 3A. Presentation by Hannah Barron of COA Smart Mobility Office and John Petrous of Tappy Guide regarding beta testing of smart mobility app. To view the presentation in its entirety including commissioners' comments, please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 3A
- 3B. Announcement by Commissioner Robin Orłowski regarding appointment of a citizen outside of commissioners to the Joint Inclusion Committee (JIC). Commissioner Orłowski communicated to strike this item from the agenda.
- 3C. Announcement by David Ondich, ADA Program Administrator regarding transfer of Staff Liaison duties to the Office of Civil Rights. To view the announcement in its entirety along with commissioners' comments, please visit: <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 3C

4. Future Agenda Items:

- 4A. Commissioner Taurean Burt Discussion on posting of minutes
- 4B. Chair Franks update on Winter Storm Taskforce, please visit:
- 4C. Commissioner Deborah Trejo discussion on outside committee updates

- 4D. Staff presentations regarding Austin Energy and Austin Water emergency preparations as it impacts people with disabilities.
To view all agenda items and <https://austintx.new.swagit.com/videos/118390> and view item 4
- 4E. Staff presentation from Civil Rights Officer Carol Johnson with update on Disability Quality of Life Study.

5. Adjournment

Commissioner Robin Orlowksi made a motion to adjourn the April 09, 2021 MCPD Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Emily Shryock. The motion passed 6-0. The April 09, 2021 regular called meeting of the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities adjourned at 6:51p.m.