



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX and via Videoconference.

Mayor Pro Tem Alter called the Council Meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Mayor Adler and Council Members Harper-Madison and Renteria attended via videoconference.

A. PRE-SELECTED AGENDA ITEMS

B. BRIEFINGS

- B1. Update from the Office of Violence Prevention
Presentation was made by Stephanie Hayden-Howard, Assistant City Manager, Michelle Myles, Manager, Office of Violence Prevention

B. COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

55. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to conduct a fact-finding study on the adoption, use, and holding of Bitcoin or other cryptocurrencies by the City of Austin. Council Sponsors: Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, Council Member Ann Kitchen, Mayor Steve Adler.
57. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to foster an environment in Austin that supports the creation and development of new innovations, such as blockchain and other Web3 related technologies, protocols, and applications. Council Sponsors: Mayor Steve Adler, Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, Council Member José 'Chito' Vela, Council Member Paige Ellis, Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison.

D. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mayor Pro Tem Alter recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 11:44 a.m.

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and

personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

- E1.** Discuss legal issues related to Wylie “Scooter” Cheatham et al v. City of Austin Mayor Steve Adler et al, Cause No. D-1-GN-22-001009 in the 201st Judicial District, Travis County, Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Conducted

- E2.** Discuss legal issues related to Jennifer Virden v. City of Austin, Cause No. 1:21-cv-00271-RP in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division (Private consultation with legal counsel – Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Conducted

- E3.** Discuss legal issues related to Acuna et al v. City of Austin et al, Cause No. D-1-GN-19-008617 in the 201st Judicial District of Travis County, Texas; City of Austin et al v. Acuna et al, No.14-20-00356-CV in the Fourteenth Court of Appeals, Harris County, Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel – Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Conducted

- E4.** Discuss the employment, duties, compensation and evaluation of the City Manager (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Withdrawn

Executive Session ended and Mayor Pro Tem Alter adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 7th day of April 2022 on Council Member Pool’s motion, Council Member Kelly’s second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Harper-Madison was absent.