



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2022**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX and via Videoconference.

Mayor Adler called the Council Meeting to order at 10:24 a.m. Council Member Harper-Madison attended virtually.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- 6. Management Services Approve a resolution ratifying a Declaration of Local State of Disaster in response to concerns related to confirmed and probable orthopoxvirus/monkeypox cases in Texas and in Austin-Travis County; and consenting to continuation of the disaster declaration for a period of more than seven days. An emergency exists under Section 551.045 of the Government Code because the current outbreak of orthopoxvirus/monkeypox cases within Austin-Travis County represents an imminent threat to public health and safety.**

Resolution No. 20220811-006 was approved on consent on Council Member Kelly's motion, Council Member Fuentes' second on a 10-1 vote. Council Member Kelly voted nay.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- 1. Discussion regarding the City of Austin Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Proposed Budget, including process and procedures.**

The Homeless Encampment Cleanup was conducted by Dianna Grey, Homeless Strategy Officer; Ken Snipes, Director of Austin Resource Recovery; Jorge Morales, Director of Watershed Protection Department; Kim McKneely, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department; James Snow, Interim Director of Public Works.

Direction was given to Austin Resource Recovery staff to provide Mayor and Council a copy of the cleanup notification procedures. To provide information on how and if surrounding counties assist with funding cleanup efforts.

Direction to Dianna Grey to provide information for each Heal Site, to provide which department is lead for placemaking, and from each department provide what funds are available for placemaking in a location.

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 1:18 p.m.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION CONTINUED

1. Discussion regarding the City of Austin Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Proposed Budget, including process and procedures.

Direction was given to staff to provide Mayor and Council a projection if they are to set a tax rate of 45/19 as originally proposed versus the 46/27. To provide information over the transfer of sworn positions within APD. For AFD to provide response time data for Canyon Creek and Goodnight Ranch Fire Stations.

A request for information on wages for sworn employees versus civilian employees within Public Safety departments.

Direction was given to Economic Development Department to provide information dating back to 2019 on what the department is using to fund Workforce Development with, ARPA funds or general funds.

Direction was given to staff that the position of a Veteran Services Coordinator report to the management services department.

PARKS AND RECREATION

2. Approve an ordinance waiving City Code Section 25-1-502 related to Planning Commission review of parkland dedication requirements for commercial developments.
Withdrawn

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS

3. Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 25-1 to require parkland dedication for commercial developments.
This item was postponed to August 17, 2020 on Mayor Pro Tem Alter's motion without objection.

The Mayor recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 4:32 p.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.

- 4. Discuss legal issues related to budget matters (Private Consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code). Conducted.**
- 5. Discuss legal issues related to the November 8, 2022 election (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code). Conducted.**

Executive Session ended and the Mayor reconvened and adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 13th day of October 2022 on Council Member Fuentes' motion, Council Member Vela's second on a 11-0 vote.