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(TOVO) It is November 28. We have a quorum, with Council Member Fuentes present, and Council Member Kitchen calling in, I will call this meeting of the Public Health Committee to order and we will start by approving the minutes from our meeting of October 6,

we are scheduled to go into executive session for personal reasons here today, but we're going to begin by approving by calling. For an approval. A motion on the minutes of the public health committee that we held on October 6th. Face chair. Fuentes

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moves approval council member kitchen seconds that any conversation discussion all in favor. And that is unanimous on the dias with mayor Adler and council member harper-madison off the dais. Do we have any public communications any any individual signed up? Very good. Welcome, Mr Pena. We'll hear from you now and you'll have three minutes. Good morning. For the record. My name is Gustavo Pino. Ah, I grew up in east Austin. I'm looking at the, the agenda today of regarding fentanyl. One of the things that we had to change at the V. A clinic. That's where I get my medication. And health care. Is that. They would not

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give any more fentanyl over there. And that was great. That was the best move that anybody could do. And why. Some hospitals. Failed to do without it. Fentanyl is very, very vicious. A little bit. More vicious than hydro code on but when you have the pain, you have to have some relief, but I'm glad there at least y'all I'm pretty sure that not just today you all are aware of what's happening out there. As far as fentanyl is going on. I really had two people. Three weeks ago and about five weeks ago. Send him to the hospital regarding fentanyl, and I told them do not take tell my veterans do not take fentanyl. And here we are again. With the problem with

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fentanyl. And I just wanted to make sure and I'm pretty sure that you all are aware of that never should have had fentanyl and why. The makers of this, this bad bad. Fentanyl is should have never happened. But anyway, I'll leave it at that. I just don't want to make sure and I'm pretty sure that you are sure. That

this is hurting a lot of people and I'm glad it's taking it off the shelves. And, I lost a veteran to fentanyl. Three weeks ago. And, it's pretty tough. To oh, lose a friend. Combat. Vietnam veteran just like me. But I just don't leave it at that. And thank you very much. And thank you for taking this issue. Central fentanyl because it is dangerous and it

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shouldn't happen. Thank you very much. Thank you, Mr Pena, and we certainly send our condolences to you and others. The loss of your friend. Colleagues said is our last item are last individual who signed up to speak in public communications today. And so we have just one order of business before us today, and that's number two. The discussion impossible action regarding reviewing applications to fill the vacancy on the central health board of directors and so, we're now going to go into executive session into closed session to take up one item. Pursuant to section 55107 for the government code. The committee is going to discuss personnel matters related to discussing this election of members to the central health board of directors.

Are there any objections to going into executive session on the item announced seeing and hearing none. The committee will now go into executive session, which we're going to hold virtually and I want to note that mayor Adler has now joined us on the dais. And we'll be back when

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we've concluded thank you.

(Executive Session)

Council Member Kathie Tovo, and we have now concluded are closed session of the public health committee in closed session. We discussed personnel matters related to item three. The committee will be calling a special called meeting for Monday. At which

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point we will interview three candidates and then make recommendations to the full council. So see you on next Monday. Thank you all.

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