



## **Austin-Travis County Food Policy Board**

## **MEETING MINUTES November 14th, 2022**

The Austin-Travis County Food Policy Board (ATCFPB) convened a on Monday November 14<sup>th</sup> at the City of Austin Permitting and Development Center, 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr, Room 2103, Austin, TX 78752.

### **Board Members in Attendance:**

Andrea Abel, Lisa Barden, Joi Chevalier (joined at 6:13), Frances Deviney, Kacey Hanson, Cecilia Hogan, Karen Magid, Sharon Mays (joined at 6:18), Rosamaria Murillo, Errol Schweizer

### **Board Members Absent:**

Adrian Lipscombe

### **Staff in Attendance:**

Edwin Marty (City of Austin), Amanda Rohlich, Emily Ackland (Travis County)

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Pro Tempore Karen Magid called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

none

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER MEETING**

1. Board Member Kacey Hanson motioned to approve the meeting minutes with Board Member Errol Schweizer seconding the motion. Minutes passed on a 9-0 vote.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2. Presentation by Mark Bethell, Executive Director, Sustainable Food Center

### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

3. Discussion and take possible action on selecting ATCFPB representative to serve on Community Advisory Committee for Food Planning
  - a. The board discussed potential roles
    - i. (Will serve as Board Liaison) Karen Magid – experience with planning process from participation in the Climate Equity Plan, weighing feasibility, stepped in equity work, lots of experience here in Austin. Cleared other commitments to make space for this work. Opportunity presented here is similar if not greater.
    - ii. (Will serve as alternate to Karen Magid) Errol Schweizer – complimentary skill set to Karen. Supply chain and retail expert. Put name in hat because he really wants the City and County to take supply chain seriously. The impact of Winter Storm Uri really highlighted the vulnerability of our supply chain.
    - iii. (Withdrew nomination) Dr. Rosamaria Murillo – creating access to healthy food is both a personal and professional mission. She brings to the process 20+ years working at national, state, and local level in policymaking. Leading and translating policy into programs. She also brings the experience of leading one of the largest food pantries in Central Texas. She has experience being on the

frontline with people with lived experiences who are negatively impacted by the food system.

- b. An issue to take to the CAC is how we can encourage full participation
  - c. Kacey Hanson moves to nominate Karen Magid to be liaison member to the CAC for the Food Planning Process, with Frances Deviney seconded motion, passing on a 10-0 vote.
  - d. Kacey Hanson moves to nominate Errol Schweizer as the alternate to the CAC for the Food Planning Process, passing on a 10-0 vote.
4. Discussion and take possible action on strategic planning meeting
    - a. See back-up materials for presentation on highlighted priorities
  5. Joint Sustainability Committee update
    - a. JSC is going to vote on increasing solar credits
    - b. Remove incentive to encourage builders to remove gas from new builds
  6. Review Board Member assignments
    - a. Errol Schweizer requesting support from Board Members for Good Food Purchasing Program lobbying and advocacy. Errol will send Amanda some information to share with all board members.
      - i. Errol will connect directly with Joi Chevalier who expressed willingness to help. Errol will also connect directly with Adrian Lipscombe to discuss Comm. Shea engagement.
    - b. Errol requests all board members look into M. Jahi Chappel's book, "[Beginning to End Hunger](#)", the story of Belo Horizonte, Brazil and the food security program the City launched in 1993.
    - c. Amanda to send Program Manager 1 position from EDD (Carol's old position reclassified to a higher pay grade): [Jobs @ City of Austin | Program Manager I - Local Industry Development \(austincityjobs.org\)](#)
    - d. ALL Leaders of priorities and supporting members meet and determine general focus and be ready to report out at December meeting
    - e. All board members to reach out to Frances Deviney with any comments on the upcoming Joint Sustainability Committee votes regarding the Resolution on [Texas Gas Service Conservation Programs](#) and [Resolution on Value of Solar Tariff](#)

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

7. Regular business

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Vice-Chair Joi Chevalier adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm.

**The meeting minutes were approved at the December 12, 2022 meeting on Board Member Karen Magid's motion, Board Member Lisa Barden's second with at 8-0 vote.**