



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2023**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX and via Videoconference.

Mayor Pro Tem Ellis called the Council Meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. Mayor Watson attended virtually.

**A. PRE-SELECTED AGENDA ITEMS**

NONE

**B. BRIEFINGS**

**B1. February 2023 Winter Weather Situational Update.**

**The update was conducted by Jackie Sargent, General Manager, Austin Energy; Stuart Reilly, Chief of Staff, Austin Energy.**

**Direction was given to staff to consider language access and ensure that communication is being provided in multilingual. Moving forward look into a multi-system to coordinate with all entities, i.e. Energy/Water/Gas. Direction was given to the City Manager to improve inclement weather communications with organization staff in a timely manner.**

**Direction was given to staff to provide district specific outage information and contact information to district offices to help dispatch resources, dispatch community groups, and activate activists in our area to better inform and communicate with constituents that are not receiving pertinent information.**

**C. COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

NONE

**D. COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

NONE

**Mayor Pro Tem Ellis recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 11:25 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 Ida Renae Nobles, et al v. Richard Egal and Maxwell Johnson, Cause No. 1:19-cv-00389-ML, 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).
- E2.** Discuss legal issues related to Jason Gallagher v. City of Austin et al, Cause No. 1:20-cv-00901-RP in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division; Steven Arawn v. City of Austin et al, Cause No. 1:20-cv-01118-RP in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division; and Nicole Underwood v. City of Austin et al, Cause No. 1:20-cv-00032 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).
- E3.** Discuss legal issues related to City of Austin 2023 labor contract negotiations (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code).
- E4.** Discuss legal issues related to a potential election in May 2023 concerning civilian police oversight (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

**Executive Session ended and Mayor Pro Tem Ellis adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m. without objection.**

**The minutes were approved on this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2023 on consent without objection.**