



**DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR CALLED MEETING
MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2023**

The DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY BOARD convened in a REGULAR CALLED meeting on 20, JANUARY 2023, at 505 BARTON SPRINGS RD in Austin, Texas.

Chair Lea Downey Gallatin called the DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY BOARD Meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance: *Lea Downey Gallatin, Chair; Darilynn Cardona-Beiler, Vice Chair; Sylvia Alvarado*

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: *Kergin Bedell; Jason English; Nicole Golden; Jocelyn Schwartz*

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- Bill Brice spoke about Pete's retirement and thanking him for his service.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the DOWNTOWN AUSTIN COMMUNITY COURT ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING on NOVEMBER 18, 2022.
The minutes from the meeting of November 18, 2022 were approved on Board Member Jocelyn Schwartz motion, Board Member Jason English second on a (7-0) vote.

AUSTIN HOMELESSNESS SYSTEM FEEDBACK

2. Individuals sharing first-hand account regarding their experiences being served through Austin's homelessness system. Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will be allowed a three-minute allotment to provide their feedback to the Board.
 - No speakers

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. Status of DACC operations (Downey Gallatin/ Cardona-Beiler) – Pete Valdez, Court Administrator, Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC)
 - The relocation of Violet KeepSake to the Old Municipal building was successful.
 - The entire 450-bin inventory was moved to the ground floor.
 - Items are disposed of after 90 days if there has been no action and the client cannot be found via other services or outreach. Any identification documents will be retrieved and kept at DACC.
 - DACC sees about 50 walk-in clients per day.
 - When an individual comes in for walk-in case management services, if they have an open case, we will get them into court to resolve their case prior to receiving case management services.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

4. Downtown Austin Community Court jurisdiction. (Downey Gallatin/Cardona-Beiler) Jaclyn Gerban, Assistant City Attorney
 - No action taken. At next meeting, discuss forming a workgroup to make a proposal to Council on the geographic area that they can address to the city law department.
5. Homelessness mapping initiative. (Downey Gallatin/Cardona-Beiler) – Patricia Barrera, Business Process Consultant Senior, Emergency Medical Services
 - A joint effort between HOST, EMS, and APD.
 - Prototype assessment to determine which services the city should prioritize.
 - Clean up mitigation, where the population concentrated.
 - Coordinate departmental efforts.
 - Question: Is there going to be APD enforcement? They will check before taking any action.
 - Data is gathered from a variety of sources, including the city departments.
6. Election of Vice-Chair. (Downey Gallatin/Cardona-Beiler) – Robert Kingham
 - No action taken. Item moved to March meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Darilynn Cardona-Beiler assumed the presiding officer role and adjourned the meeting at 9:05 a.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the March 24, 2023 meeting on Board Member Jocelyn Schwartz motion, Board Member Sylvia Alvarado second on a (6-0) vote.