



## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE**

Date: May 23, 2022

### **Agenda Item: #2**

Agenda Item: *Discussion and possible action on a proposed resolution for Council consideration regarding mental health first aid*

### **Vote**

*3-0 [Committee members present are Council Member Vanessa Fuentes (chair) Council Member Jose Velasquez (co-chair), and Mayor Kirk Watson]*

### **Sponsors/Department:**

Sponsors: Council Member Vanessa Fuentes & Council Member Jose Velasquez

### **Summary of Discussion**

Public Health Committees' agenda topics focused on mental health. The body received presentations regarding mental health on the impact to the community, and how partner agencies are providing local resources, training and responses to mitigate harm and incarceration of those experiencing mental illness from Community Advancement Network (CAN) Executive Director Raul Alvarez, Assistant Director Laura LaFuente, Justice and Planning and Health and Human Services with Travis County as well as the Austin Travis County Emergency Medical Services Department.

### **Direction**

The Committee recommends passage of a proposed resolution for full Council regarding mental health first aid.

### **Recommendation:**

On a 3-0 vote, the Committee recommends sending item to full Council was made on Council Member Fuentes's motion, Mayor Watson's second on a 3-0 vote.