

## Joint Inclusion Committee FY23-24/FY24-25 Budget Process

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**Budget Workshop:** This is a special workshop, jointly organized by the Budget Office & Equity Office, that invites all budget workgroups from all ten commissions to attend and meet face to face with the department leadership and their staff from the City Departments whom y'all have submitted budget recommendations to. This event offers commissioners an opportunity to strengthen relationships with department leadership, and question priorities and question if, where, and how your budget recommendations have been approved and incorporated or rejected.

City Departments normally in attendance include: Austin Public Health, Parks & Recreation Department, Austin Transportation Department, Austin Housing & Planning Department, Communications & Public Information Office, Economic Development Department, Austin Public Library, and more!

- Saturday, September 16th, 2023 from 11am to 1pm

**Budget Town Halls:** Last year, we could these “Quality-of-Life Town Halls.” These events are the only formal community outreach that commissions organize every year. These town halls invite members of the public to come and share the most important issues impacting their lives, which will help shape budget recommendations for FY24-25 which are due at the end of March 2024. These events also provide an opportunity to let members of the public influence the advocacy priorities for all commissions. ***These town halls are only successful if commissioners help organize, spread the word, and help get people to attend.***

- Wednesday, October 18th, 2023 - **Budget Town Hall #1** for the public (Evening/Night-time Dinner Event, 6:30pm - 8:00pm) HOSTED IN PERSON
- Thursday, October 26th, 2023 - **Budget Town Hall #2** for the public (Day-time/Lunch Event, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm) HOSTED VIRTUALLY ONLY
- Saturday, November 4th, 2023 - **Budget Town Hall #3** for the public (Weekend/Saturday Event, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm) HOSTED IN PERSON
- Pending approval from the Budget Office on a 4<sup>th</sup> Town Hall hosted VIRTUALLY ONLY