



**REGULAR MEETING of the EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2023, 8:30 A.M.  
CITY HALL, BOARD AND COMMISSION ROOM #1101  
301 WEST SECOND STREET  
AUSTIN, TEXAS**

**Some members of the Early Childhood Council may be participating by videoconference.**

Public comment will be allowed in person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once, either in person or remotely, and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Caitlin Oliver, Program Coordinator, Austin Public Health, at 512-972-6205 or [Caitlin.Oliver@austintexas.gov](mailto:Caitlin.Oliver@austintexas.gov).

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**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first five speakers to register prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Early Childhood Council Regular Meeting on August 12, 2023

**STAFF BRIEFINGS**

2. Updates from Caitlin Oliver, Austin Public Health (APH), regarding community meetings about child care at Civitan Neighborhood Park and the Dove Springs Public

Health Facility, and a Back-to-School Children's Mental Health Forum hosted by Integral Care and APH

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

3. Updates from related groups (as needed), including Austin Chapter of the Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Austin ISD, Child Care Regulation, Child Inc, E3 Alliance, Success By 6 Coalition, Workforce Solutions Capital Area, and other groups in attendance
4. Presentation from Alyssa Tharrett, Parks and Recreation Department (PARD), with an overview of the Feasibility Study: Intergenerational Resource and Activity Center Pilot Program at the Nash Hernandez Building
5. Discussion about the comments provided to the ECC by Austin-Travis County family-based child care providers at the ECC Regular Meeting on August 12, 2023
6. Updates from the ECC Budget Committee and Joint Inclusion Committee (JIC) representatives regarding the JIC Budget Workshop held on September 9, 2023

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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